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Members of the Common Council  
Members of the Plan Commission  
City of Madison  
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6/12/09

Re: Cowling Property, Shadywood Neighborhood

My grandparents purchased this land over 25 years ago. Our family has enjoyed the land for recreational uses over these years. As my grandmother is currently 92 years of age, I find myself serving as trustee for this land.

Your commission voted to give us 6 months in order to gather information and come to a compromise. I feel it necessary to have this time to be sure this land use plan will not devalue my grandmother's estate. I currently have no information regarding the impact of this plan on the value of her land.

The time you previously gave us will allow us to work toward a plan that we are all comfortable with. I have met with legal counsel regarding this matter, but desperately hope to resolve this in a way that accommodates the needs of the property owners and the desires of the city without hiring further counsel.

We all agree this land is beautiful and unique. It took millions of years for this land to reach its current state; giving us all a few months to help craft a plan for its future seems reasonable.

Thank you for your continued consideration,

  
Loveday Herrling

**Parks, Timothy**

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**From:** Judy Bowser [jabowser@wisc.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2009 3:45 PM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy  
**Subject:** Fwd: Shadywood Neighborhood Development Plan

Hi Tim,

After looking at this more closely, I'm not sure if you and all commissioners received this e-mail. If not, could you copy for everyone?

Thanks,  
Judy

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** LHerrling@aol.com  
**Date:** June 13, 2009 1:22:38 PM CDT  
**To:** jabowser@facstaff.wisc.edu  
**Subject:** Re: Shadywood Neighborhood Development Plan

Ms Bowser,

I regret that I won't be able to attend the Plan Commission meeting on Monday night. I understand the value of a personal appearance, but it seems I am unable to adjust my schedule.

My grandparents 40 acres of land in this neighborhood over 25 years ago. As my grandmother is currently 92, I find myself serving as trustee for this land.

Our land is in Phase B. I have no objections to the approval of Phase A, in fact I believe it to be a reasonable request by the property owner. The lands in the Shadywood Neighborhood all belong to the same geographic area, but perhaps don't really constitute a "neighborhood" in that the goals and land use plans for these areas are very different. Few would argue that much of the land in Phases B & C is not suited for the same type of development as Phase A. And so adopting only part of the plan, while unusual may be appropriate in this case to give us all more time to seek the right mix of uses that would suit the beauty and unique features of the land in Phases B&C.

Your commission voted two weeks ago to give us 6 months in order to gather information and come to a consensus between property owners and the city plan for our land. I am asking that you again grant that request on Monday night.

thank you for you continued consideration,  
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