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Good evening. My name is Gary Woods, 13538 SW Fischer Road. Right now I'm on an airplane returning from Africa where I've been helping on various projects for the past two months. I'm sure that the councilors know me. Since I'm not able to be present, I asked my friend to read my statement for me.

It has been a very disappointing journey to work with you. Councilor Shawna Thompson is the only councilor that has taken seriously the feedback of the community. The whole Master Plan process has been aiming at doing just what you have done. I have been part of the process. I have written emails, had personal meetings, engaged with neighbors, started a petition, orchestrated the original yard signs, and been summarily dismissed.

We were told that this Master Plan would not affect our properties or property values. I'm glad that Councilor Shawna Thompson spoke reality into the situation, though the rest of you didn't listen.

I was diagnosed with a degenerative joint problem in my foot I began having a lot of problems going up and down our stairs. Our children were concerned that I would fall and suggested that we sell and find a single story house. We love our house and our neighbors. Reluctantly we decided to sell. We spent \$20,000 painting the inside of the house and other upgrades, and listed the house. We got a buyer immediately who loved the house and offered over list price so that we would take it off of the market.

Then the letter from King City arrived that the council had approved the Master Plan. So, I immediately contacted our Real Estate Agent and sent her a copy of the letter. She forwarded the letter to the the buyer's agent, who in turn gave the letter to the buyers. The buyers went to the website and studied the plan and realizing the potential problems for them, they withdrew their offer. The reason they wrote down for the withdrawal was: Kingston Terrace master plan. Our realtor began warning other agents about the Master Plan and the potential for the agents to be sued if they did not disclose the Master Plan now that it had been approved. We relisted our house, but we had no more interest in our house. No showings.

We unlisted the house and will wait to sell it until after the recall is complete.

It seems that before this gets any messier, that the councilors should listen to those who voted them into their positions.

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