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SUBJ:  Proposed Condemnation Ordinance of Park Hill Golf Course

I am writing regarding the proposed ordinance authorizing condemnation of Park Hill Golf Course (“PHGC”) land that is scheduled for first reading on December 18, 2017​.  I​ urge you to vote “no” or at least to table this proposed ordinance until such time as the City administration can assure City Council that a condemnation action will not jeopardize the legal protections of the open space conservation easement acquired by the City in 1997 from the Clayton Trust for $2 million.

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The conservation easement provides the City and its citizens invaluable open space protections for the 155-acres of PHGC land.  It would be a tragedy for City Council to take action that might inadvertently permit unilateral termination of the conservation easement and a squandering of the City’s $2 million investment.

Sincerely,