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Subject: FW: Three suggested changes (wording in paragraph 1, addition to point 3, and removal of commentary about your absence)

Mayor Lehman and Members of Council:

As you know, the Brereton Field Naturalists' Club has previously expressed to Council its opposition to the proposed sports and entertainment facility, initially a baseball stadium proposed by Mr. Jamie Massie for the waterfront parkland on the south shore of Kempenfelt Bay.

We have reviewed the staff report noted above, which appears to be the direction under which this project would be considered further.

We have some concerns about the suggested terms of reference:

1. The staff report states that there are no environmental matters related to this recommendation. While it may be true that establishing a new advisory committee in itself does not have environmental impacts, the moment this advisory committee starts considering sites for a sports and entertainment facility it will be obvious that development of any site for such a facility will have environmental impacts which may be significant. How will the advisory committee **or any sub-committees** have the capability to assess and consider such impacts?
2. The proposed makeup of the advisory committee is limited to two Council members and "Five (5) citizen members with background in sports and/or tourism". The previous Terms of Reference simply suggested two Council members and "three representatives of Community/Sports Organizations". We do not feel that the Committee membership should be limited as proposed, since it would appear to exclude interested groups such as ourselves, as well as other community/ratepayer groups. We feel that the membership should be more broadly community-based.
3. The previous Terms of Reference proposed a program of community consultation for the sports and entertainment facility, prior to the next municipal election. What is to happen to this program of consultation and the whole sports and entertainment facility proposal? In addition, what is to happen to the collected community commentary (barrie.uservoice.com) under the tag "I am opposed to the City of Barrie building a sports complex along the South Shore. Build it elsewhere. Leave nature alone to be enjoyed"

Please take these concerns into account in your further discussions on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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