Cannon Beach is a historic town with a rich history. It is a vibrant town with thriving businesses. These things don’t just happen by chance. They happen through hard work and careful planning of its members. It would seem to me that if Cannon Beach wants to continue to be one of Oregon’s “must see” destinations, then a plan to keep what makes the city unique and special should be created by the City Council. One of those iconic items is the sand dunes in front of the Breaker’s Point property. These dunes have been a part of the Cannon beach landscape for decades. However, due to lack of management the dunes have been overrun with non-native vegetation. The dunes have grown in size swallowing up the public beach access. Native plants and animals no longer find suitable habitat to flourish.

Yes the homeowner’s of Breakers Point would like to have better views and easier beach access for themselves. Their request is no more unexpected than the hotels along the south side of town wanting to make sure their views of Haystack Rock and their beach access also remains protected by the city. And it is in the best interest of the city to look out for the hotels and homeowners in the community.

I don’t want the dunes to go away. I want them protected and restored to what they once were. That means having a plan that takes into account both the environmental impact and the economic impact to our community.

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