

**From:** HANSONS  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 10:02 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Park Needed

Hello,

I am in strong favor of a park being built in this neighborhood. I have SOLD many homes in this area and they are in need of more parks and greenspace.

Thank you,

Tamie  
*[Tamie Hanson, Realtor](#)*  
*[The Stark Company](#)*



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**From:** Amy Rambow-Larsen  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 10:28 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Park in new Veridian development

I am writing to support putting a park in the new development going between Elderberry Rd. and Old Sauk Rd.

In order to reach any park in nearby subdivisions, children would have to cross a major road (Old Sauk, Pleasant View, or Mineral Point). These are not roads that elementary or middle school age children should be crossing without their parents, and increased pedestrian traffic across these roads could create a safety hazard.

In an age of too much screen time, and not enough outdoor exercise, it is essential that we provide public areas that are accessible from home on foot for children (and for adults). People shouldn't have to get in a car to get to a park.

Additionally, small local parks are a focal point for neighborhood social activity, and help people get to know their neighbors.

I was under the impression that developers in this area were required to put parks in their developments. If that is not the standard, it should be.

Thanks for hearing my opinion,

Amy Rambow-Larsen  
(Enchanted Valley neighborhood)

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**From:** Jordan Tack  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 10:37 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>; Molly Tack  
**Subject:** Veridian park between Elderberry and Old Sauk

Hi Tim -

I'm writing you to express me and my wife's support for Veridian's purposed park between Elderberry and Old Sauk.

We live in the new Autumn Ridge neighborhood and feel very unsafe when we walk down Elderberry with our two small children on our way to the parks in other neighborhoods.

There are dozens (and more moving in every month) of families with young kids in the few blocks around us. We are seeing many groups of kids who play on busy streets and create dangerous situations all because a park is not located close near by, or close near by with a safe method of getting there (IE side walks or bike lanes on busy roads).

Thank you and please let us know if you have any questions.

-Jordan and Molly Tack  
██████████ Bronze Leaf Ln

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**From:** Naifen Su  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 10:48 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Future Park Development in Madison/Middleton

Hi Mr. Park,

I support to build a new park between Elderberry and Old Sauk.

Thanks,

Nai-Fen Su, Ph.D.

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**From:** Tabitha Hansen  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 10:58 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Veridian Park in the Elderberry Neighborhood

Hi Tim,

I wanted to let you know that I am in favor of a park being on the far east side of the Veridian allotment of land. We live on Big Stone Trail and do not really have a park that we have easy access to from our neighborhood. We have 3 kids and would like to be able to walk to a park.

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Regards,

Tabitha Hansen  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Abby Wessling  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 11:00 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Favor of Park

Hi Tim -

As a resident of The Willows, I am in favor of Veridian building a park in Phase 1 of the new development between Elderberry and Old Sauk. I think this would benefit the entire community greatly.

Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Abby Lull  
[REDACTED] Big Stone Trail  
Middleton, WI [REDACTED]

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**From:** Sathish Kumar  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 11:01 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Building park between Elderberry and Old Sauk

Hi Tim Parks,

I am writing to support Veridian building a park in Phase 1 of their new development between Elderberry and Old Sauk.

Please do the needful

Thank you

Sathish Kumar

“Lack of will power has caused more failure than lack of intelligence or ability”  
— Flower A. Newhouse

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bill/Dian Taylor  
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 11:02 AM  
To: Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
Subject: Veridian

I live three miles west of the Middleton Airport and 1/3 mile north of Airport Road. I believe nearby, local town/city parks are a wonderful feature of living together. Children and adults need the outdoors for many reasons. When our children were children my wife took them to parks all over Middleton, Madison and Dane County. We took them to parks in Wisconsin and from Yellowstone NP to Grand Canyon NP to Jupiter Springs, Florida to Niagara Falls, NY (not a park but of scenic value!). Our goal should be, in my opinion, to have parkland growing faster than development or population, to make things better for the coming generations. I am 71.

Thanks for reading,  
Bill

██████████ Toepfer Road  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Dillon Lull  
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 11:08 AM  
To: Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
Subject: Park

Good Morning Tim,

Our family lives off of Big Stone Trail in The Willows and we are in favor of Veridian building a park in Phase 1 of their development taking place between Elderberry and Old Sauk Road. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Dillon Lull  
██████████ Big Stone Trail

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**From:** Clint Walkner  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 12:42 PM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Proposed Park

I am in favor of Veridian building a park in Phase 1 of their new development between Elderberry and Old Sauk.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Regards,

Clint Walkner  
7640 English Daisy Ct.

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Jean Cree  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 12:58 PM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Viridian Park Phase 1

Dear Mr. Parks,  
My husband and I are greatly in favor of this new park being planned and built between Elderberry and Old Sauk.  
It is important that young people be able to utilize a park in close proximity to their homes in order to get sufficient outside playtime and exercise. Children are already spending entirely too much time on their computers, cell phones and in front of televisions.  
A new park will also take the pressure off of existing parks for scheduled sports.

Thank you,  
Jean & Ted Cree

Sent from my iPad

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Jennifer Brixy  
**Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 1:46 PM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Park

Hello Mr. Parks,

This email is to express my vote in favor of Veridian building a park in Phase 1 of their new development between Elderberry and Old Sauk.

Additionally, I would like to express my desire for Veridian to preserve as much of the tree line on the east end of that area, ( the tree line that runs along the Schewe bike path), as much as possible. Those trees serve as a visual and sound barrier, as well a home to a multitude of birds and wildlife. There are not many stands trees remaining in this area, so anything that can be done to preserve the trees is greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much in advance for your time and attention to this.

Respectfully,  
Jennifer Brixy

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kiera Woodward

Sent: Saturday, January 06, 2018 1:36 PM

To: Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>

Cc: Nick Woodward

Subject: Veridian development - Phase 1 park, Elderberry

Good afternoon, Mr. Parks,

My name is Kiera and I am writing on behalf of myself & husband... and children. We are current homeowners living in the Woodstone neighborhood off of Elderberry Road in Middleton (Madison). Last Thursday night, a Neighborhood Association meeting was held to discuss the Veridian development of the Schewe property - Eagle Trace Neighborhood. Although we were unable to attend the meeting, it has come to our attention one of the specific topics discussed was the potential for Veridian to include a park in Phase 1 of their development. We are writing you to show our support of such a plan.

My husband and I are from Madison, and moved back to the area in 2014 after nearly 10 years living out of state. We are thrilled to be back in town and love our neighborhood for both the people and location. However, the one thing we both agree is lacking is the proximity of a neighborhood park. We have no park in our neighborhood, in it's formal borders of Woodstone. It's my understanding the developer initially had a park planned, but for whatever reason it was nixed at some point in the development in favor of more home-sites instead. My husband and I each grew up with a neighborhood park right around the corner - if not closer, as did all of our friends. We wish our kids had the same access to a park. The proposed park in the Schewe development would offer another option for this much-needed and desired space in our area.

Since there is so little park space in the existing and future neighborhoods (200+ more homes) in our area, we and these families must drive to other neighborhood parks like Blackhawk Park, Sauk Heights

Park, Cardinal Glenn Park, and Pioneer Park. Sauk Heights is by far closest to our current home, yet my kids are required to cross Elderberry Road, which is only getting busier and busier with traffic (much of whom do not obey the speed limit) as the area grows. As a parent, it is difficult to feel comfortable allowing them to go to the park when it requires crossing such a busy road. The proposed park in the Eagle Trace development would seem to be even further away from us, but my husband and I just purchased a lot on Burnt Sienna Drive, so this park is something we are extremely hopeful for as it will eventually be closer more accessible to us once we are in our new home.

We appreciate your time and consideration on this park proposal. This area is fantastic and we are invested in it remaining our home for many, many years. Please support us in keeping this park in the plans. We believe there is no such thing as "too many" parks in neighborhoods as sprawling as ours... but there is such a thing as "too few".

Thank you,  
Kiera & Nick Woodward

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**From:** sj wilson  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 06, 2018 6:24 PM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Veridian Phase 1

Mr. Parks: I currently live just east of the proposed Veridian development between Old Sauk and Elderberry. Several of our neighbors have been discussing this project and I was informed that there is a debate as to whether the development should include park space. I for one would share my support for the development of park space in this upcoming development. It really would be an integral element of the neighborhood considering the type of family housing that will be included in the area and it would likely serve the Woodstone development as well which regrettably does not have any park space included in our development. I know green space can be viewed by some as a luxury, not a necessity, but I am very much concerned that without additional public gathering and play space in this area that we're going to become one of those bedroom developments where neighbors have no place to recreate together and sadly find themselves feeling isolated in their own neighborhood. I know there are a lot of considerations to make in approving a development but I kindly ask the city to continue to make public outdoor space a priority, even out here in the 'burbs.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Sam Wilson  
[REDACTED] Elderberry Road

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Cristina Carvajal Castillo  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 07, 2018 7:02 PM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Park at elderberry

I am writing in support of the construction of the park at Eldenberry and old Sauk. Preserving a green space for families and the environment for our neighborhood is of benefit for all.

Cristina Carvajal

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**From:** Julie Pawola  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 07, 2018 11:24 AM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** New Park in Veridan subdivision between Elderberry and Old Sauk

Hi,  
I am writing to support a new park in the Veridan subdivision between Elderberry and Old Sauk. It is definitely going to be needed if they are planning on building 200+ more homes and it will relived congestion at the other neighbor parks.  
Sincerely,  
Julie Pawola

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**From:** Paul Pawola  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 07, 2018 7:09 PM  
**To:** Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** New park for subdivision by Elderberry and Old Sauk

Hi Tim - I am writing you to express my support for a new park in this new subdivision. This area has two parks but had seen growth of more subdivisions plus apartments. This means more children and families, and more parks will help give these children more places to play and keep the existing parks from being too crowded, which is important for safety especially when children are actively playing.

Thank you,  
Paul

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-----Original Message-----

From: Julie Maryott-Walsh  
Sent: Monday, January 08, 2018 5:37 PM  
To: Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>  
Cc: ICE Daughter Kiera  
Subject: Proposed Eagle Trace Neighborhood Park

Dear Mr. Parks:

We are writing in support of the proposed new park in Phase I of the Veridian development of the Schewe property - Eagle Trace Neighborhood.

We are Madison residents and volunteer in the oak savanna restoration of our own neighborhood park (Woodland Hills). Our daughters spent many happy hours there as they were growing up. Now one of them lives in the new development and we would very much like for our grandchildren (and us) to have a similar experience as they grow up. We currently take them to the Pope Farm Conservancy but a neighborhood park with play equipment would provide a very different and important experience. (I was involved in selecting the "new" Woodland Hills play structures many years ago).

Although we don't live in this new development, we do hope to spend time in the new park.

Also, as we enjoy bicycling, we appreciate the new bike path that I believe will border the new park!

Thank you for your consideration,

Julie and Tom Walsh  
■ Pinehurst Circle  
Madison, WI 53717