

<p>9/7/2021</p>	<p>Hi. 30-year ex-professional MTB rider of local trails and I have to say, the e-bikes are really just motorcycles. With 4" wide tires, big suspension, and typically armored pilots. And because they are motor-driven, can exceed 50lbs in weight so they tear up the trails.</p> <p>The bike I ride has 2.2" tires, and must be lightweight so I can pedal it up the hills! E-bikes just don't seem like bicycles to me, and are causing more harm than good, especially in Waterdog.</p> <p>I'd hate to see access for normal mtb taken away due to e-bike riding styles. Thanks</p>	<p>Tom Sharp</p>
<p>9/23/2021</p>	<p>Hi There, My name is Brandi Webb and I represent a Software Development Firm based out of Morgantown (WV). We reached out to you to understand the current resource challenges you might be experiencing and since we have a stack of highly experienced in-house developers of the following mentioned technologies so not only we can provide developers on a short notice but also help you with the on-going projects:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Back-end - Java, Python, PHP, .Net 2. Front-end - Angular, React, JS, HTML 3. Mobile App - Android, iOS (Native & Hybrid) <p>It would be nice to know if you require our help with any of the above-mentioned technologies or you can even save our details for any future references.</p> <p>Look forward to hearing from you.</p> <p>Thanks & Regards, Brandi Webb Business Development Executive.</p>	<p>Brandi Webb</p>
<p>9/27/2021</p>	<p>Dear Park and Recreation Committee. On this coming Thursday, I would hope you would add on to your agenda the Illegal Bike Trail that was constructed in the canyon behind many homes in Belmont Heights. As a homeowner right behind this trail, it is very disturbing to me with talking and dog barking that this brings to our neighborhood, in addition to numerous cars parked on Hallmark.</p> <p>We bought our home in Belmont Heights because it offered us tranquility and privacy. It appears that the City is now more interested in providing outdoor recreation to all the people of The Bay Area with our cross country track, hiking trail in Water Dog Park, and now an illegal bike trail. What if a biker should injure themselves. Will the City be responsible?</p> <p>It is time for Parks and Recreation to support our Belmont constituents first and not try and placate everyone else in the Bay Area.</p> <p>Thank You</p>	<p>Ken Lebovitz</p>
<p>9/29/2021</p>	<p>Hello!</p> <p>I would let you know I noticed a couple of SEO errors on your website www.belmontprosplan.com.</p> <p>I have one of the digital marketers preparing an SEO analysis report of your website. I thought you may find it interesting and probably a core reason why you aren't able to find google first page?</p> <p>If this sounds good to you, shoot me a quick reply for SEO report. Thanks for your time!</p> <p>Thank You,</p>	<p>Manisha Roy</p>

<p>9/30/2021</p>	<p>Dear PROS plan committee, I have spoken at meetings before, so will keep introductions brief. Suffice it to say that I am a well entrenched community member in the city of Belmont, having lived here for close to 20 years with my wife. We are raising 3 wonderful children who are at this time attending public elementary, middle and high school! Go Wildcats, Rams, and Scotts!! We love our city and we love our parks and open space.</p> <p>I believe we are working on this PROS plan at just the perfect time! While we do this, we need to zoom out a bit and reflect on the major issue in the room - climate change. I don't think it would be responsible to look at any project right now, without at least incorporating climate change into the metrics. While it is overwhelming to think about the effects of greenhouse gasses and climate change, we can focus on the here and now. What can we do as a city and as a community to lead and ensure we are going in the right direction?</p> <p>We need to begin to tackle the sticky business of entrenched car culture. I see parents dropping off kids all over town in cars. Going to the store in cars. Everyone goes everywhere in cars. This IS entrenched car culture. However, we can make inroads quickly if we support creating safe routes for people to walk and bike to their destinations.</p> <p>Electric bicycles can flatten the hills - try one out! Green striping really does inform drivers that bicycles belong on the roads and are expected to be there. Reducing the speed limits on the streets to 25 MPH would do FANTASTIC things for our overall safety, for drivers, cyclists and walkers alike. Our roads would become quieter and safer. The drivers would lose 4 seconds on their Ralston speed records, and we would gain a happier and safer community. Improved signage and widening the bike lanes can make a huge difference in inviting potential cyclists to ride rather than drive.</p> <p>It is great to have wonderful parks around the city, but the parks and schools should be connected by greenways and very safe routes that are tested and marked and established. The connections are as important as the destinations. This way families can have confidence that their child will safely make it to school, the library or a park on time. Our community will benefit by riding more bicycles - better exercise and more independence from cars. There is an ebike club starting at Carlmont High School so our high school kids can easily get around town to school and extracurricular activities.</p> <p>Lets address climate change head on - and make a claim as a city! Lets promote PRO pedestrian and PRO bicycle routes in our PROS plan, and start disrupting the entrenched car culture.</p> <p>Sincerely, Thaddeus Block</p>	<p>Thaddeus Block</p>
<p>9/30/2021</p>	<p>Hello PROS Plan team, I wanted to bring this foundation to your attention: https://www.saris.com/page/foundation</p> <p>A grant from this foundation could help with funding for the pump track. There could be other similar foundations to look into as well.</p> <p>Thanks, Austin Fisher</p>	<p>Austin Fisher</p>
<p>9/30/2021</p>	<p>Dear Parks and Rec Commissioners:</p> <p>Unfortunately, I am unable to attend tonight's meeting. I appreciate the work you are doing to improve Belmont.</p> <p>We have a big interest in increasing bicycles and pedestrian safety in Belmont. We'd like to increase percentage of students who can bicycle to school safely, have a safe place to leave their bikes, to reduce car traffic, and promote independence in kids, as well as health benefits We are also interested in safe cycling for all community members, Right now I will not ride on Ralston; the area from Alameda heading wesr towards Highway 92 and the bike bridge is too dangerous with cars going 40 mph (and often faster) with no bike lane or protection. If I won't ride, I don't expect Ralston Middle School Community to feel safe riding either. With nearly students getting transported in cars, traffic on Ralston is out of control.Encouraging students to walk or ride to school when we can ensure students safety us critical and would help meet several of your goals including making users feel safe, improving enviornmental resiliance and sustainability (reducing traffic), and advancing community health and well-being by increasing physical activity, Ultimately protected bike lanes on Ralston would be ideal, even if it means reducing the median. Short-term changed should involve reducing the speed limit on Ralston to 25 mph all the time. This would need enforcement and could be facilitated with traffic warming techniques like speed bumps/humps that are being used in other parts of Belmont</p>	

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Dear Belmont Belmont,

As a local resident, someone who is concerned with wildlife and wilderness protection, and a supporter of In Defense of Animals, I am writing to urge you to prioritize the protection of wildlife and habitat at Waterdog Lake & Open Space in the PROS Master Plan.

Belmont offers many recreational opportunities, but Waterdog is its primary natural open space, and only by prioritizing protection over recreation will we leave future generations of all species the same beautiful and essential wild land we witness today.

While opportunities for outdoor recreation and simply being able to enjoy nature are important, with increasingly little habitat in the Bay Area, this open space is critical for wildlife, and provides an invaluable and much-needed corridor that many species rely on and benefit from.

Protecting spaces like this is also important to residents, who see and respect the value of conserving natural spaces and habitat; Belmont and San Francisco Bay Area residents care about the environment, and they care about protecting wildlife.

If the area is given over further to recreational purposes, it will cease to function as it should. I am also extremely concerned that trails will be further opened here to mountain bikers, who have been damaging trails and running over wild animals.

I sincerely hope you will put conservation first when planning the future of this open space, and prioritize the need to protect it over development.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Date Received	Quantity	Commenter Name
9/10/2021	8	Kim Wilkins, Marina Ris, LeeAnn Jennings, Betty Porter, Diane Kalil, Gustiana Damiano, Duangphorn Van Strien, Rhonda Robinson
9/13/2021	1	Vanessa Rodrigues
9/15/2021	1	Jan Repp
9/18/2021	1	lavaune guenther
9/24/2021	1	Chinanan Khurasee
9/27/2021	1	Lucette BALLY
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