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Your name::

Brad Atchison

I represent::

Concerned Neighbours for Gonzales Hill

Street address (optional)::

1968 Fairfield Place

Municipality/Electoral Area in which you reside::

Victoria

I wish to address::

Capital Regional District Board

Meeting Date::

March 14, 2018

Agenda Item::

CRD Parks Staff Report on Proposed Lot Development Abutting Gonzales Hill RP

My reason(s) for appearing (is/are) and the substance of my presentation is as follows::

The CRD Parks staff precis on the claim that the proposed lot development at 1980 Fairfield Place, abutting the CRD's Gonzales Hill Regional Park, causes no adverse impacts on the Garry oak ecosystem and has no impact on parks users, is highly inaccurate, incomplete, unfounded, and misleading.

Regarding my 14-page Letter Report of February 14, 2018 to the CRD Parks Committee meeting of February 21, 2018, no rebuttal has been provided to the:

- Report Card on the CRD's neglectful management of Gonzales Hill Regional Park; and
- the foundational science ("Integrated Ecosystem-Based Management" is the ONLY approach to managing this ecosystem, which doesn't respect municipal property line boundaries) against this proposed development.

This flawed CRD staff opinion is being used as the basis for the CRD Parks Committee, particularly its Chair, avoiding to take a position on this proposed lot development at 1980 Fairfield Place.

Four members of the Parks Committee (Screech, Seaton, Kasper, and Price) voted against a modest motion by Councillors Isitt and Loveday for the recommendation that the CRD Parks Committee take a position on a modest motion at its meeting of February 21, 2018.

As well, the CRD Park Chair's assertion that the CRD should not get involved in what he sees as essentially a "political process which involves the City of Victoria" shows an ignorance of the BOV Bylaw and is specious, neglectful, and irresponsible.

I will have a PowerPoint or video presentation and will submit it at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.:

Yes

The meeting and my presentation will be webstreamed live via the CRD website and recorded.:

I understand,
