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PLEASE FORWARD TO THE URBAN DESIGN COMMISSIONERS FOR TODAY'S MEETING

Urban Design Commissioners:

The Madison Water Utility Plan being presented to you has changed from what members of the public and the Utility's own Citizen Advisory Panel have seen. I was a member of the CAP..

The proposed path location unnecessarily relocates the existing one and it's very close to adjacent homeowners. These homeowners will now become privy to every conversation that occurs as people use the new path. My guess is the Water Utility just wants more clearance around its new tower and wants to keep people away from it. But this is not how they have ever spoken about it in public and therefore seems like a ruse on their part.

The larger footprint and removal of more trees is also something that would have been great interest but was not presented to the public or the CAP. Another example of bait and switch?

It is my understanding that Dane County Parks doesn't like any of the new changes either, so I am at a loss as to how the Water Utility can bring this to your attention now when the property owner doesn't want it.

Lastly, as a project at the top of the highest point in Madison, the water runoff issue is huge. Immediately downhill from the water tower is the old County nurses form (connected with the old, adjacent tuberculosis sanatorium). This 1938 building is slated for demolition and the County has been told by the Madison Plan Commission that it needs a stormwater management plan before it can get approval. The County is now working on such a plan that includes the whole southeastern side of the hill, which includes the water tower. How can the Water Utility bring its project to you when there is no stormwater management plan in place.

Pleas defer any action on this item until a stormwater management plan is in place, County Parks is satisfied with the path (and kiosk) location, and the public has been informed of these new changes being proposed.

Sincerely, JIM POWELL

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