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I just left the Judiciary Committee meeting which covered the rezoning of two lots ,slated to be part (or have access to) the proposed Grandmas Gateway.I was encouraged at the thoughtful statements from both sides tonight and especially impressed with the suggestions of working together to come to a compromise or delay the project to provide more input from the public.I was surprised at the suggestions by several of the committee members to discourage deferral and even comments of "no one is going to change their mind if they meet" and "sometimes you just have to make a hard decision and move on."It reminded me of our current national government system.No one is listening and minds are already made up.It also seemed that when a newer council member suggested a civil and thoughtful discussion and deferment, that another member was rather condescending towards this member, telling him he will learn that sometimes you just have to move on.I sat directly behind people who lived on 29th street who vigorously shook their heads, no ,when Jay Odegard stated postcards were sent out to the neighbors affected.Lets put ourselves in their position.As I waited for my ride after the meeting in the lobby, the ORA group was subtly congratulating each other, and I heard two members says " we have to downplay the mountain biking".They appear to think the approval for the rezoning is a green light to their project.I am a hiker and not against mountain biking at all.What I am for is preserving Grandads Bluff for the future, and preventing regrets later.Most importantly respecting the wishes of the Hixon family.What a wonderful gift we were given and what little time we are taking to make a possibly irretrievable decision.This was a very sad day for me to see how our city government works.Respectfully submitted.Barb Heintz

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