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MESSAGE:

Name: OisinKing
Department to Contact: City Council - Lodge a Public Comment to the City Council [REDACTED]
Submitted: 2024-10-24 09:24:34
Reply to: [REDACTED]

Message: Dear Sir/Madam,

I am contacting you in response to management of public parks. As I write, an employee is using a gas engined leaf blower to collect an very light dusting of leaves into a pile in Lincoln Park.

As makes his way around the park, gunning this his 2-stroke engine full throttle, he burns 2L of fossil fuel per hour, and creates over 100db of noise. This job should be accomplished with a brush, manually. It is an obscene demonstration of waste and environmental disrespect. Currently, he is methodically making his way around a childrens playground, intensively polluting for no good reason whatsoever. What does this teach our children about sustainability? Why should they ever care about our environment when we so clearly don't?

If it takes longer to accomplish this task with a brush, so be it. We as a community will survive if the leaves lay where they fall for a little longer. If residents are upset, let them contribute to the clean up with their own brushes. The decision of Somerville City Council to pollute our environment which these unnecessary machines is one of profound disrespect to it's community, and to our planet.

Please can you let me know what are the plans to resolve this senseless environmental destruction? I know multiple neighbors have complained of this exact issue, and yet it continues.

I look forward to your response,
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