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Hi Maria, Thank-you for following up. I would like to add to the public record of this meeting:

I agree with the points made in the excellent presentation made by Grainne Aitken.

The park space in such a densely populated community will be very important for making this community a complete one. Larger parks and greenspaces are needed for residents so new parks don't become overused. Other parks and greenspaces wind up taking too much environmental pressure if this is the case.

That said, I hope Riverbank can also be a recreational road for everyone, including our new neighbours. It has been well used by residents from adjoining areas who enjoy views and low traffic while they bike or stroll. One of the great features about Riverbank Drive is that it is generally accessible to many- whether persons with mobility challenges, cyclists, or families with a stroller, the environment is such that it makes for a user-friendly experience. Keeping low/slow vehicle traffic is key as there are no sidewalks and the road itself is the trail. Traffic reduction measures are needed to reduce pressure on parks, preserve the heritage features. This will maintain recreational vibrancy by keeping the road safe for all. Maintaining natural vegetation and views are key to this as well. We would like input into the plantings and preservation potential of wild areas, and urge council to consider alternatives that maximize preservation of natural areas along the road.

Erosion and storm water control are key concerns. I have questions about how the storm water management pond will be implemented given the slope and elevation of the subdivision relative to our properties and the Grand River. It would be helpful to have staff from the Conservation Authority and/or water engineering staff to come out and show us where and how the infrastructure is to be built relative to the properties. As Gordon Aitken mentioned, we are unsure of whether the tree roots and infracture will conflict. There was a survey done a few summers ago of that area- I would like access to this to see where the property lines are surveyed to understand where potential development concerns might occur. One issue I've not seen addressed is the potential for having a large stagnant pond as a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

We look forward to working with the City and Madison on making this a welcoming neighbourhood for everyone.  
Thanks for the opportunity for feedback.

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