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Subject: East Wellington Plan

Thank you Madeline and Rob for the opportunity to submit a letter of support for the park planning for East Wellington Park.

Please see the letter on behalf of Nanaimo Foodshare below.

Dear City Council,

Nanaimo Foodshare is excited with the opportunity to support the city in the process for planning of East Wellington Park. Our Board of Directors has discussed the East Wellington Park, its status as an ALR property, and its potential as a park contributing to sustainable agriculture and ecological conservation. The board fully supports the prospect of a long term relationship working with the city to ensure that the park plan supports a balance of agriculture, community use, and environmental conservation. We feel that this is an exciting opportunity to support the community in continuing to develop sustainable agriculture in Nanaimo and the region.

Currently, Nanaimo Foodshare is conducting an environmental assessment of the neighbouring property at 2090 Skaha Drive and engaged in agricultural food production on 2 acres at this property. The timing of our activities engaging in agriculture and ecological assessment presents an opportunity to work in tandem with the city and potentially coordinate our activities to achieve efficiencies in assessment for the same ecosystem.

We look forward to working with the city to support the development of a park with so much positive potential.

Sincerely

Jen Cody

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