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Subject: Hartmeyer Natural Area Zoning

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Dear Plan Commission and Alders,

As Lead of the now-599- member "Nextdoor" Environmental Group, we ask that all 16 acres designated by the Council as Hartmeyer Natural Area/ with wetland and Green surrounding space, be zoned as CN to preserve the integrity of the natural area.

Also, related to this goal, the land which abuts this Natural Area space should NOT be re-zoned to allow buildings which exceed four stories in height. Anything higher than that would create more population-density pressure on the saved Natural Reserve.

Our ecosystem/climate has currently been recognized, nationally, as being in a state of "crisis" as opposed to "change." The old relentless push to develop as much natural area as possible should now be recognized as "regressive" and detrimental to what remains of our planet's ability to sustain life.

So let's acknowledge reality—and preserve the integrity of what has been set aside as the Hartmeyer Natural Area and the land that surrounds it.

Respectfully,

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