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Good Morning,

As the City considers the new Comprehensive Plan, I think it is important to remember that natural areas are important to a healthy biodiversity and to our mental health. Scarlett Mitchell Woods provide a much needed respite for those of us connected to the area, and I would argue for many within the City. I walk it often, as I find it peaceful, and have volunteered to help work there on two different occasions.

I write to request that you remember, in your moves to increase housing density, that a BALANCE is necessary for all of us to live and maintain a healthy life -both physically and mentally. Please work to include the importance of natural areas and biodiversity; we all know that the Federal government is not going to have much will to do this, so your work is even more important to ensure we keep natural areas as an integral part of the Comprehensive plan.

Thanks so much for your time.

Sincerely,

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