

From: [Jessica Mulligan](#)
To: [Liesl Barker](#)
Subject: Comment for Tonight's Meeting
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Liesl, could you read or have read this email tonight, regarding the Gustavus forelands Lease project? Thank you so kindly!

Dear Gustavus City Council Members,

My name is Jessica Mulligan and I have called Gustavus home for 19 years, along with my husband, Ben, who has graduated from Gustavus High School and resided here much longer than I. We are committed members of this community while raising our two young children Lili, Amy and rascally Blue Dog.

I cannot adequately express my love and devotion to Gustavus beach and forelands. I take my girls and yes, at times a gaggle of other children and dogs, to play, connect with nature and subsist along the golf course trails. This space not only supports the health and wellbeing of our human community members and visitors, but equally the vast numbers of migrating birds and animals who rightfully call this space their home as well. It is a precious habitat that we are so fortunate to get to share. I will be forever thankful to Ben and the DeBoer family for granting the access to this land.

Now is the time to protect this space , as we have the great support and partnership of the Southeast Alaska Land Trust.

I urge you to please APPROVE the Conservation Lands Leasing Project scoping document!

I urge you to please APPROVE the use of \$25,000 from the Endowment Fund, thus allowing the land committee to move forward on this initiative.

Thank you greatly for your time and consideration on this matter.

Jess Mulligan