



## Memorandum

Date: August 16, 2017  
To: West Linn Planning Commission  
From: Jennifer Arnold, Associate Planner  
Subject: Public Testimony for West Linn Planning Commission Public Hearing  
DR-17-04

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On August 6, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Betty Reynolds expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 7, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Grace Cargni expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 7, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Abby Farber expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 7, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Dale and Steven Seavey expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 8, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Toby Kolstad expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 8, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Erik Lyons expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 8, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Henry and Susanne Archar expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 8, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Patrick McGuire expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 11, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Rebecca Adams expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 14, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Joncile Martin expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 14, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Paul Glanert expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.



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On August 14, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Tamara Ghorbani-Elizeh expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 14, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Mark Gilbert expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 14, 2017 Staff received written testimony from William and Tiffany Cabine expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 14, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Tom Neff support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 14, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Jennifer Rupert expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 16, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Jakob and Helena Vallo Hult expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

On August 16, 2017 Staff received written testimony from Charles and Elizabeth Holden expressing support for the proposed Nature Play Playground at the White Oak Savannah Park.

## Boyd, John

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**From:** Betty Reynolds <bettyreynolds1@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 06, 2017 1:55 PM  
**To:** Planning Commission (Public)  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Support for Final Plan, White Oak Savanna

Dear Planning Commission,

I wanted to commend the West Linn City Council, Planning Commission, City staff, Metro, and the myriad of other community partners for making White Oak Savanna Park a reality. Special thanks to Roberta Schwarz for her tireless commitment. Her energy and resourcefulness are an inspiration, including the many times she reached out to students to engage in preserving this treasure for the citizens of West Linn.

This e-mail is an expression of support for approval of the Natural Play Area for the Savanna.

Thank you,

Betty Reynolds  
25202 SW Petes Mountain Rd.  
West Linn, Oregon 97068  
503-481-9480



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**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Grace Carni <gcargni@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 07, 2017 10:12 AM  
**To:** #Board - Planning Commission  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Savannah Natural Play Area

Planning Commission:

Regretfully I am unable to attend the meeting scheduled for August 16th.

I whole heartedly support the Savannah Natural Playground project and I urge to vote in support of it as well.

Thank you for all the work you do for the city of West Linn.

Kindly,  
Grace

| Grace Carni 🍷 |  
| c: 503.703.8024 |  
| 3565 Riverknoll Way.  
West Linn 97068 |

**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Abby Farber <abbyfarber@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 07, 2017 10:41 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Support for Savannah Oaks Natural Play Area

I'm writing to express my support for the proposed play area in Savannah Oaks. My family are West Linn Residents. I think this play area will be an amazing addition to West Linn's playgrounds, and will be a wonderful play AND natural education area for children and adults too. I am already envisioning using that area for picnics and learning more about the natural area. If I was young enough, I would definitely use ALL the great features that are planned.

Thank you,  
Abby Farber

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Abby Farber  
5560 Summit Street  
West Linn, Oregon

## Arnold, Jennifer

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**From:** Julia Marie <mariejul48@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 8:36 AM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer; roberta.schwarz@comcast.net  
**Subject:** Savannah

This family supports the natural play area being proposed at the Savannah. Thank you Julia Marie and Eric Griswold

Sent from my iPad

**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** msdale7753@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 8:51 AM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer; roberta.schwarz@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Playground in the Savannah

We are in support of a vote to approve the Natural Play Area planned for the Savannah oaks.

Sincerely,  
Dale and Steven Seavey

**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Patrick McGuire <patnorthwest@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 9:13 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Support of Natural Play Area

Hello,

I support the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area. Please add this comment to the Public Record.

Thank You

Patrick McGuire

1841 Barnes Circle  
West Linn, OR 97068



**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Toby Kolstad <tkolstad@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 9:30 AM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** 'Roberta Schwarz'  
**Subject:** I support the natural play area proposed for the White Oak Savannah

I live at 2115 Greene Street.

## Arnold, Jennifer

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**From:** Erik Lyons <bitshag@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 2:15 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Natural Play Area

I support the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area. Please add this comment to the Public Record.

Sorry I have a conflict and can't make the meeting in person.

Erik Lyons  
2787 Sunset Ave.

**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** link2sonny@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 08, 2017 3:39 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Subject:** Natural Play Area for the White Oak Savanna

Att. The WLC Planning Commission

Due to our inability to attend the Aug 16th meeting at the City Hall, we hereby kindly request you to consider this message as our two votes in favor to approve the design plan that is being proposed for the Natural Play Area at the White Oak Savanna, and add this manifestation to the public record accordingly.

Henry Achcar  
Susanne Achcar

2243 Greene St  
West Linn

## Arnold, Jennifer

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**From:** Rebecca Adams <radams014@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 11, 2017 4:46 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer; #Board - Planning Commission  
**Subject:** Please add this email to Written Testimony for upcoming hearing on DR-17-04 (Savanna Playground)

**Follow Up Flag:** Flag for follow up  
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Dear Planning Commission,

I cannot say enough about the brilliant collaboration between Ken Worchester, Roberta Schwarz, and Michelle Mathis on this major evolution of the White Oak Savanna. Please approve this with Findings that acknowledge the exceptional Public Works contribution of this design work. This fulfills all criteria and then some.

I have enjoyed many solitary walks in this park, but I've always felt the Savanna needed to be shared with a wider set of users than those like me with sturdy footgear and a camera. This proposed playground with amenities will open the gate to such a broader set of persons including nearby shoppers and workers needing a break from their OBC pursuits, seniors with mobility issues who will now have handicapped parking and access to paved relatively flat walkways, the many parents and grandparents with strollers and small children needing outdoor play and adventure, teens looking for a place to meet up with friends, and school groups that can soon combine high quality nature education with an absorbing interactive recess spot. Perhaps someday each of these groups will even enjoy a picnic or a snack in the maple, cottonwood, and madrone grove next to a daylighted Bernert Creek. But perhaps that is a topic for another application...

For now let's just say to this one: "Approved with highest honors and gratitude to those who worked so hard along the way. Let the gateway to the Savanna swing open for all!"

Thank you for your consideration,

Rebecca Adams

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West Linn, OR

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**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Joncile <joncile40@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 2:11 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** savanna Park play area

**I support the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area. Please add this comment to the Public Record.**

**Joncile Martin  
4051 Sussex Street  
West Linn, OR 97068**

**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Paul Glaunert <pglaunert@aldercg.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 3:18 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz; Amy Waltz (amyw@wscinsurance.com)  
**Subject:** Natural play area

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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**“I support the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area. Please add this comment to the Public Record.”**

Paul

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**From:** Tamara Elizeh <tamaraelizeh@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 3:19 PM  
**To:** Roberta Schwarz; Arnold, Jennifer  
**Subject:** Support for the Natural Play Area

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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I am in complete support of the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area. Please add this comment to the Public Record.

Sincerely,  
Tamara Ghorbani-Elizeh  
2280 Crestview Dr  
West Linn, Oregon

**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Mark Gilbert <painfree6@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 5:31 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Subject:** White Oak Savannah

**The White Oak Savannah is a crown jewel of West Linn's entrance from the 205 freeway. As such, we should be sure all members of our community feel included in the service the park brings to the broader community. I therefore support the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area.**

**Please add this comment to the Public Record.**

Mark Gilbert  
2594 Bronco Ct  
West Linn, OR



**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** cabinefamily@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 7:59 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Savannah Oaks Natural Play Area

**West Linn Planning Commission,**

**I support the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area. Please add this comment to the Public Record.**

**William & Tiffany Cabine  
2180 Crestview Dr  
West Linn, OR**

Sent from my iPhone

## Arnold, Jennifer

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**From:** tom neff <tomneff@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 8:14 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Subject:** Savannah Woods

Jennifer, I support the establishment of the play area in this park.  
Thanks, Tom

## Arnold, Jennifer

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**From:** Jennifer Rupert <jennifer.rupert@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 14, 2017 10:56 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Natural Play Area - White Oak Savanna  
**Attachments:** image1.JPG; ATT00001.txt

To Whom It May Concern:

We will not be able to attend the hearing on 8/16 since it is my daughter's birthday party at that time, so I wanted to make sure to register our family's support of the Natural Play Area proposal at the White Oak Savanna. My children are especially excited about it, so much so that they did a little fundraising during the recent heat wave and donated \$82 to the cause!

Thank you for consideration of my comments.

Jennifer Rupert  
2425 Remington Drive  
West Linn





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**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Helena Vallo Hult <vallohelena@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 16, 2017 10:33 AM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Cc:** Roberta Schwarz  
**Subject:** Support of the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area.

We support the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area. Please add this comment to the Public Record.

Best regards,  
Jakob Hult and Helena Vallo Hult  
23136 Bland Circle  
West Linn OR 97068

**Arnold, Jennifer**

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**From:** Holden <elkiehfuss@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 16, 2017 2:31 PM  
**To:** Arnold, Jennifer  
**Subject:** Natural Play Area

Please add our support for the design plan being proposed for the Natural Play Area to the Public Record.

Thank you,  
Charles and Elizabeth Holden  
3489 Vista Ridge Dr  
West Linn, OR 97068