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I confess I do not know what the "applicable criteria" is in Section 19.052 of City of Grants Pass Development Code is but hope my objections to the proposed development of the Beacon Hill would be found therein.

#1 The negative affect on the natural wildlife that abounds on this small parcel of land. Deer, foxes, geese, ducks and many other species of birds and animals, large and small, use this little sanctuary every season.

#2 The improvements to this park would no doubt bring unwelcome visitors as well in the form of transients and the dangerous litter they are well known for, discarded needles and other evidence of illegal drug use and behavior.

Other reasons I object to the plan:

It seems illogical to locate a people (children) park right next to a freeway which generates its own kind of hazards. High speed traffic, freeway noise and litter of all kinds which requires litter patrols manned by less than law abiding folks. A few years ago a fire was started right on this stretch of I-5 that was close to major disaster. It was suspected to have been started by a discarded cigarette or a muffler that was dragging on the pavement. Those of you who have children or grandchildren, would this be a park of choice to spend an afternoon? That begs the question as to why spend whatever is planned on a very poor location indeed for a family park.

Respectfully,

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