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Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)

Sent:

Saturday, May 25, 2013 8:51 PM

To:

Kehoe, Steven (DDOT)

Cc:

Amaya, Juan (DDOT); Davis, Steven A. (DDOT)

Subject:

RE: 147 TENN AVE NE - Today's Meeting Notes

----Original Message-----

From: Kehoe, Steven (DDOT)

Sent: Saturday, May 25, 2013 07:45 PM Eastern Standard Time

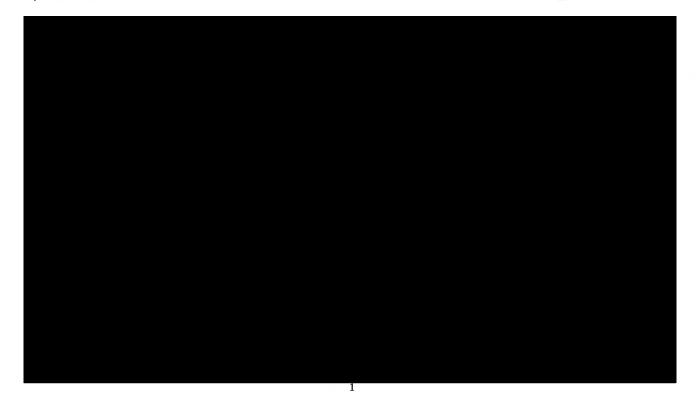
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Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 5:50 PM
To: Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)

Subject: RE: 147 TENN AVE NE - Today's Meeting Notes



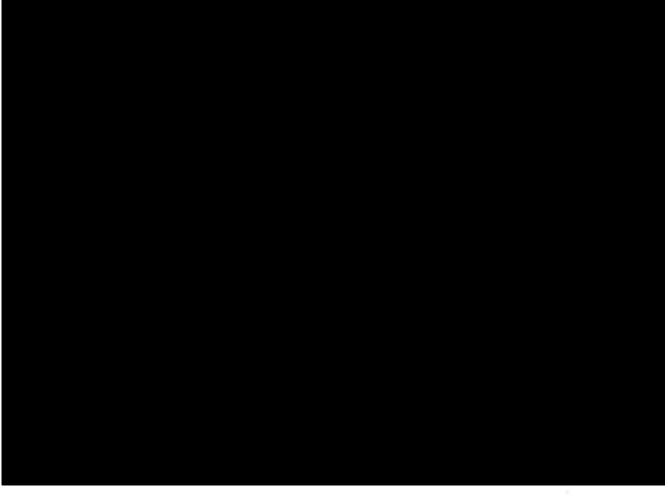
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From: Marcou, Matthew (DDOT) Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 5:25 PM

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From: Garrett, Elliott M. (DDOT) **Sent:** Friday, May 24, 2013 4:03 PM

To: Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)

Cc: Powell, Jeffrey (DDOT); Henry, James T. (DDOT) Subject: FW: 147 TENN AVE NE - Today's Meeting Notes

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Elliott Garrett, Chief 202-671-2801

From: Kehoe, Steven (DDOT) Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 2:58 PM

To: Bazile, Reginald (DDOT); Kelly, Alice (DDOT)

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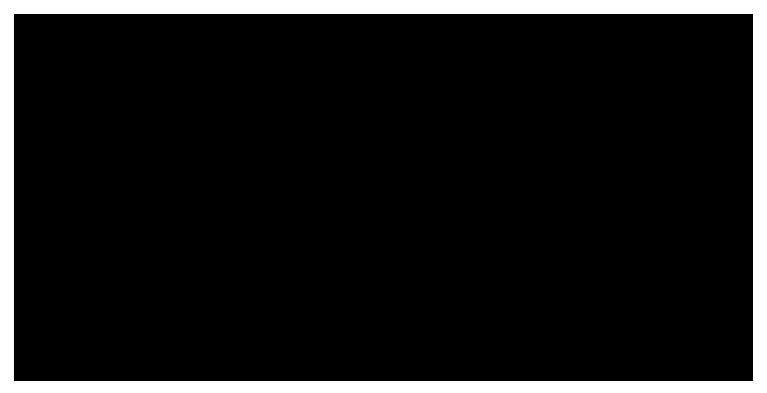
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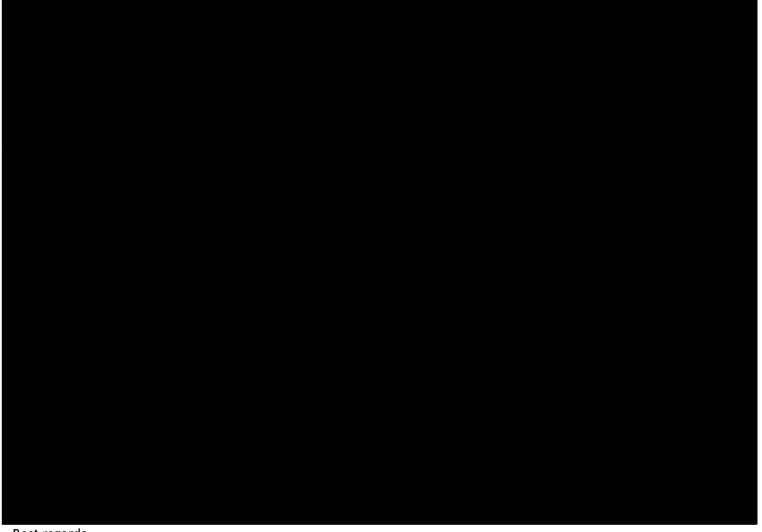
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Meeting Request for 147 Tennesse Ave., NE and Reservation of 266

Location:

1100 4th Street, SW; 3rd Floor Conference Room E300

Start: End:

Fri 5/24/2013 11:00 AM Fri 5/24/2013 12:00 PM

Show Time As:

Tentative

Recurrence:

(none)

Meeting Status:

Not yet responded

Organizer:

Rice, Nicole (DCRA)

Required Attendees:

Davis, Steven A. (DDOT); Dreist, Roland (DCRA); Henry, James T. (DDOT); Marcou,

Matthew (DDOT); Amaya, Juan (DDOT); Kehoe, Steven (DDOT); Aguirre, Jesus S. (DPR);

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From:

O'Brien, Linda (COUNCIL)

Sent:

Thursday, May 23, 2013 3:11 PM

To:

Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Cc:

Marcou, Matthew (DDOT); Davis, Steven A. (DDOT); Amaya, Juan (DDOT); Kehoe, Steven

(DDOT); Aguirre, Jesus S. (DPR); Dreist, Roland (DCRA); 'Joyce West'

Subject:

Meeting request 147 Tennessee Ave., NE and Reservation 266 ceded to

Hi James and all included:

Appreciate your help at a meeting tomorrow Friday May 24th at 11:00 am at 1100 4th St., SW the surveyor's Office on the third floor regarding what was reservation 266 that was ceded to the District Department of Recreation and that abuts 147 Tennessee Ave., NE. the abutting property owners have been trying to beautify the space and have encountered assorted difficulties. We are convening this meeting to determine who has ultimate authority over the space and the appropriate process for neighbors who wish to beautify public park space. There is urgency to this request as DDOT has issued a stop work order that is costing the property owners undue distress and financial setbacks every moment of delay.

Really appreciate attendance of everyone or another appropriate representative from the office who is aware of the issues this raises and can speak on behalf of their agency.

Thanks so very much!!!

Linda O'Brien

Deputy Chief of Staff Councilmember Tommy Wells 1350 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Suite 402

Washington, DC 20004 Phone: 202.724.8072 Fax: 202.724.8054

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Williams, Courtney (DDOT)

Sent:

Friday, May 17, 2013 2:14 PM

To:

Henry, James T. (DDOT); Garrett, Elliott M. (DDOT); Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)

Cc:

Amaya, Juan (DDOT); Bazile, Reginald (DDOT); White, Robert (DDOT)

Subject:

RE: 78078: 147 Tennessee Ave NE

Attachments:

L2 - DCA Layout and Grading 11-27-12.pdf

James,

Courtney Williams | Permitting Manager - Public Space Regulation Administration | District Department of Transportation | Direct 202-442-8354 | Fax 202-535-2221

From: Henry, James T. (DDOT) Sent: Friday, May 17, 2013 1:48 PM

To: Garrett, Elliott M. (DDOT); Williams, Courtney (DDOT); Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)

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Subject: RE: 78078: 147 Tennessee Ave NE

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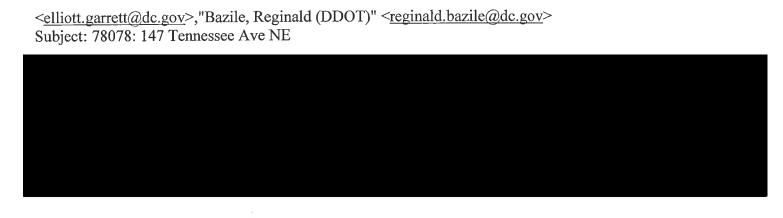
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Date:

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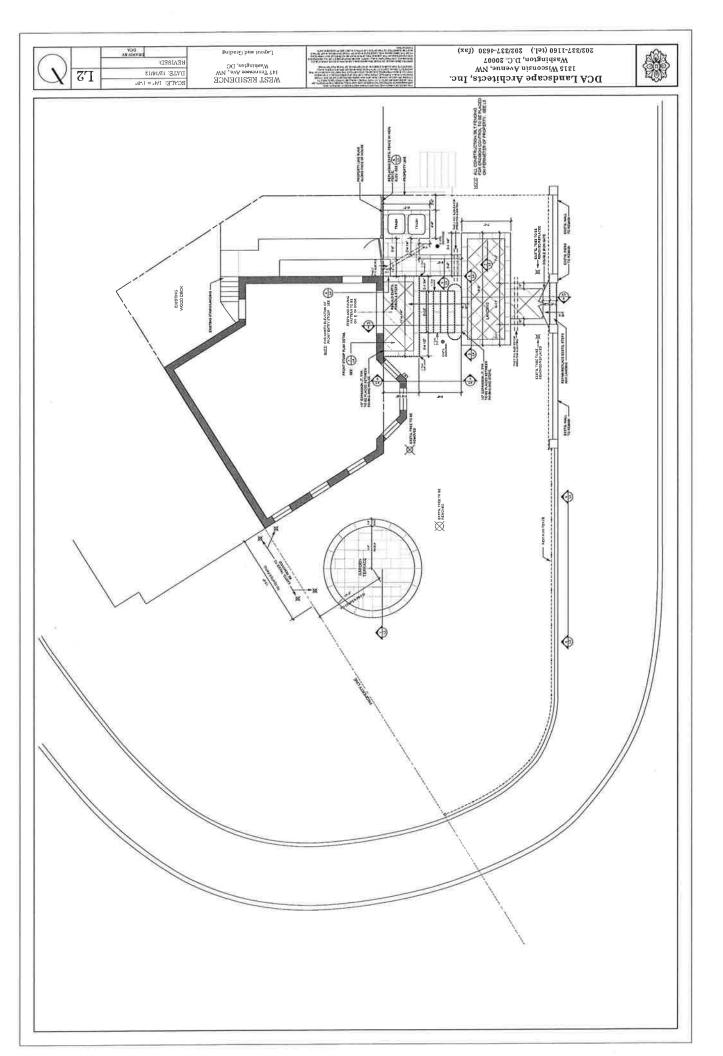
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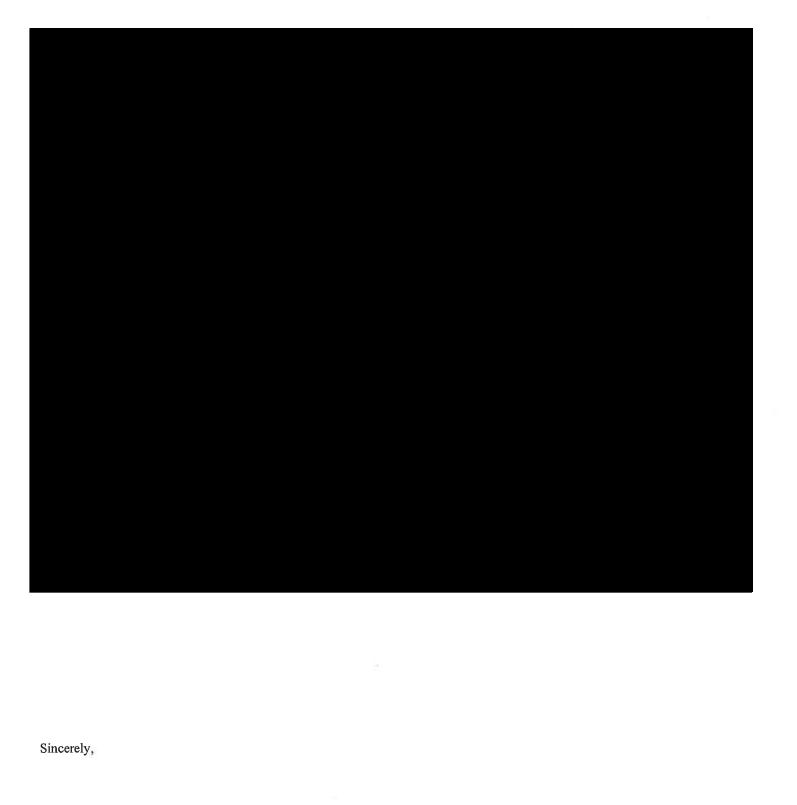
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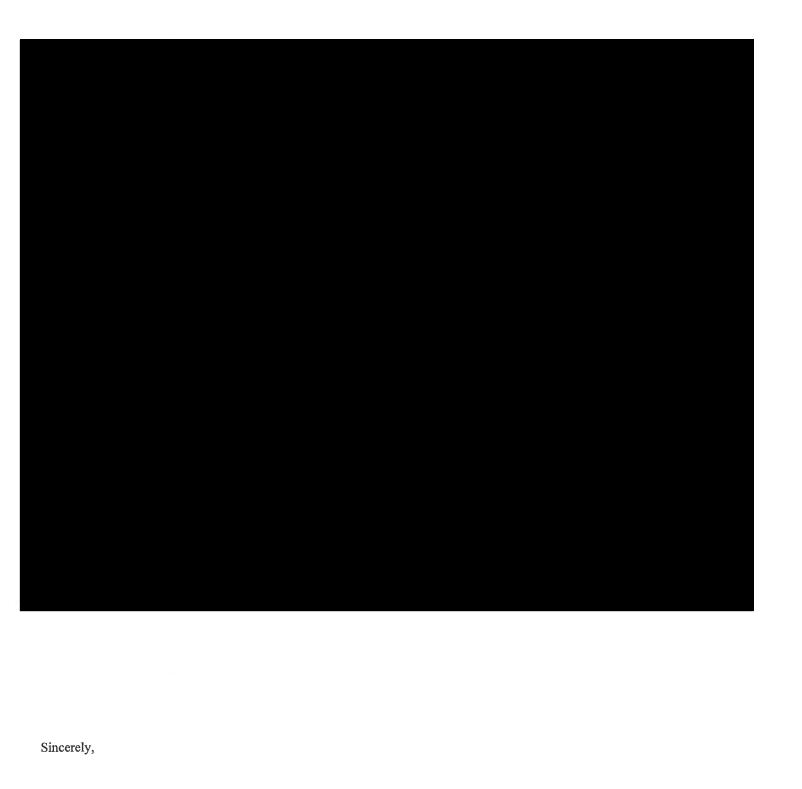
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Washington, D.C., October 2, 2012

Plat for Building Permit of SQUARE 1012 LOT 32

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Receipt No.

12-06316

Furnished to:

JOE HEILMAN

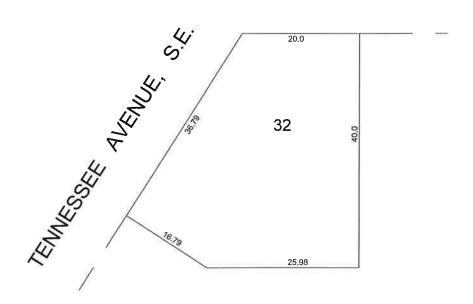
the application; that the foundation plans as shown hereon is drawn, and dimensioned accurately to the same scale as the property lines shown on this plat; and that by reason of the proposed improvements to be erected as shown hereon the size of any adjoining lot or premises is not decreased to an area less than is required by the Zoning Regulations for light and ventilation; and it is further certified and agreed that accessible parking area where required by the Zoning Regulations will be reserved in accordance with the Zoning Regulations, and that this area has been correctly drawn and dimensioned hereon. It is further agreed that the elevation of the accessible parking area with respect to the Highway Department approved curb and alkey grade will not result in a rate of grade along centerline of driveway at any point on private property in excess of 20% for single-family dwellings or flats, or in excess of 12% at any point for other buildings. (The policy of the Highway Department permits a maximum driveway grade of 12% across the public parking and the private restricted property.) Date: _ Surveyor, D.C. By: A.S.

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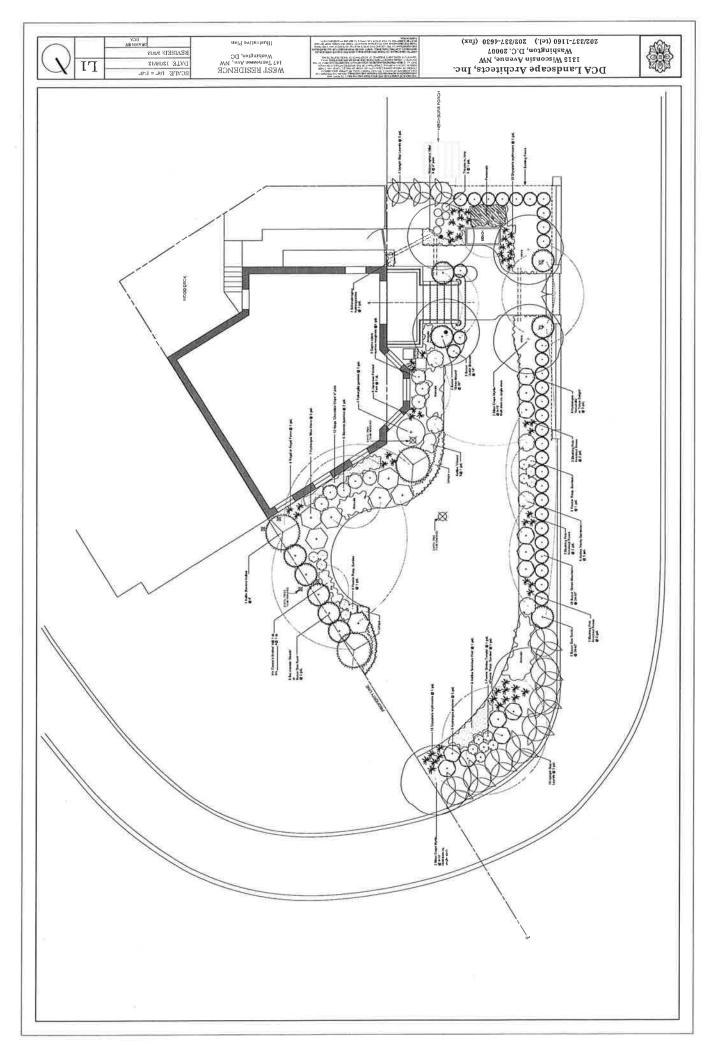
I hereby certify that all existing improvements shown hereon, are completely dimensioned, and are correctly platted; that all proposed buildings or construction, or parts thereof, including covered porches, are correctly dimensioned and platted and agree with plans accompanying the application; that the foundation plans as shown hereon is drawn, and dimensioned

(Signature of owner or his authorized agent)









From:

Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Sent:

Wednesday, May 15, 2013 11:35 AM

To:

Nicholas Alberti; Davis, Steven A. (DDOT); pjoseph@dccouncil.us;

Stephen.Syphax@nps.gov

Cc:

Powell, Jeffrey (DDOT); Marcou, Matthew (DDOT); Wells, Thomas (COUNCIL); Amaya,

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Subject:

RE: Federal Reservation 266 - Adjacent to 147 Tenn. Ave NE

Good morning all, in regards to Permit # PA78078 for 147 Tenn. Ave SE. It is my recommendation that owner of the said permit stop all work until the proposed landscaping is properly review by the public space committee. I am coping a NPS representative for assistance as far as encroachment is concerned.

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From: Nicholas Alberti [mailto:alberti6a04@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2013 10:10 PM

To: Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Cc: Powell, Jeffrey (DDOT); Marcou, Matthew (DDOT); Wells, Thomas (COUNCIL)

Subject: Federal Reservation 266 - Adjacent to 147 Tenn. Ave NE

Mr. James,

I understand that the public space adjacent to 147 Tenn. Ave NE was inspected to today (5/14). Do you have an update on DDOT's assessment of the appropriateness of the new landscaping installed by the owners of 147 Tenn Ave NE which restricts public access to this public park (a federal reservation)

I'm also forwarding a message I received from a constituent this afternoon (see below). The email describes an encounter Ms. Grandelli had with the owner of

147 Tenn. Ave. This encounter occurred while Ms. Grandelli was walking with her two young children on the public space. I've learned that this was quite a heated discussion during which the owner told Ms. Grandelli she had no right to walk across the public space that has been recently landscaped. Many of my constituents are insisting that they have should have unimpeded access to that public space. I tell you this to impress upon you seriousness of the situation that has been create by the recently installed landscaping. I ask that you resolve this matter quickly and restore unfettered access to the public space for all residents of my community.

Regards, Nick Alberti Commissioner ANC 6A

Forwarded Message	
From: "elizabeth knits@	<elizabeth knits@<="" td=""></elizabeth>
To: kerithgrandelli@	alberti6a04@yahoo.com

Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2013 4:58 PM

Subject: Re: public space at corner of tennesse ave NE

Kerith

Thanks for letting me know. I have cc'd Nick. He is working the issue as comish.

Connected by DROID on Verizon Wireless

----Original message---
From: Kerith Grandelli < kerithgrandelli
To: elizabeth nelson < elizabeth knits
Sent: Tue, May 14, 2013 20:19:35 GMT+00:00

Subject: public space at corner of tennesse ave NE

i elizabeth

i was the with my dog and the guy told me to get off the space. the guy who claimed all the space who lives in the house?

i told him it was public space..

we had "words"

he got in my face.

call me if you want to hear the story.

kerith

Rerith Grandelli

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From:

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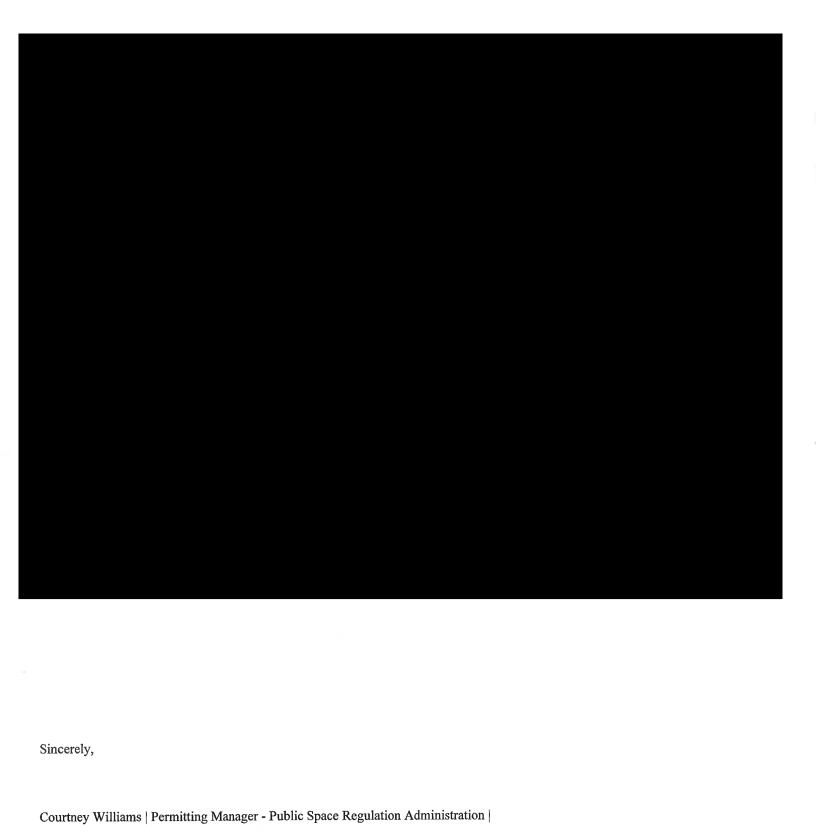
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From:

Ron Hudson <dissey.mac@

Sent:

Tuesday, June 11, 2013 11:15 AM

To: Subject: Henry, James T. (DDOT) Reservation 266 aka TIP

Attachments:

letter resver 266.doc; map of reserve 266.jpg

Mr.Henry,

I have attached to this email a copy of my original letter. In that letter you will find that all the information is relevant with the exception of DOT having control. When written, I was under the impression that the US Park service had given control of the reservation to DOT for public use and public use only. This information may be helpful to your legal staff.

Ron Hudson

CIVIC-MINDED BEAUTIFICATION EFFORTS DOES NOT DENOTE OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY DESIGNATED FOR PUBLIC USE

My response is in regards to the project now here to be known as Triangle Improvement Project (TIP), located in the Nations Capitol at the east end of the one hundred block of Tennessee Avenue, Northeast.

After reading an email from the homeowner who lives next door to the above-mentioned property, I thought it would be necessary for me to share my point of view, seeing that I was indicated as the only detractor mentioned in her email.

I stated my deep concerns with regards to the legal, safety and design concept, as well as the limited accessibility to the public, for the aforementioned project. I would like to take this opportunity to express my concerns. I will list them as follows...

- 1.) (TIP) is a Federal Reservation 266, which is owned and titled by the US Park Service. Control was given to the Department of Transportation (DOT) for public use. As a federal reservation 266, which is deeded and owned by the federal government. The reservation is withdrawal by a Congressional Act pursuant #43USCS. "The term withdrawal means withholding an area of federal land from settlement, sale, location, or entry, under some or all of the general land laws, for the purpose of limiting activities under these laws. In the public laws of the United States, a reservation is a track of land, more or less considerable in extent, which is by public authority withdrawn from sale or settlement and appropriated to specify public use such as parks, military posts, and Indian land."
- 2.) There was no initial outreach or comment solicited on the concept and design for the project. It was solely conceived and designed by the homeowner who resides next door to the property. The design clearly demonstrates or implies that there is private ownership and possession of (TIP).
- 3.) There are possible safety concerns rendering from this design that will develop over the years. Lincoln Park, which is designated as a U.S. Park, is located one block from the above-mentioned property. It was once a part of a redesigned landscaping project in the 70s because of the large shrubbery and bushes that created a haven for criminals hiding and waiting to commit crimes. As a result of many crimes being committed, the design was changed to remove all obscurity and since, has helped to minimize crime, therefore protecting the general public.
- 4.) A few years from now Tennessee Avenue, will be completely blocked and closed, by the shrubbery and bushes that has been planted around the reserve. You will not be able to gain access or see facing the west side standing on Tennessee Avenue, when driving down 13th St. in making a left turn on to the u-shape curb to enter Tennessee Avenue. As a result of this design, your visibility will be extremely limited when entering Tennessee Avenue. Property will be completely enclosed on the Tennessee Avenue side and the shrubbery utilized on the u-shape curbside will grow to approximately 9 feet blocking

entry on u-shape curbside of the lot. The plants that are in front of Tennessee Avenue, where grow at least 6 feet and block. With this design, these obstructions will create a hazardous situation for foot traffic and vehicle traffic alike.

Its very interesting that the design only included the side that abuts Tennessee Avenue at half of the U-shape; if the concern was to improvement of public space...why not include a design that would represent the entire tract?

The mere implications of the design for (TIP) land and conversations with the owner of the adjacent property on the matter, no doubt that the intent is to possess this tract of land and shame the general public from utilizing and stepping foot upon (TIP).

The letter of the law states that this property will be utilized for the best interest of the general public and general public use only. That responsibility should not have been altered when the control was granted to (DOT). This property can never be utilized and/or occupied for personal use or enrichment. Certainly there are concerns about the mere fact improvements are limited, only one side of the lot and does not include a design that would fully encompass the entire tract at Triangle Improvement Project (TIP).

If there was a desire to have a landscape design with the public's best interests in mind and being civic minded only, in my minds eye, I think (DOT) has fully failed the public. When the permit(s) were issued, based on the present day design, there is no assurance that this property will be utilized for public use only. Any landscaping design should have taken in consideration the accessibility to the tract of land to be inviting and not diminish the public utility. Not being able to visualize the impact of this design within the foreseeable futures, over the years to come, is a grave disservice to the public.

No official poll has been taken to ascertain any overall opinion from the general public or neighbors with regards to this project. When fully vetted, I have observed some overwhelming opinions on issues surrounding the project consistent with concerns lamented in this email. After having conversations with individuals living on the immediate block or passing through the neighborhood, I've find that they share the same opinion as I do about the project's design... most people might think it's privately owned (TIP).

It is my hope that civic-minded individuals recognize the need to make this design more inviting and more accessible to the public.

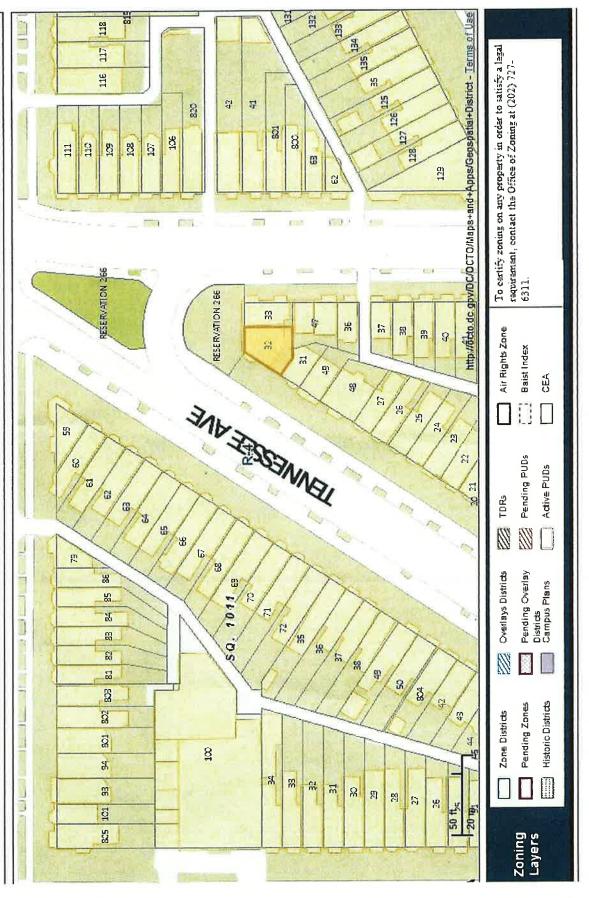
As every civic-minded individual shovel the snow or sweep the dirt from their public sidewalk or even decorate the public tree boxes, no gratuity should be sought for their efforts. If indeed the only objective and concern is to heighten and aesthetically improve public space, then the civic minded act is well served. It should be the only thing sought after and required.

Ronald Hudson



District of Columbia Office of Zoning EXTRACT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ZONING MAP May 4, 2013





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Rhoden, Charma (DDOT)

Sent:

Thursday, May 23, 2013 12:18 PM

To:

Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Subject:

Tenn Ave

Attachments:

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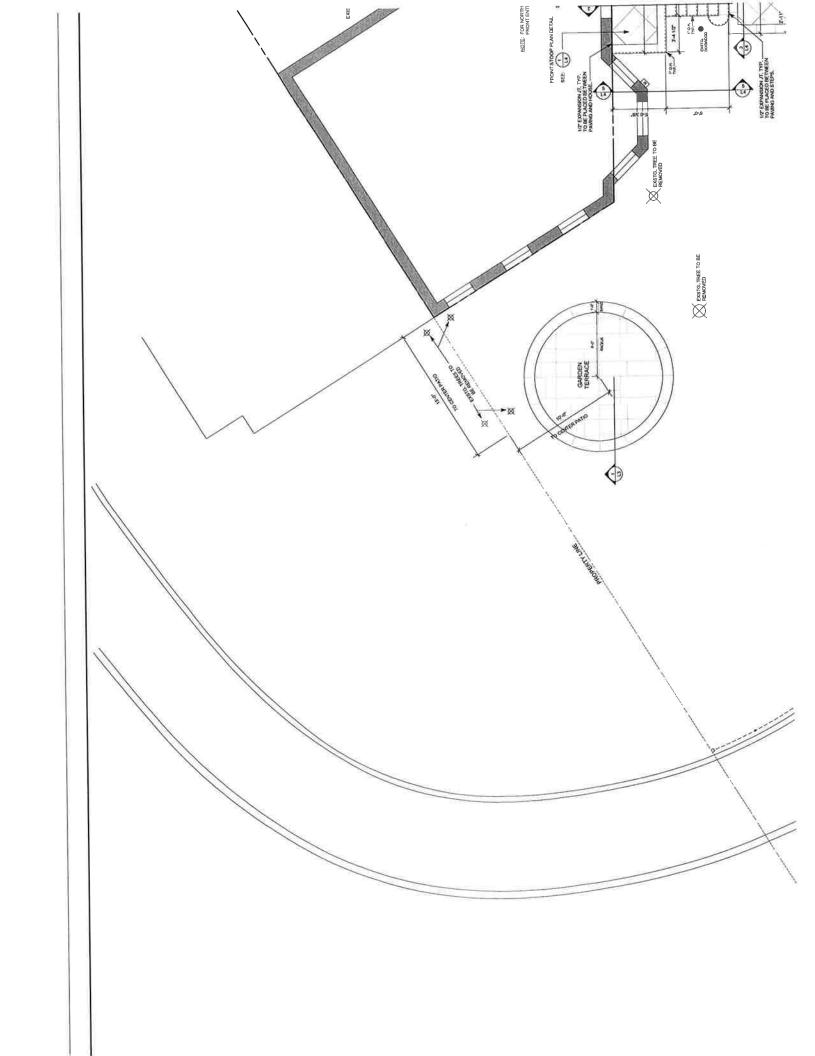
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GOVERNMENT OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 1100 4TH STREET SW / 2ND FLOOR, WASHINGTON, DC 20024 PUBLIC SPACE PERMIT



PERMIT NO: PA78078-R1 EWR No: PA78078 Source Permit: 147 TENNESSEE AVENUE NE, WASHINGTON, DC 20002, Work Location: Permit Fee: \$55.00 Joyce West Permission Granted To: Work Zone Deposit Amount: \$500.00 Work Zone Deposit No: S52341 Inspection Fee Amount: \$100.00 Inspection Fee No: W52342 Street Light Deposit Amount: \$0.00 Street Light Deposit No: Wet Utility Deposit Amount: \$0.00 Wet Utility Deposit No: 1012 Ward: 6 Lot: 0032 Square:

Permission is hereby granted to the entity named above to perform the work described herein at the address shown above in strict accordance With all conditions stated on all pages of this permit as well as on the application submitted.

Type of Permit:

Paving: Leadwalk w/Steps, Landscaping: Hedge to 36" tall, Landscaping: Tree Planting, Landscaping: Tree Removal 2"-6", Projections: Stoop & Steps

Additional Conditions/Work Details:

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Dawn it Empires 07/22/2012

Permit Effective: 05/25/2013 PSMB System	Terry Bellamy	
Public Space Permit Staff	Director	

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Kehoe, Steven (DDOT)

Sent:

Friday, May 24, 2013 2:58 PM

To:

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Cc:

Henry, James T. (DDOT); Freeman, Angela (DDOT); Garrett, Elliott M. (DDOT)

Subject:

147 TENN AVE NE - Today's Meeting Notes



Best regards,

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Cc: O'Brien, Linda (COUNCIL); Henry, James T. (DDOT); Mark Kadesh

Subject: RE: Meeting request 147 Tennessee Ave., NE and Reservation 266 ceded to

Attachments: 147 Tennessee Avenue Emails in Support of Garden.docx; 147 Tennessee Signatures.pdf

May 29, 2013

Dear Chief Garrett and Council Member Wells,

As the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE, we are most grateful for your help in resolving the issue related to our garden renovation which was undertaken with permits from the Department of Transportation Public Space Office, with all the necessary reviews and approvals by the city's zoning, historic preservation, and urban forestry. As we hope you know, we (with the assistance of our reputable landscape architecture firm, DCA) have conscientiously sought to comply with all the city's regulations and received full approval before we proceeded with this project and expended approximately \$55,000 in personal resources to execute the project as approved by the city consistent with our permits.

Our concern is that even though the law and facts seem to support this project, you and other decision makers may develop the false impression that our neighbors and Capitol Hill residents oppose the project because a few people have expressed such strong views and opinions. Consequently, over the Memorial Day Weekend, we asked the neighbors we were able to contact in the community to provide their perspectives. In this short time, I personally was cc'd on 27 emails in strong support of the project from neighbors who have been VERY appreciative that we have spent our own resources to dramatically improve the appearance and value of the entire area. Many others have assured me that they have also or will also send emails in support of the project.

One neighbor who lives directly across from the space in question commented that, "It is totally unfair that a few people who have not participated in maintaining the area can try and stop this improvement. It is a major positive addition to our neighborhood. Of course, I'm prejudiced since I now look at something beautiful, and the past 35+ years have looked at an ugly space." Others had similar comments, saying that it is "a great asset to the neighborhood and a great improvement to the condition of the property." Others have described it as "a wonderful asset" and "a vast improvement on a public space."

In addition, you should know that while I was watering the plants over the weekend, <u>practically every single person</u> who walked by commented on how beautiful the space looked. If you see the before pictures of the project furnished by our landscape architect, it is obvious to see that it is a major transformation and improvement. Importantly, the neighbors and passer-byers seem to generally like the overall design and appearance of the garden as it is now configured as approved by the city.

What we find most perplexing is that we understand the major objection to the project lies in the fact that the bushes go around the perimeter of the space -- perplexing because when you systematically look at ALL of the public spaces adjacent to corner homes in the historic district of Capitol Hill, it is virtually impossible to find one of these corner spaces which doesn't have bushes or fencing along the perimeter. I do think a handful of neighbors perceive this area more as a "Parks and Recreation" type space and would have preferred the design to be more open similar to the Parks and Recreation triangle right across the street which my husband and I have helped to maintain for the past 22 years.

We are grateful to the city for granting us permits to improve the public space adjacent to our home. We would be most grateful to have the opportunity to complete the project as originally permitted and to continue to maintain the space to a much higher standard than we have previously. As I have told my neighbors, our vision for the space is to create and maintain a beautiful ornamental public flower garden for ALL to enjoy as they walk by -- not a secret, hidden

garden space for only our pleasure. While we understand that there are many competing and worthy public space needs on Capitol Hill, we believe developing and using the space in this manner will make a positive contribution to the Capitol Hill Community. We hope this is demonstrated by the attached emails with support from the community.

Thank you again for your consideration and assistance in resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

Joyce West (:) and Mark Kadesh (

147 Tennessee Ave, NE

From: O'Brien, Linda (COUNCIL) [LObrien@DCCOUNCIL.US]

Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2013 3:11 PM

To: Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Cc: Marcou, Matthew (DDOT); Davis, Steven A. (DDOT); Amaya, Juan (DDOT); Kehoe, Steven (DDOT); Aguirre, Jesus

(DPR); Dreist, Roland (DCRA); Joyce West

Subject: Meeting request 147 Tennessee Ave., NE and Reservation 266 ceded to

Hi James and all included:

Appreciate your help at a meeting tomorrow Friday May 24th at 11:00 am at 1100 4th St., SW the surveyor's Office on the third floor regarding what was reservation 266 that was ceded to the District Department of Recreation and that abuts 147 Tennessee Ave., NE. the abutting property owners have been trying to beautify the space and have encountered assorted difficulties. We are convening this meeting to determine who has ultimate authority over the space and the appropriate process for neighbors who wish to beautify public park space. There is urgency to this request as DDOT has issued a stop work order that is costing the property owners undue distress and financial setbacks every moment of delay.

Really appreciate attendance of everyone or another appropriate representative from the office who is aware of the issues this raises and can speak on behalf of their agency.

Thanks so very much!!!

Linda O'Brien

Deputy Chief of Staff Councilmember Tommy Wells 1350 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Suite 402 Washington, DC 20004

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----Original Message-----

From: Melissa Clements < mclements@wc-b.com >

To: twells < twells@dccouncil.us > Cc: Alan P. Dye < adye@wc-b.com > Sent: Tue, May 28, 2013 12:31 pm

Subject: from Alan P. Dye

Alan P. Dye118 Tennessee Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20002

May 28, 2013

VIA EMAIL twells@dccouncil.usThe Honorable Tommy Wells Member District of Columbia City Council

Dear Councilman Wells:

Our neighbors, Joyce West and Mark Kadesh, have resided at 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE for about 20 years. During that time they have been the best possible neighbors, maintaining their property impeccably, caring for the small park across from their home (that neither the District nor the Park Service seems willing to maintain), and helping other neighbors regularly.

Last year they decided to attempt to improve the area directly north of their home, bordering on the circular driveway that I have mentioned to you in previous correspondence. At substantial cost, they went through all of the required permitting processes at the District of Columbia and were issued a permit to do the work. At great additional cost, they began the work, creating a landscaped garden, a great asset to the neighborhood and a great improvement on the condition of the property prior to undertaking the project.

Becky and I both support the project enthusiastically, as do almost all of the neighbors on the block. Apparently there are a few neighbors, a small minority, who for some reason which I have yet to understand, oppose the project but did not see fit to register their opposition with the District of Columbia when the permits were sought or the Building Permit posted. They recently obtained a stop work order. This seems to us to be a totally unfair situation. These people have done everything they can to improve a neighborhood in your ward and have gone through all of the required legal processes to obtain approval for what they did. It seems completely unreasonable to allow a very few neighbors, who waived their opportunity to object when the objection could be entertained at little cost, to stop this project and impose upon these good people significant cost. Becky and I urge you to do whatever you can to rectify this unfair situation.

Very truly yours,	
Alan P. and Rebecca C. Dye	_
Melissa Clements, Webster, Chamberlain & Bean 1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20000	5

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Subject: 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE

From: Ruth Oyen < ruthoyen@

To: Elliott.Garrett@dc.gov, Twells@dcxounxil.US, lobrien@dccoincil.us

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I understand there have been complaints about the beautification of the public space adjoining my neighbor's property at 147 Tennessee. I have lived here, directly across the street from this space, since 1977. The space has always been an eye soar, and the kids couldn't even safely play there without their balls rolling into the street. The current landscaping is beautiful, and children can play inside the outer bushes and be safe. We should all be thanking Joyce and Mark for their major contribution to our neighborhood. Properties around us are selling for more and more every day, and these new families no doubt expect beautification. Joyce and Mark have also participated in trying to beautify the triangle park. I have helped with that in conjunction with NLPNA and trees for Capitol Hill, but Joyce and Mark have gone so far above and beyond what everyone else has done. They deserve a commendation for their efforts to beautify our neighborhood not complaints from a small group of neighbors. Perhaps those complaining are jealous because they did not have the foresight, patience, and ability to make it happen. It is totally unfair that a few people who have not participated in maintaining the area can try and stop this improvement. It is a major positive addition to our neighborhood. Of coruse, I'm prejudice, since I now look at something beautiful, and the past 35+ years have looked at an ugly space.

Please do not let the few make the majority suffer.

Ruth Oven

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From: Allison May Rosen <amayrosen@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, May 28, 2013 at 11:56 AM

Subject: 147 Tennessee Ave NE

To: Twells@dccouncil.us, Elliott.Garrett@dc.gov, Lobrien@dccouncil.us

Cc: dean rosen <darosen@hotmail.com>

To Whom it May Concern

We are long time Capitol Hill neighborhood residents and were thrilled to see the efforts being undertaken by the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue to transform the DC public space to the north of their home into a flower garden for all to enjoy.

Even with all the improvements to the neighborhood over the years, there are still many spaces that have been ignored.

The work Joyce West and Mark Kadesh have undertaken on Tennessee Avenue, NE greatly improves the space and is a wonderful asset for the neighborhood. We understand that over the twenty-plus years the family has lived in their home that they have mowed and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility, as well as helped to mow the triangle park across the street. While hard to believe, we have been made aware that a few people have complained and are now trying to stop this improvement. We wanted to be sure and write to you as well so you had a complete picture of views from neighbors. We are highly supportive of this garden project. It is a vast improvement on a public space and we are grateful to Mark and Joyce for their long term commitment and investment into our neighborhood.

We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue. Regards,

Allison and Dean Rosen

From: Jennifer Pharaoh

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 1:41 PM

To: 'twells@dccouncil.us' **Subject:** 147 Tennessee NE

Dear Tommy:

I am a proud Ward 6 resident and a supporter of your efforts to make all of Washington, DC a walkable and livable City.

It has come to my attention that a stop work order from the City has been imposed on Capitol Hill residents at 147 Tennessee Ave, NE, who have taken the initiative to improve DC public space north of the their home through the planting of an ornamental garden. It is also my understanding that they have worked in good faith to obtain all of the necessary permits and other approvals and that, for more than 20 years, they have mowed and maintained the space. If she were alive today, Lady Bird Johnson would surely applaud their neighborhood beautification efforts.

I hope you will seek and support the removal of the stop work order to allow the planting of the garden as designed to proceed.

Thank you for your consideration!

Jennifer<u>Pharaoh</u>

HOME: Washington, DC 20002

From: Sanju Misra [mailto:sanjumisra@ Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 3:19 PM

To: Wells, Thomas (COUNCIL); Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov; Lobrien@DCcouncil.US

Subject: 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE public space permit

Dear CM Wells and Mr. Garrett,

I am writing in support of the owners/residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE, Ms. West and Mr. Kadesh. I understand that they have maintained the public space adjacent to the north of their property for over 20 years, removing rubbish, mowing, and otherwise keeping the area clean and well-maintained. Their efforts, at their own expense and time, benefits the neighborhood, both nearby neighbors, but also all of us who live nearby and walk these streets regularly, by ensuring a clean and beautiful street scape.

I further understand that Ms. West and Mr. Kadesh had received permits from the City to landscape said public space as an ornamental flower garden, accessible to the public and at no cost to the District. Despite having gone through the proper process to undertake this (frankly) gift to the City, they have now received a stop work order apparently on the basis of a small but vocal opposition.

It is difficult for the District to extensively landscape and otherwise maintain every sliver lot and handkerchief public space but those spaces are part of the fabric of this City and can contribute to the beauty of our neighborhoods. The civic responsibility of people like Ms. West and Mr. Kadesh who are willing to use their own resources to beautify public space is commendable and should be supported. These small public spaces can be gems and we are lucky when private citizens are willing to make the effort. Beautiful streets and neighborhoods are part of ensuring that the District continues to be at the forefront of livable, walkable urban environments. I urge you to withdraw the stop work order and allow Ms. West and Mr. Kadesh to continue the publicly accessible ornamental flower garden project.

Best, Sanju Misra

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From: Jennifer Boulanger < jenniferboulanger@

Date: Tue, May 28, 2013 at 3:58 PM

Subject: Support for 147 Tennessee Ave NE Landscaping

To: Twells@dccouncil.us, Elliott.Garrett@dc.gov, Lobrien@dccouncil.us

I am writing in support of an important effort by Joyce West and Mark Kadish, the owners of 147 Tennessee Avenue NE to beautify the DC public space to the north of their home. Their effort is to be commended. In this era of more limited public resources, the efforts of DC residents to maintain and even improve public space should be lauded. Ms. West and Mr. Kadish have put considerable effort into taking care of this parcel of land for over 20 years. Additionally, they have demonstrated their commitment to public gardens on Capitol Hill by mowing the triangle park across the street and to spearheading the landscaping of the SE Public Library. And now they have attempted to further enhance this space with landscaping – at their own expense. This new landscaping improves the overall appearance of the land and of

the entire area. I support this new landscaping and urge you to allow this work to continue.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Boulanger



From: JOEMILBY@

To: twells@dccouncil.us, elliott.garrett@dc.gov, lobrien@dccouncil.us

Sent: 5/28/2013 3:33:33 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time Subj: Landscape Renovation at 147 Tennessee Ave., NE

We would like to voice our support for the generous efforts put forth by Mark Kadish and Joyce West to renovate the public space at 147 Tennessee Ave, N.E.

Having seen the unkept area near their home, the approved improvements will not only look a thousand times better, but will improve the overall appearance of this end of Tennessee Avenue as an appropriate balance to Lincoln Park at the other end.

At a time when budget cut backs are making front page news, such a private/public collaboration seems to make good fiscal sense and shows pride in our community.

We would ask that you support this project and allow its completion as soon as possible.

Sincerely, Joe Milby

From: mmanlev440@

To: Twells@DCcouncil.US, "Elliott Garrett@DC.gov>, Lobrien@DCcouncil.US, "Elliott Garrett" Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov, Lobrien@DCcouncil.US

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 3:32:53 PM

Subject: Regarding 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE Garden Renovation

Dear Council Member Wells and Mr. Garrett

I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive of Joyce West and Mark Kadesh, residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. I know Joyce and Mark have lived there for over twenty years and have mowed and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well. While we are aware that a few people in the neighborhood have complained, it is outrageous that those who have never helped to maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

As I celebrate living on the Hill for 20 years myself, I continue to be amazed by the naysayers in this community when residents step up and take on responsibilities to better the neighborhood. Please allow this garden to move forward.

Best regards,

Mary Ann Grena Manley

From: suzanne-home@l

To: "Elliott Garrett" < Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov > Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 3:40:46 PM

Subject: Neighborhood improvement project at 13th and Tennessee, NE

Dear Mr. Garrett,

I am writing to ask for your strong support for a neighborhood project that is contributing to the public space, and safety, of my neighborhood, but has been suspended by a stop work order. Please vote to retract the stop work order and let work continue on this modest project that will have direct and positive impact for many years into the future.

The residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE have created plans and begun work to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden to be enjoyed by the public. The design and new plantings directly and dramatically improve the specific space, and are a huge improvement for the neighborhood. Their work to clean and plan the space, and eventually to maintain the garden will make the corner a welcoming public space and contribute to the safety and therefore walkability of the neighborhood. And by example, their success will encourage others to make similar investments for the betterment of the neighborhood.

I know these residents have lived at 147 Tennessee for over twenty years and have taken responsibility to mowed and care for that space as directed by the city. Further, over the years they have consistently helped mow the adjacent triangle park as well. It would be a lost opportunity if these long-time residents who have demonstrated a commitment to the neighborhood for more than two decades and who, through this project are trying to continue to make it safe, livable and walkable, are stymied in their efforts to make improvements for the benefit of all.

I hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

Many thanks for your consideration, and for supporting city residents in actively contributing to neighborhood improvements.

Suzanne Brown Ward 6 resident since 1995 From: Anne Barnes < annebarnes@

Subject: In support of the garden project in the lot adjacent to 147

Tennessee Ave NE

Date: May 28, 2013 9:21:44 AM EDT

To: Twells@DCcouncil.US, Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov, Lobrien@DCcouncil.US

I am writing to let you know that I am highly supportive of the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. As long term Capitol Hill residents (14 years), we firmly believe that nothing makes our neighborhood more livable, walkable, and safe then our residents' hard work at gardening, caring for our homes & keeping our parks and public spaces clean and maintained. It is in keeping up our living spaces, that we provide safe places to walk and enjoy, and where our children can play, and this by default thwarts crime and promotes the neighborly village we can all thrive in.

We feel that the design and new plantings in the lot adjacent to 147 Tennessee Ave NE greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. Mark Kadesh and Joyce West have lived at 147 Tennessee for over twenty years. As stalwart Capitol Hill residents involved in many volunteer organizations on the Hill, they have mowed and cared for that space all the while, as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well.

I can't imagine why anyone would take issue with Joyce and Mark cleaning up and beautifying the area. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

Anne and Todd Barnes

From: Mazza, Anne-Marie

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 8:41 AM

To: 'Twells@DCcouncil.US'; 'Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov'

Cc: 'Lobrien@DCcouncil.US'; Carl Mazza

Subject: garden renovation 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE

Dear Mr. Wells and Mr. Garrett-

We are writing regarding the garden renovation at 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE.

We have resided at 156 Tennessee Avenue, NE (directly across from 147) since 1989. During this time we have observe the consistent care that Mr. Kadesh and Ms. West have provided for the semi-circle next to their home and to the triangle across from their home. Not only have they maintained these public spaces over the years (cutting the grass, trimming the aggressive hedge that abutted the space), they also purchased a lawnmower for the space, and compensated a neighborhood man for mowing the lawn, picking up debris, and removing the poison ivy. As far as we know, none of the few individuals who have used the space next to the Kadesh/West home have ever contributed to the care and upkeep of these public spaces.

We believe the proposed garden renovation will increase the beauty of the block. Additionally, we believe the cleanup of the triangle, which is also underway (thanks to a \$1000 grant that was obtained by Ms. West and endorsed by neighbors) will provide another community friendly space for all residents to enjoy.

We strongly encourage you to support the garden renovation.

Sincerely, Carl and Anne-Marie Mazza

Anne-Marie Mazza, Ph.D.

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From: Jeremy Wiley [mailto:jwiley3498@ Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 11:55 AM

To: twells@dccouncil.us; lobrien@dccouncil.us; elliott.garrett@dc.gov

Subject: 147 Tennessee Ave. NE improvements

I am strongly supportive of the landscaping improvements being made to the public space by my neighbors (Mark Kadesh and Joyce West) at 147 Tennessee Ave. NE. Mark and Joyce have lived at 147 Tennessee for over 20 years and have consistently maintained the space at their own expense for all of that time. I have lived directly across from the area at 158 Tennessee Ave. NE since 1998, and I can attest to the fact that this was planned and started with the best intentions, with the primary goal of creating a space that the whole neighborhood will enjoy. Now, when Mark and Joyce decide to vastly improve that space at their own expense and in a good faith effort to adhere to the permit process, they are being opposed by a miniscule group of vocal neighbors who have never helped to maintain the area and who, in most cases, have only used the space as an area for their dogs to urinate and defecate. The vocal few have disregarded the facts, deliberately trampled on the new plantings, and aggressively confronted Mark and Joyce. The behavior of these few opponents has been outrageous and it would be an utter shame if they were to prevent these much needed improvements from happening. I join Mark and Joyce and many others on Tennessee Ave. NE in supporting this wonderful addition to our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Wiley

From: david.lubitz@

Date: May 27, 2013 4:11:18 PM Subject: 147 Tennessee Avenue

To: Twells@DCcouncil.US, Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov, Lobrien@DCcouncil.US

Dear Council Member Wells et al.:

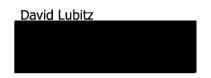
I am a resident of Capitol Hill (210 5th Street, N.E.), and I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive of the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and the neighborhood.

I know Mark Kadesh and Joyce West, who have lived in their house at 147 Tennessee Avenue for over twenty years. During this time, they have mowed and cared for the public space north of their home, as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility to do so. They have taken it upon themselves to further improve the space. The public benefit to the improvements that they have invested in should be self-evident. Mark and Joyce are quite public spirited -- they have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street from their house.

While I have been told that a few people in the neighborhood have complained, I think that those people are under a misapprehension that the space is something other than the same kind of space that is adjacent to or in the front of all of our Capitol Hill homes. It is also ironic that people who have never helped to maintain the space are now trying to stop its improvement.

I hope that you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue. It is bizarre that Mr. Kadesh and Ms. West, who have followed the rules, are now being told that they should not improve space that abuts their house in a way that benefits the public.

Sincerely,



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>From: bamcoast@

>Sent: May 27, 2013 10:43 AM

>To: Twells@DCcouncil.US, Lobrien@DCcouncil.US, Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov

>Subject: Lot adjacent to 147 Tennessee Ave NE

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>Dear Sirs:

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>I am writing in support of the neighborhood beautification project that Joyce West and Mark Kadesh have installed on the public space adjacent to their property at 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE. Ms. West and Mr. Kadesh are 20+ year owners of their home at 147 Tennessee Ave, NE, and for 20+ years they have mowed and maintained the adjacent public space, as well as contributed to the maintenance of the nearby triangle park. Through good times in the neighborhood and bad times, they have faithfully maintained this land, helping to keep the neighborhood attractive and appealing.

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>After careful thought, Ms. West and Mr. Kadesh decided to invest their own time and money in further beautifying a space that is enjoyed by the entire neighborhood. They made sure to get all of the necessary permits from the DC Department of Transportation, and underwent the necessary reviews

and approvals from the zoning and historic preservation groups. Once these permits and approvals were in hand, they moved forward on a beautification project that is attractive, well-planned, and open to all in the neighborhood to enjoy.

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>As a long-term resident of Capitol Hill myself (24 years), I greatly appreciate those neighbors who take the time and make the effort to maintain public space on the Hill. We are blessed as a neighborhood to have lots of public land in the form of pocket parks, larger open spaces, and the side and front yards along many of our streets. My husband and I work hard to maintain our home, and to plant and care for street trees, keep sidewalks weeded and cared-for, and do the myriad tasks that are necessary to keep our neighborhood attractive. Yet around us are neighbors who shirk their responsibilities and let their street trees die, the pocket parks wither, and public spaces languish. It is to Ms. West's and Mr. Kadesh's credit that they have not only maintained the public space adjacent to their home for the past twenty-plus years, but have taken the additional steps to obtain the necessary permits and spend their own money to beautify this plot.

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>Those of us who have lived on the Hill for many years know that a street's appearance contributes to the public safety of the area, property values, and livability. Ms. West's and Mr. Kadesh's commitment to their neighborhood should be commended, not threatened. I hope that their project can continue, and urge you to support it.

> >Sincerely, > >Beth Millemann

Hi Tommy,

This is a short note to let you know I fully support the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden. What Joyce and Mark have done is transform the space into an attractive area for the neighborhood. It's truly a major improvement. While I know they have lived there for over twenty years, I had no idea that DC DPR had told them that it was their responsibility to care for that space. They have also helpfed to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well. While a few people in the neighborhood have complained, it is shameful that those who have never helped to maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue."



Dear Mr. Garrett,

I want you to know I am highly supportive of the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. I know they have lived there for over twenty years and have mowed and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well. While we are aware that a few people in the neighborhood have complained, it is shameful that those who have never helped maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

With appreciation,

Sig Cohen
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smceagle@
sigcohen@toughconversations.net

Dear Tommy,

I am writing in <u>support</u> of the improvements at 147 Tennessee Avenue SE by Mark Kadesh and Joyce West.

I am writing to let you know i am supportive of the plans to make the DC public space to the north of 147 Tennessee Avenue SE an ornamental flower garden based on the permitted designs. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood.

I have known the residents of 147 Tennessee for 12 years. Joyce West is an avid gardner and has worked on public space gardens all over Capitol Hill - I can recall her work with girl scout troops and with the SE Library. I know they have lived at their current address for over twenty years and undoubtably been involved in improving public spaces closer to home.

Joyce is clear about her intentions and has said that her "wish and vision for that space (as we have been told by the city for the past 22 years that we were responsible for maintaining it) is that we are able to make it and maintain it as a beautiful ornamental flower garden for ALL to enjoy in the neighborhood -- not a secret, private hidden garden space."

While I not aware of all the details of the complaints, I hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and work permit the landscape work to continue. Joyce is such an avid gardener, any space would be improved under her care.

Thank you,

Dana Carstarphen

From: Megan Shapiro [mailto:meganshapiro@

Sent: Saturday, May 25, 2013 4:16 PM

To: Twells@DCcouncil.US; Lobrien@DCcouncil.US; Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov

Subject: Lot Adjacent to 147 Tennessee Ave NE

I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive of the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. As a DC area, and specifically Capitol Hill-dwelling Realtor (REMAX Allegiance) and business owner (THE SILVER SPORK), I firmly believe that nothing makes our neighborhood more livable, walkable, and safe then our residents' hard work at gardening, caring for our homes & keeping our parks and public spaces clean and maintained. It is in keeping up our appearance that we provide safe places to walk and enjoy, and where our children can play, and this by default thwarts crime and promotes the neighborly village we can all thrive in.

The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. Mark Kadesh and Joyce West have lived at 147 Tennessee for over twenty years. As stalwart Capitol Hill residents involved in many volunteer organizations on the Hill, they have mowed and cared for that space all the while, as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well.

I can't imagine why anyone would take issue with Joyce and Mark cleaning up and beautifying the area. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

Meg

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From: jparet@

Date: 05/24/2013 6:49 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: Twells@DCcouncil.US,elliot.garrett@dc.gov,lobrien@dccouncil.us

Subject: 147 Tennessee Ave NE Garden renovation

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive of the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. I know they have lived there for over twenty years and have mowed and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well. While we are aware that a few people in the neighborhood have complained, it is outrageous that those who have never helped to maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

I am a 30 plus year resident of Capital Hill, and have seen my corner of NE change substantially for the better through efforts of concerned and active residents, who give of their own time and money to make improvements in the neighborhood, and in streetscapes. We should not be discouraging such efforts, in order to facilitate others who primarily want a place for their animals to defecate and otherwise degrade property. I have frequently walked past this particular bit of property, and remember all too well when it was nothing more than a trash-strewn weedpatch, used by some for animal waste and trash they didn't care enough to properly place in receptacles. It has been lovingly and carefully tended over the past decades plus by the neighboring property owners, who have now undertaken at what must be considerable expense, a plan to integrate the parcel and plant it with beautiful shrubs and flowers for the benefit of all who pass by and the entire neighborhood. Thank you for your time, attention and consideration of my views.

Sincerely.

Jonathan Paret

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From: Marcio Duffles [mailto:mduffles@ Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 6:28 PM

To: Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov **Cc:** Joyce West; Tracey Weisler

Subject: Support of Landscape Project on 147 Tenn Ave NE

Dear Mr. Garrett:

I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive of the residents of <u>147 Tennessee Avenue</u>'s plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. I know they have lived there for over twenty years and have mowed and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have

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Thank you,

Marcio Duffles

Sent from my iPhone

----Original Message----

From: Cortes, Manuel [mailto:Manuel.Cortes@cbmove.com]

Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 6:17 PM

To: Twells@DCcouncil.US

Cc: Lobrien@DCcouncil.US; Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov

Subject: 147 Tennessee Ave NE

Importance: High

Dear Mr. Wells,

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of my neighbor Joyce and Mark of their garden design plans located at 147 Tennessee Avenue NE to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. The design and new plantings have greatly improved the space and it have become a major improvement for the neighborhood.

Over the past thirteen years since I moved to Tennessee Ave. they have helped to mow the triangle park across the street as well as have cared for the space next to their house as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility.

While we are aware that a few people in the neighborhood have complained, it is outrageous that those who have never helped to maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. Improvements that are made for the safety and enjoyment of the kids and adults that live nearby, I hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue it will be a great assets for the street and the community.

Regards,

Manuel

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From: Steve Lawlor [mailto:steve@lawlorarchitects.com]

Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 6:02 PM

To: Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov; Lobrien@DCcouncil.US; Twells@DCcouncil.US

Subject: 147 Tennessee Ave NE

To whom it may concern,

I am writing regarding 147 Tennessee Ave NE and the public space landscape improvements that have been made by the Joyce West and Mark Kadesh. So often, quasi-parklike public spaces get neglected because they fall through the cracks of responsibility. In this case, the owners of 147 Tennessee have been dutifully maintaining this public space; mowing the grass, cleaning up trash, removing bottles and broken glass, and ultimately landscaping the area so that it appears as well kept as the surrounding neighbors. This sense of civic duty should be applauded and encouraged as it's an act of generosity and respect for the community. As you are aware, even well intended, selfless deeds some are greeted with cynicism and hostilility by others. I guess that's the nature of our city. However, we would all be better off if everyone was willing to contribute to the general good of the neighborhood and not just look out for themselves. I strongly support the landscape and maintenance work the Joyce and Mark have undertaken.

Sincerely,

Steve Lawlor and Susan Ades

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steve@lawlorarchitects.com

From: Jon Wadsworth [mailto:jrwadsworth18@

Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 4:41 PM

To: Lobrien@DCcouncil.US; Twells@DCcouncil.US

Cc: Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov

Subject: Please Allow the Completion of work at 147 Tennessee Avenue

Council Member Wells and Public Space Chief Elliott Garrett:

The residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue have done an incredible job of beautifying our neighborhood. For over twenty years they have mowed and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well.

I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive their plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. Prior to this the space was bland and forgotten. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and is a major improvement for the neighborhood.

DC Department of Transportation public space office has granted all the necessary permits (as confirmed with the city this morning that the space was transferred from the federal parks department to DC Dept of Transportation), with the necessary reviews and approvals from zoning and historic preservation.

Despite this, a few people in the neighborhood have complained. It is outrageous that those who have never helped to maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

This is a space that will improve the value of the neighborhood, increase its beauty, and benefit everyone. Please to not let the unfounded complaints of a small number of malcontents ruin this needed project for everyone.

Jon Wadsworth

From: cynthia whittlesey [mailto:cynthiawhittlesey@

Sent: Friday, May 24, 2013 4:19 PM **To:** O'Brien, Linda (COUNCIL)

Subject: Fw: In support of 147 Tennessee Avenue landscaping

Dear Ms. Obrien:

I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive of the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. I know they have lived there for over twenty years and have mowed and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well. While we are aware that a few people in the neighborhood have complained, it is outrageous that those who have never helped to maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

thank you,

Cynthia Whittlesey

From: Barbara Larkin < blackinde@

Date: May 24, 2013, 9:37:37 PM EDT

Subject: Lot adjacent to 147 Tennessee Ave NE

I understand that a controversy has developed over the very substantial improvements that are being made by the owners of 147 Tennessee Ave NE to the public space north of their home. This is most unfortunate.

I have lived across the street from 147 Tennessee for 27 years. During that time I have never seen that space used for what I would consider a "public purpose" - no picnics, ball games, gardening or children playing. In fact the only use I have ever seen made of that space is by dog walkers who utilize it to let their pets relieve themselves. Most clean up after them, but many do not. Others leave trash, bottles, etc for others to deal with - rendering the space inappropriate and possibly dangerous for children. As you can imagine, the lot was not attractive. Although it was a green space, it consisted largely of weeds and collected refuse at a rapid rate, and frankly had become an eyesore.

The burden of caring for that space has fallen squarely on the residents of 147 Tennessee, who have regularly mowed the lot and kept up with the rapidly accumulating trash there as best they can. They have consistently helped maintain the triangle park across the street during this time as well. Although it may on rare occasions have happened, in the time I have lived here I have never seen any other residents of the 100 block of Tennessee Ave or the immediate vicinity do anything to help maintain the lot in question.

When I saw the work begin across the street I was delighted. That empty lot and the triangle

across the street are the first thing you see when you enter the block from either direction. The design and new plantings underway are beautifully planned and executed. It is well on its way to becoming a lovely flower garden that we will ALL benefit from and enjoy and represents an enormous improvement over the status quo. I consider myself lucky to have neighbors who are willing to expend their own time, energy, talent and money to create such a lovely space for all to enjoy. The District should encourage such generosity - if more of us undertook similar acts the City would be an even more attractive place to live.

It is my understanding that the owners of 147 Tennessee obtained all the requisite permits before work began on the lot, but that the City has issued a stop work order because of a few complaints. I cannot possibly imagine what the complaints could be, and from conversations I have had with many other residents I am confident that these folks are in the minority. I hope that the City will recognize the value of these improvements, and the value many of the neighbors place on them, and allow the work to continue to completion. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Barbara Larkin

Sent from my iPad

From: michelle althuis [mailto:michellealthuis@

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 12:13 PM

To: Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov; Lobrien@DCcouncil.US; Twells@dccouncil.us **Subject:** Support of yard beautification at 147 Tennessee Avenue

I am writing to let you know I am highly supportive of the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue's plans to make the DC public space to the north of their home an ornamental flower garden as it is now designed. The design and new plantings greatly improve the space and it is a major improvement for the neighborhood. I know they have lived there for over twenty years and have moved and cared for that space as DC DPR has told them it was their responsibility. They have also helped to mow the triangle park across the street during that time as well. While we are aware that a few people in the neighborhood have complained, it is outrangeous that those who have never helped to maintain the area are now trying to stop this improvement. We hope you will recognize the value of the improvements and permit the landscape work to continue.

Thank you, Michelle Althuis From: Mac Garrigle, Ellen F. [mailto:emac@mitre.org]

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 6:16 PM

To: Lobrien@DCcouncil.US; Elliott.Garrett@DC.gov; Twells@DCcouncil.US **Subject:** Please lift the "Stop Work" order on 147 Tennessee Ave NE

Ms. O'Brien/Mr. Garrett/Councilmember Wells-

I am writing in support of our friends and neighbors, Mark Kadesh and Joyce Wells, and their landscaping job next door to 147 Tennessee Ave NE.

My husband and I have lived on the Hill for more than 20 years, first on 6th St SE and now on G St SE, and we (as have you) have watched this neighborhood turn the corner and start to become a true model of a "livable walkable community" (to borrow Mr. Wells' phrase). Living in this city provides many benefits -- but it also requires significant additional patience and effort at times, and we have always especially appreciated those residents who were willing to put forth that effort.

Mark and Joyce are at or near the top of that list.

They have always been critical to making life worth living on our neighborhood, and frankly our neighbors are the reason we have stayed on the Hill all these years. Their children attend school with our daughter, Mark coached our daughter in T-ball in X Park all those years ago, and Joyce has been a pillar of our school and of our neighborhood.

Although we live in Southeast and therefore not in their ANC, we drive or bike or walk through it on a frequent basis, and we pass their house several times every week. Two of my Girl Scouts live on Tennessee or around the corner. Two of our daughter's best friends live only two blocks from their house. We walked past there to play soccer until she moved to playing at the Barracks. And I have enjoyed the landscaping on that block over the years – including the bushes and shrubs on the north end of Tennessee.

Too often these days everyone is standing in line to yell at the DC Government, demanding this or asking for that or complaining about this other thing. Navigating the city bureaucracy can be annoying and exasperating, and in these times of tight resources DC often has to choose to spend money on other, higher, priorities.

Yet Mark and Joyce did NOT argue or complain about or ask the city to fix up the neglected empty space next to their house. They instead followed all the rules and obtained all the relevant permits for their work and spent their own time and money to beautify the public space for the benefit of everyone. And the Hill and the District are both better for it.

Allowing this apparent vendetta against their shrubs sends a chilling message to our other neighbors who adopt tree boxes, pocket parks, playgrounds, and small spaces on the Hill. We need <u>more</u> neighbors like Mark and Joyce. My husband and I support their request to lift the "stop work" order, to retain their landscaping, and I ask that their original permit be upheld and that they be allowed to continue to maintain the lovely job that they have done with this "public

commons", in the way that was officially authorized by the city through the permitting process, so as to continue benefitting everyone who sees it.

Please let us know if you have any questions or if there is any more that we can do in support of this effort.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration on this matter –

Ellen Mac Garrigle

Emails also submitted by other Neighbors. I have confirmation from the following that emails were submitted:

Danielle and Brian Boshart (13th Street)
Patrick Newman (Tennessee Avenue)
Elizabeth Drinitzke (Constitution Avenue)
Lynn and Rob Coffman (Maryland Avenue)
John and Chris Schwartz (12 Street (or Park Street?), NE)
Ken and Ellen Mac Garrigle G Street, SE

Dear Council Member Tommy Wells and DC Public Space Chief Elliott Maurice Garrett,

I am signing this letter to let you know I am very pleased with the garden renovation and improvements being made by the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE.

We are grateful to the City's Department of Transportation Public Space Office for granting all the necessary permits (with review and approvals also from DC Zoning and Historic Preservation) to make these improvements possible as the property is owned by the Department of Transportation. We hope you will continue to support this and other neighborhood beautification projects.

While there are many competing pubic space needs, it is wonderful to have a beautiful ornamental flower garden for all to enjoy in the neighborhood. We hope you will continue to allow the neighbors to maintain this newly improved space.

Signed:	
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Name	Street and email address
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Rhoden, Charma (DDOT)

Sent:

Thursday, May 23, 2013 12:19 PM

To:

Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Subject:

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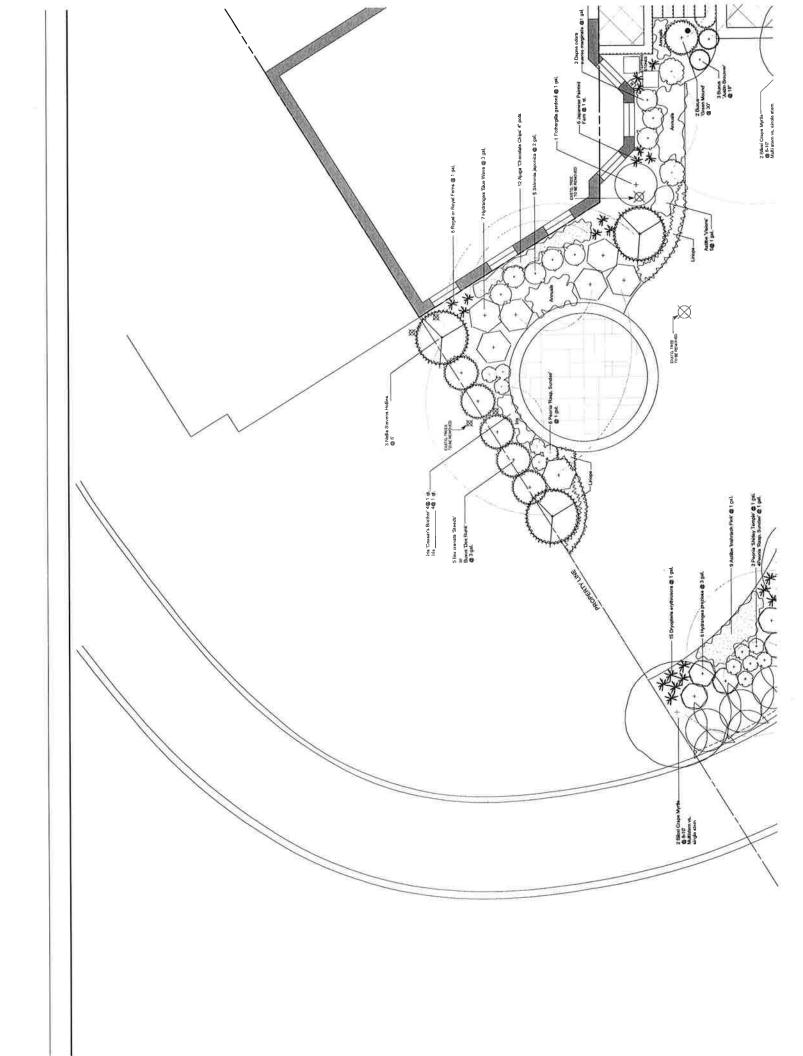
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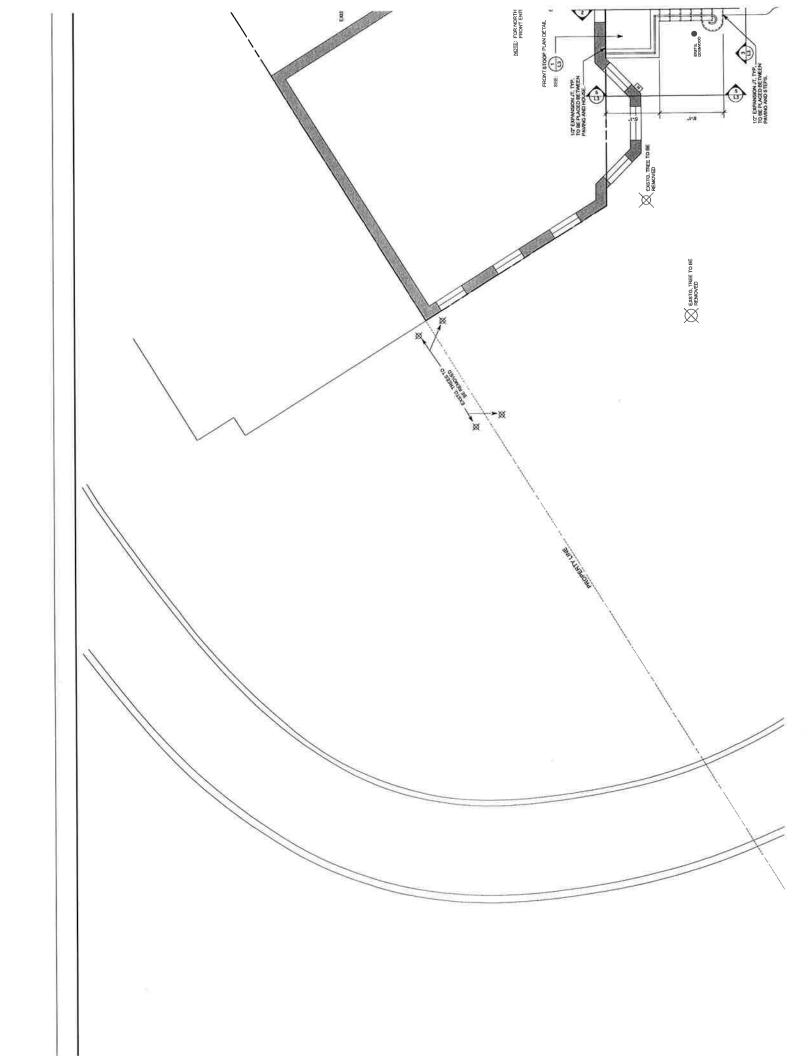
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Subject:

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT OFFICE OF THE SURVEYOR

Washington, D.C., October 2, 2012

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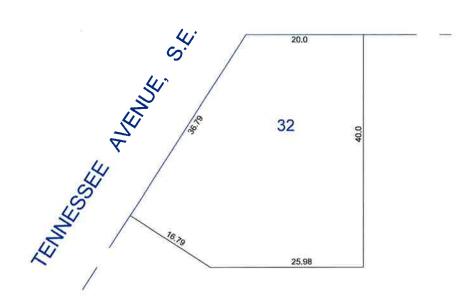
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I hereby certify that all existing improvements shown hereon, are completely dimensioned, and are correctly platted; that all proposed buildings or construction, or parts thereof, including covered porches, are correctly dimensioned and platted and agree with plans accompanying the application; that the foundation plans as shown hereon is drawn, and dimensioned accurately to the same scale as the property lines shown on this plat, and that by reason of the proposed improvements to be erected as shown hereon the size of any adjoining lot or premises is not decreased to an area less than is required by the Zoning Regulations for light and ventilation; and it is further certified and agreed that accessible parking area where required by the Zoning Regulations will be reserved in accordance with the Zoning Regulations, and that this area has been correctly drawn and dimensioned hereon. It is further agreed that the elevation of the accessible parking area with respect to the Highway Department approved curb and alley grade will not result in a rate of grade along centerline of driveway at any point or private property in excess of 20% for single-family dwellings or flats, or in excess of 12% at any point for other buildings. (The policy of the Highway Department permits a maximum driveway grade of 12% across the public parking and the private restricted property.) Dale: _ Surveyor, D.C. By: A.S. (Signature of owner or his authorized agent)

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PUBLIC SPACE



From: Joyce West <JWest@psych.org>

Sent: Monday, June 03, 2013 4:25 PM

To: Garrett, Elliott M. (DDOT); Wells, Thomas (COUNCIL)

Cc: O'Brien, Linda (COUNCIL); Henry, James T. (DDOT); Mark Kadesh

Subject: Are More Emails in Support of the 147 Tennessee Ave Project Needed?

Attachments: 147 Tennessee Avenue Emails in Support of Garden6-1-13.docx

Dear Mr. Garrett and Council Member Wells,

Thank you again for your efforts to resolve this issue and lift the stop work order on the garden renovation permit we received from the city. While we know there continues to be some controversy related to the project, we wanted to emphasize that we are committed to maintaining and caring for that space to the best of our ability.

While we understand that there are a number of people in the community who would have preferred a more open design without ornamental bushes going around the perimeter – which we do understand and appreciate – we wanted to make sure you knew that MANY more people in the community are VERY pleased with the current design and especially pleased to have the space designed as a more manicured, ornamental flower garden – that is accessible and viewable by the public. In fact, we have been copied on approximately thirty emails sent to both of you indicating their support for the new garden. Many others have indicated that they had or would send emails expressing the support for the project as designed.

I am attaching the emails we primarily received from the neighbors we personally know who live near the space in question. While we do know many people on the block, we did not send emails to the entire list serve on our block – and did NOT leave pamphlets or knock on doors of the other neighbors we do not personally know. Would it be helpful for us to reach out to an even broader group to get their input on this so you are more fully aware of the support in the community for this project?

I can honestly tell you that as I have been watering and weeding the garden practically every person who has walked by has commented on how beautiful the space looks. In fact, a number of the emails in support of the project have been from strangers in the neighborhood who were incredulous when I told them the garden was controversial largely because of the design and questions regarding the nature and "ownership of the space."

We are, however, mindful and respectful of the controversy – but we do believe what we have proposed and what was approved by the city was in keeping with the city's rules and regulations regarding the landscaping of public spaces. And based by the feedback we have received from neighbors nearby and passing by (please see attached emails), we do think it reflects the type of design and use of the space that most people would like to see in our neighborhood.

Hopefully this issue can be resolved soon so our community can focus on more constructive and important issues. Please let us know if you think there is anything else we can do.

Sincerely,

Joyce West (

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Voice: 703-907-8619 Fax: 703-907-1087 E-Mail: <u>JWest@Psych.org</u>

From: Joyce West

Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2013 9:51 AM **To:** elliott.garrett@dc.gov; twells@dccouncil.us

Cc: O'Brien, Linda (COUNCIL); Henry, James T. (DDOT); Mark Kadesh

Subject: RE: Meeting request 147 Tennessee Ave., NE and Reservation 266 ceded to

May 29, 2013

Dear Chief Garrett and Council Member Wells,

As the residents of 147 Tennessee Avenue, NE, we are most grateful for your help in resolving the issue related to our garden renovation which was undertaken with permits from the Department of Transportation Public Space Office, with all the necessary reviews and approvals by the city's zoning, historic preservation, and urban forestry. As we hope you know, we (with the assistance of our reputable landscape architecture firm, DCA) have conscientiously sought to comply with all the city's regulations and received full approval before we proceeded with this project and expended approximately \$55,000 in personal resources to execute the project as approved by the city consistent with our permits.

Our concern is that even though the law and facts seem to support this project, you and other decision makers may develop the false impression that our neighbors and Capitol Hill residents oppose the project because a few people have expressed such strong views and opinions. Consequently, over the Memorial Day Weekend, we asked the neighbors we were able to contact in the community to provide their perspectives. In this short time, I personally was cc'd on 27 emails in strong support of the project from neighbors who have been VERY appreciative that we have spent our own resources to dramatically improve the appearance and value of the entire area. Many others have assured me that they have also or will also send emails in support of the project.

One neighbor who lives directly across from the space in question commented that, "It is totally unfair that a few people who have not participated in maintaining the area can try and stop this improvement. It is a major positive addition to our neighborhood. Of course, I'm prejudiced since I now look at something beautiful, and the past 35+ years have looked at an ugly space." Others had similar comments, saying that it is "a great asset to the neighborhood and a great improvement to the condition of the property." Others have described it as "a wonderful asset" and "a vast improvement on a public space."

In addition, you should know that while I was watering the plants over the weekend, <u>practically every single person</u> who walked by commented on how beautiful the space looked. If you see the before pictures of the project furnished by our landscape architect, it is obvious to see that it is a major transformation and improvement. Importantly, the neighbors and passer-byers seem to generally like the overall design and appearance of the garden as it is now configured as approved by the city.

What we find most perplexing is that we understand the major objection to the project lies in the fact that the bushes go around the perimeter of the space -- perplexing because when you systematically look at ALL of the public spaces adjacent to corner homes in the historic district of Capitol Hill, it is virtually impossible to find one of these corner spaces which doesn't have bushes or fencing along the perimeter. I do think a handful of neighbors perceive this area more as a "Parks and Recreation" type space and would have preferred the design to be more open similar to the Parks and Recreation triangle right across the street which my husband and I have helped to maintain for the past 22 years.

We are grateful to the city for granting us permits to improve the public space adjacent to our home. We would be most grateful to have the opportunity to complete the project as originally permitted and to continue to maintain the space to a much higher standard than we have previously. As I have told my neighbors, our vision for the space is to create and maintain a beautiful ornamental public flower garden for ALL to enjoy as they walk by -- not a secret, hidden

garden space for only our pleasure. While we understand that there are many competing and worthy public space needs on Capitol Hill, we believe developing and using the space in this manner will make a positive contribution to the Capitol Hill Community. We hope this is demonstrated by the attached emails with support from the community.

Thank you again for your consideration and assistance in resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

Joyce West () and Mark Kadesh (

From: O'Brien, Linda (COUNCIL) [LObrien@DCCOUNCIL.US]

Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2013 3:11 PM

To: Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Cc: Marcou, Matthew (DDOT); Davis, Steven A. (DDOT); Amaya, Juan (DDOT); Kehoe, Steven (DDOT); Aguirre, Jesus

(DPR); Dreist, Roland (DCRA); Joyce West

Subject: Meeting request 147 Tennessee Ave., NE and Reservation 266 ceded to

Hi James and all included:

Appreciate your help at a meeting tomorrow Friday May 24th at 11:00 am at 1100 4th St., SW the surveyor's Office on the third floor regarding what was reservation 266 that was ceded to the District Department of Recreation and that abuts 147 Tennessee Ave., NE. the abutting property owners have been trying to beautify the space and have encountered assorted difficulties. We are convening this meeting to determine who has ultimate authority over the space and the appropriate process for neighbors who wish to beautify public park space. There is urgency to this request as DDOT has issued a stop work order that is costing the property owners undue distress and financial setbacks every moment of delay.

Really appreciate attendance of everyone or another appropriate representative from the office who is aware of the issues this raises and can speak on behalf of their agency.

Thanks so very much!!!

Linda O'Brien

Deputy Chief of Staff Councilmember Tommy Wells 1350 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Suite 402

Washington, DC 20004 Phone: 202.724.8072 Fax: 202.724.8054

www.TommyWellsWard6.com

From:

Faulkner, Ella (DPR)

Sent:

Wednesday, June 19, 2013 5:05 PM

To:

Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)

Cc:

Bazile, Reginald (DDOT); Stesney, Bridget (DPR); Henry, James T. (DDOT)

Subject:

Re: 147 Tenn Ave landscaping

Attachments:

RES 266 additional info.pdf



Thanks,

Ella Faulkner, MA, MRCP Community Planner Planning and Operations Division

Department of Parks and Recreation 1250 U Street NW Washington, DC 20009 202.286.1533 ella.faulkner@dc.gov

From: "Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)" < matthew.marcou@dc.gov>

Date: Wed, 19 Jun 2013 15:04:45 -0400

To: DPR <ella.faulkner@dc.gov>

Subject: RE: 147 Tenn Ave landscaping

Dear Ms. Faulkner:

Sincerely,

Matthew Marcou desk (202) 478-1448

-----Original Appointment-----**From:** Faulkner, Ella (DPR)

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2013 3:04 PM

To: Marcou, Matthew (DDOT)

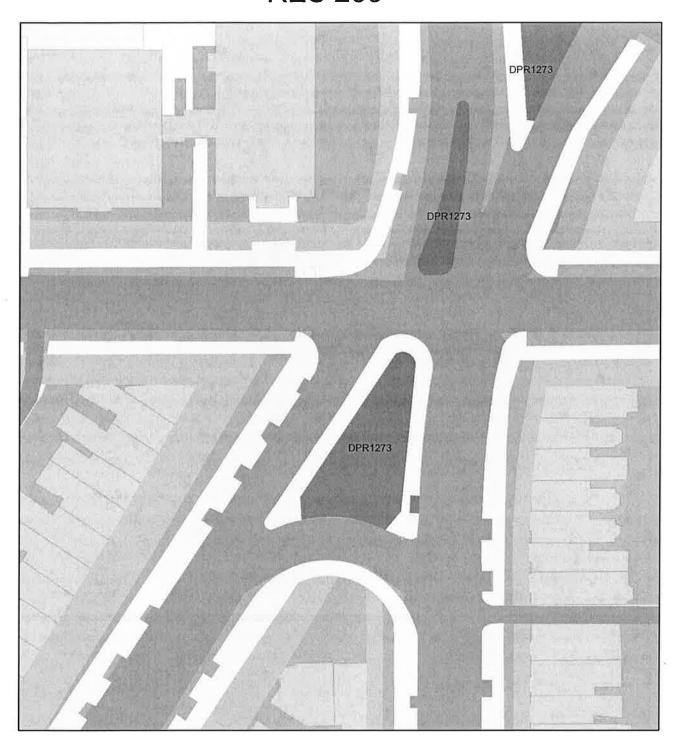
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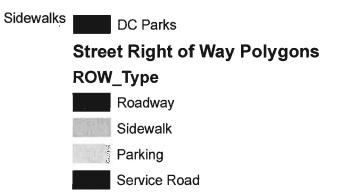
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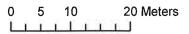
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