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Subject: [User Approved] Re: TSP amendment to bicycle classification on Hayden Is.

Thank you very much for your reply regarding the bike path around Waterside and Hayden Bay communities.

The thing that was most astounding to all of us was that we knew nothing about it, nor did people from Columbia Point or Waterside community and we're just stunned how it came out of nowhere.

As we walked the other night along the pathway from our condominium on Hayden Bay past the Red Lion to the Interstate Bridge, three abreast and holding hands, we could only marvel at the beauty and serenity and the feeling of safety that we didn't have to dodge any bicyclists.

We have also spent years walking along the path that runs beside and behind Jantzen Beach RV Park and Mobile Home Community. There is something to say about peace and serenity and the feeling of safety and the ability to stop and look at the water, watch the birds, the ducks, the geese and the squirrels as they enjoyed their peace and serenity.

We spent 12 years staying at the Jantzen Beach RV park and were always very happy to go on our walks along the waterfront and feel safe.

Yes, we do listen to the airplanes from the airport, the fighter jets, the trains, the opening and closing of the train bridge but it all became part of where we were living.

We choose not to walk along Marine Drive's path because we do not want to be dodging bicycles and other people in order to have a peaceful quiet existence.

There are miles and miles of bicycle paths in the city and I'm sure more to come but it is a shame to invade serenity.

We feel it is very wrong for the views and privacy living at the waters edge to be taken from anyone by building walking and biking paths that will just drop their land value and interrupt their peace and quiet.

There are so many places in the city that people already have access to ride and many places that will be made accessible but someone has to consider the fact that people choose to live in quiet places for reasons and enjoy every moment of their peace, quiet and serenity.

All I could think about the other evening while we were walking was what it would be like to have to dodge bicycles, more people walking, dogs that are quite often off their leashes.

Also the unfortunate fact that a good part of the people do not follow the rules that are set up for them.

If bicycles have the same rules as automobiles, they should be following the same rules as people who drive automobiles such as stopping at red lights, not riding on the sidewalk, and riding in crosswalks. This is for their safety and for the safety of pedestrians and motorists.

I say this as a person who used to ride my bicycle all over West Los Angeles and Santa Monica California when I was younger and I'm not against bicycle riders. I am against the entitlement that they feel when it comes to following rules.

I write this as I sit here looking out my window at the beauty of the water, the boats and still have the gnawing feeling of the upset that I feel when bicycles do come tearing down our path, even though it is posted everywhere that no bicycles or dogs off of leashes are allowed.

I shudder to imagine how many people will just have to explore where they're not supposed to go and wonder how they're going to keep this from happening as it is in our nature to want to see what is around the corner.

Thank you for your time and please consider all of the people who live along the water at Jantzen Beach and the guests that come to the Red Lion Hotel.

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