From: Marshall Park NA Chair

To: <u>Council Clerk – Testimony; Commissioner Rubio; Wheeler, Mayor</u>

Cc: Ralph M Cohen; Russ Albertson; John DeLance

Subject: Proposed sale of Taylors Ferry property in Marshall Park neighborhood.

Date: Monday, May 23, 2022 12:51:42 PM

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The Marshall Park Neighborhood Association has just become aware of a proposal for Parks to sell the property at **1610-1612 SW Taylors Ferry Road**. And this will be up for approval at the council meeting this week, under agenda item **#443**.

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On the other hand, if Parks have abandoned the plan for a this new trail into Marshall park, this is very disappointing. Currently, the most direct access point for pedestrians coming from North of Taylors Ferry, is the trailhead on SW 18th. However, I live on SW 18th so I know it is a very perilous road for pedestrians. SW 18th is steep, curvy, and has zero pedestrian space. We've asked Parks and PBOT to cut back the overgrown vegetation on SW 18th but so far they have done nothing! Pedestrians, runners, dog-walkers have no option but to walk in the roadway. The original proposal of a new trail from Taylors Ferry would give all those people on the North side of Taylors Ferry, a safer means of accessing beautiful Marshall Park.

Please consider these remarks.

Regards,

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From: Marshall Nbhd Assn

To: <u>Council Clerk – Testimony; Commissioner Rubio; Wheeler, Mayor; Long, Adena</u>

Cc: Ralph M Cohen; Russ Albertson; John DeLance

Subject: Re: Proposed sale of Taylors Ferry property in Marshall Park neighborhood.

Date: Tuesday, May 24, 2022 8:34:52 AM

Hello Commissioner Rubio and Mayor Wheeler,

Following up on my previous email (below).

We have learned additional information. Portland Parks Director Adena Long has notified SW Trails that Parks still intends to build a new trail into Marshall Park from the property on **1610-1612 SW Taylors Ferry Road.**

That being the case, Marshall Park NA has no objection to the sale of the property.

We would just ask that the city keeps us informed of the trail plans and progress, please: marshallparkna@yahoo.com

Thanks very much.

Mike Charles Chair, Marshall Park NA.

Sent from my iPhone

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