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Parks Long Range Planning Subcommittee Members:

Meeting on June 22, 2022

Item #7, 70448 Public Engagement Matrix Development

As a resident and user of Walnut Grove Park, I want to thank the Subcommittee members for including "Public Engagement..." as an important part of your work.

As you are aware, the proposed mountain bike course at Walnut Grove Park **did not have any public engagement** from Parks or any department until 5 days before the Board of Public Works asked the Common Council for approval to send the drawings out for bid. This lack of public involvement has been disheartening to neighbors and regular park users. Since this bike course would present a major change to the established uses of the park, everyone would have appreciated earlier involvement in the project.

I support your work in the development of the matrix and encourage you to include all of the steps outlined in "IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation".

Thank you for your dedication to Madison parks.

Janet Hirsch

District 9 Resident & Park User