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Why sacrifice any open space?

July 12, 2008

Compromise is not an option when it comes to land preservation ("Talk it over," editorial, July 6). Once land is developed, open space - and potential parks, playgrounds or public playing fields - disappears.

The tempest in [Roland Park](#) about the possible development of 17 acres is not just about Roland Park. It is not just about communication between a club and a community.

It is not just about creeping commercialization vs. preserving residential neighborhoods.

It is about the environment of a city.

In an era of global warming, why would it be beneficial to pave over

17, or even 10, pristine acres when already-paved sites in the city need redevelopment and landscaping?

Greg Otto

Baltimore

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