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Via E-mail: amostert@pickering.ca

March 24, 2022

RE: West Shore Skate Spot

Dear Mr. Mostert,

The Durham Region Cycling Coalition (DRCC) is a Durham Region based, not-for-profit, advocacy organization representing the six cycling clubs in the Region, as well as local cycling enthusiasts. We attempted to participate in the Community Survey posted on the Let's Talk Pickering website for the West Shore Skate Spot but were unable to submit feedback before the survey closed on March 23, 2022. In lieu of participating via the online survey, we hope the following comments can be included on the record of public engagement.

We are very excited to see the City moving forward with the West Shore Skate Park and are encouraged by this initiative to expand outdoor recreational facilities in the City. After reviewing the proposed Concept Plan, we offer the following comments:

- Consider installing additional vehicle rated barriers on the west and east edges of the skate spot;
- Consider providing some benches or additional seating in the grassy area southeast of the proposed skate park; and
- Ensure the City pursues maintenance in the autumn months, including the removal of leaves from the skate spot. Wet leaves can be dangerous to those riding BMX bikes, skateboards or rollerblades.

We sincerely hope the foregoing comments will be considered constructive and taken into consideration as the project moves forward.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Steinsky".

Andrew Steinsky
Community Ambassador, Pickering

cc. Ron Lalonde, Executive Director, Durham Region Cycling Coalition