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Saeed Abtahis's public testimony in support of Segment 2B of east lake Sammamish trail

(Saeed 338)

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. My name is Saeed Abtahi. my wife and I reside at 2033 East Lake Sammamish Place SE, which is part of View Point Park Community Association. I bought the parcel of land in 2013 to build a house because of the view and access to lake through VPP Community Beach. I had full knowledge of trail construction and we always felt it would be a benefit for us and for the general public.

I have had multiple dealings with KC Parks department for my construction over the past 4 years, Some extremely difficult, onerous and at times without any transparency or integrity to honor their previous commitments.

After KC's outreach in April of 2017, I decided to open communications with KC parks (through Monica Leers and Kevin Brown) to understand their intentions and plans for this section of trail through our Community. Despite 5 attempts, I never got any response or cooperation from KC. Unfortunately, KC has chosen to exercise secrecy and avoid transparency. *get Rebuffed.*

and specifically as it relates to over Community Beach.

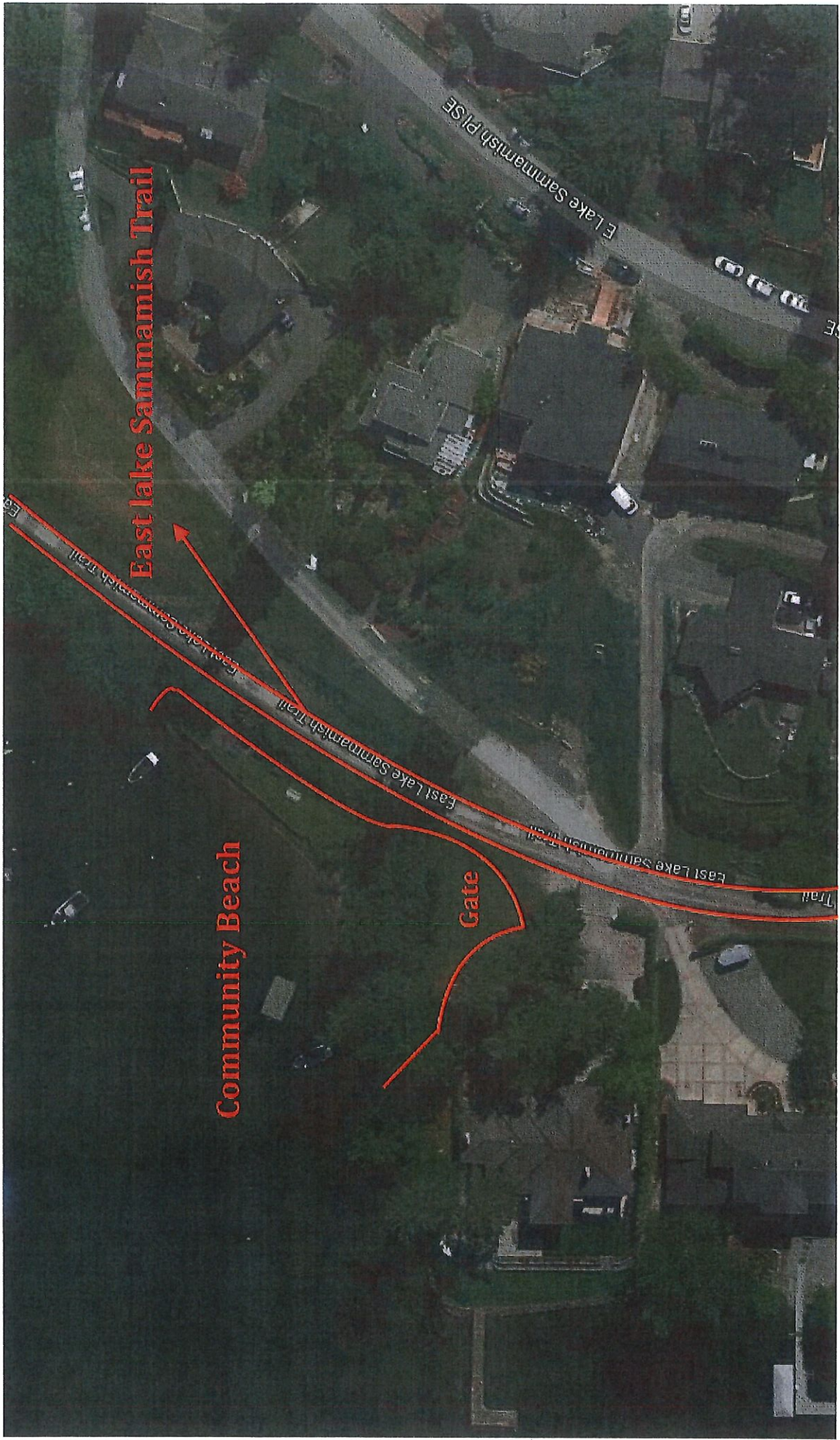
However, I am here today to testify in support of the trail as presented in the 60% plan. I also fully concur with, and support City of Sammamish's staff analysis under section "25.06.030 Shoreline Public access regulation" which states: The Project is a public access facility and has been designed to provide visual access to the Lake Sammamish Shoreline. *which does not interfere with over beach.* **(the Project does not include water access)**

Furthermore, I request your honor to place the following additional conditions on the trail design and construction:

- a) ~~KC shall not increase the current scope and limits of trail design as presented to the City in the 60% plan.~~ Any change of scope and design shall be subject to full public review and comment *Before Consent 60% PLAN*
- b) KC shall provide safe access to the beach area for our community during construction
- c) KC shall not be permitted to take over the beach area for temporary or permanent use *Construction*
- d) KC shall install "PRIVATE BEACH NO PUBLIC ACCESS" signs at our community fence and gate to the beach area. ~~Trail users shall be warned and prevented to use this beach~~
- e) KC shall not in any way disrupt, limit or deny access to the beach for our community, upon completion of the project. Our Community shall continue to benefit the full use and enjoyment of the beach area upon completion of the trail

I have attached an aerial photo of the beach and existing trail for your reference. Thank you for your consideration.

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