To: Cape Elizabeth Town Council

From: William Brownell, Chair

Fort Williams Advisory Commission

Date: October 18, 2013

Re: Prohibition of Smoking – Fort Williams Park

At our meeting on October 17, 2013, the Fort Williams Advisory Commission (FWAC) voted unanimously (5 to 0) to recommend to the Town Council that smoking be prohibited in Fort Williams Park. The members are hopeful that the proposed prohibition will reduce litter and mitigate the harmful effects of second-hand smoke on non-smokers who are visiting the Park.

The FWAC is proposing the following language be inserted into Chapter 12 (Miscellaneous Offenses), Article IV (Fort Williams Park Regulations) of the Municipal Code of Ordinances:

Sec. 12-4-9 Smoking Prohibited. Smoking in the Park is prohibited

It is further proposed that Section 12-4-9 (Penalty) would be renumbered 12-4-10 to accommodate the revision of Section 12-4-9. Robert Malley, the Director of Public Works has spoken to Chief Williams regarding this proposal and his staff would assist with the enforcement of this section, if requested by the Park Rangers and/or Town Staff.

We request your consideration of this request at your next available meeting, which we understand would be forwarded to the Ordinance Committee for their review and comment.

Cc: Fort Williams Advisory Commission Members Michael K. McGovern, Town Manager Robert C. Malley, Director of Public Works Maureen O'Meara, Town Planner