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Dear Councilmembers Hinton, Maurer, and Carter,

My name is Benedict Fox, I live at [REDACTED] Ave. I am a full-time resident of Sebastopol and a neighbor of Ives Park who spends lots of time there with our nearly 4 year old daughter.

In advance of Tuesday's Goals Sessions meeting I wanted to express the following:

- I hope we do not move forward with the CUSP Design Concept that calls for a seemingly major investment to regrade the park and remake the waterway into a winding creek while decreasing the current event area.
- Rather, I hope we focus on smaller and more attainable investment that focuses on replacing the current chain link fencing and retains all our event space.

I believe this alternate approach is more fiscally responsible, improves the park more immediately, retains valuable event and open space, and enables future investments for further improvements.

Thank you for your time!

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