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Request for Comments on Proposed New Development

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for your letter of August 18, 2021 seeking comment on proposed annexation of 16370 Royal Lane. We support the City's proposed acquisition of the 15.21 acres in question; however, we would like to add additional comment for the Planning Commission's consideration. It is our understanding that Bell Street is contemplated to be extended to intersect with Highway 26. We believe the better option would be for it to turn West and intersect with Royal Lane for connection to Highway 26 or possibly continue on to 362nd for intersection with the highway (traffic light already exists).

For several years we have enjoyed walking the trails behind the high school from the end of Bell over to highway 26. It is our understanding that the area is zoned for medium residential development. We would suggest that the Commission consider preserving it as a nature area.

Although our final comment is really not for the Commission, we would like to share anyway. We are concerned for the safety of the kids leaving the school in the afternoons and entering onto Bluff Street. The line of sight for vehicles going North on Bluff is limited and people sometimes drive faster than they should. If the Police Department could station a car at the intersection or place temporary flashing lights during rush hour, maybe the risk associated with the intersection could be mitigated.

Thank you for seeking our input.

Sincerely,

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