

Date: 11/9/22

CITY OF MADISON Registration Statement for BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

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Agenda No. <u>3</u>	File No. <u>74394</u>
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Name Sarah K. Larson

Address 1013 Chieftain Lookout

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- Support
- Oppose
- Neither Support Nor Oppose

- AND
- Wish to speak
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Public Hearing (Common Council)5 minutes
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Date _____

Signature _____

Print Name _____

Statement of Sarah K. Larson
Resident of 1013 Chieftain Lookout (Summit Woods Neighborhood)
In Opposition to Dog Friendly Designation for Zook Park
City of Madison Parks Commission Meeting—November 9, 2022
Agenda Item 15 (File #74470)

I'm Sarah Larson, and our family has lived on Chieftain Lookout, in the Summit Woods neighborhood, just 2 blocks from Zook Park, for over 20 years.

I already submitted my written opposition to the Parks Commission, opposing the dog friendly designation at Zook, but I appear here tonight to give voice to all children with disabilities in our city, including my autistic daughter. The need for reasonable accommodation for children with disabilities has been noticeably absent from the discussion on the dog friendly designation in our city parks, and I'm here to give voice to the voiceless.

Did you know that 15-20% of the children in Madison schools have disabilities? And of those disabilities, one of the most common is autism—which often comes with sensory differences, strong fears, and difficulty regulating or processing emotions—such that the mere sight of dogs can trigger a traumatic fight or flight response. This is what happens to my daughter.

Did you also know that, according to the Mayo and Cleveland Clinics, 10% of the US population has a fear of dogs, and 5-10% have a clinically significant or a pathological fear of dogs? These statistics mean that upwards of 20-25,000 Madisonians do not want dogs in our parks. In my small neighborhood of 725 residents, it means that at least 5-10 of the 120 children in our midst will not be able to come to the only park in our neighborhood with playground equipment, if this measure passes the parks commission.

I urge you to keep Zook Park a dog free park, as a reasonable accommodation for children with disabilities. I've seen the submissions of people who want dog friendly parks because their dogs are scared of going to the dog parks. Do you mean to tell me that the city is willing to accommodate a dog who is scared, but will not accommodate a child with a disability who is scared?

I've also seen the submissions of people who say they want their family to be able to come to a park where they can bring their dogs and their children, but those families have a choice. They can choose to go to another dog friendly park. They can also still choose to go to Zook Park, if they choose to leave their dog at home. But where is my daughter's choice? If dogs are allowed at Zook Park, she will not have a choice. She will effectively be excluded from the park altogether.

Please prioritize the needs and legal rights of children with disabilities over the desires of dog-owners, and keep Zook Park and other parks dog free as a reasonable accommodation for children with disabilities all over our city. Thank you.

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Name Courney Lindl *Marquette Neighborhood Assn*

Address 1012 Jennifer St
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Marquette Neighborhood Association
Board of Directors

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Signature 

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Miller, Nicole

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Thank you very much for listening to the letter I read last night from the Marquette Neighborhood Association Board of Directors in regards to amplified music at McPike park on school nights. Please find the letter attached for your reference.

Thank you again!
Courtney Lindl
Green Spaces and Trees Co- Chair
Marquette Neighborhood Association



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10-25-22

City of Madison
Parks Division

RE: Amplified music on school nights

Dear Board of Park Commissioners,

On August 31 and September 1 of this year, '2022 Sessions at McPike Park' was granted permits by the parks division of the City of Madison to have amplified live music play until 10P each night at McPike park. While our organization generally supports music festivals, we DO NOT support having festivals where amplified music is involved on days where there is school the following day.

Simply put, the music goes well past normal bedtimes for school aged children, and it can be very disruptive to sleep and thus impact individuals' performances at school the days after the festival. Since McPike park is centrally located and surrounded by residential housing, it is not unrealistic to suspect many households are impacted by the amplified music that are the cornerstones of these music events. There is no reason for the City of Madison to support functions that can cause this type of disruption.

To be clear, we are not objecting to music festivals at McPike Park in general, only when there is school the following days. We would ask the Parks Division to consider the impact these kinds of events have on the neighborhood when issuing permits and refrain from granting them when there is school the following day.

We appreciate your consideration and please let us know if you have any questions,

The Marquette Neighborhood Association Board of Directors