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Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2018 9:07 AM
To: Council Clerk – Testimony; Wheeler, Mayor; Commissioner Eudaly; Commissioner Fish; Commissioner Fritz; Commissioner Saltzman
Cc: Kelley, Mary; Jacob Williams; Scott Mizée UPNA
Subject: Agenda # 897 - UPNA Comments in Support of & Concerns about Cary Blvd Property Transfer to PHB
Attachments: UPNA Testimony on Cary Blvd Property Transfer to PHB - Final.doc

Commissioners:

University Park Neighborhood Association Board (UPNA)

Comments on Agenda # 897, Transfer of Cary Blvd Property

August 22, 2018

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The UPNA Board and Land Use Committee **SUPPORT** this transfer of the Cary property to the Housing Bureau for the purpose of developing affordable housing. The UPNA General Membership voted that it would prefer that any development be for home-owners so that it would be consistent with the historical role of the western portion of the neighborhood as affordable starter and family owned and occupied homes. **The UPNA looks forward to working with the Housing Bureau to plan the development of this land for affordable housing particularly for home-owners.**

The UPNA has requested that it be given a formal seat at the table and representation in any PHB proposal review and evaluation panel. The PHB has agreed to this by email and orally. However, the UPNA Land Use Committee requests that the City Council consider formally directing the PHB to include the UPNA and community in the planning and proposal review process. Other communities should also be included in this process to address recreational and environmental and cultural concerns.

UPNA requests that there be no break in the maintenance and security of the property. Due to the proximity to the railroad cut, there have always been campers on railroad property. However, in the past three years the number and nature of these campers has changed and now number about 100 along the trail, on the Water Bureau, BNSF and PGE properties. There has been destruction of trees and Water Bureau and private property, as well as dozens of abandoned cars and vehicles, thousands of needles requiring hazardous material teams, some violence and a dramatic increase in car thefts, break-ins, burglaries, and trash. While some of these neighbors have been active in UPNA activities and meetings, others have accosted Peninsula Crossing Trail users and local school students. The UPNA requests that the Council direct the Housing Bureau to maintain and secure this

property promptly and diligently, to include the neighbors in this process and to report back to the Commissioner and Council.

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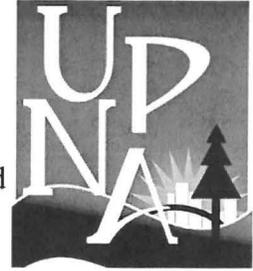
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Sincerely,

Jacob Williams Thomas Karwaki

Chair, UPNA Chair, Land Use & Transportation Committee

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 Chair, UPNA

Thomas Karwaki
 Chair, Land Use & Transportation Committee

Moore-Love, Karla

From: Tim Feerer <tfeerer@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 6:16 PM
To: Council Clerk – Testimony; Commissioner Fish; Wheeler, Mayor
Subject: FW: Council agenda item #897

Dear Mayor Wheeler, Councilman Fish and the Council Clerk,

Regarding the Housing Bureau purchase of Water Bureau property along the RR cut between Princeton and Lombard next to the Peninsula Crossing Trail:

I live at Amherst St. and Carey, a block from Princeton, and am very concerned about the addition of 45-plus housing units on this property. It is important, at the very least, to have put in writing as part of the transfer a covenant or codicil that binds the Housing Bureau to:

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- 3) protect Heritage tree 323 and access to trail.

Thank you,

Timothy Feerer

Moore-Love, Karla

From: Rebecca Haskell <rebeccahaskell@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 19, 2018 8:47 PM
To: Council Clerk – Testimony; Commissioner Fish; Wheeler, Mayor
Subject: Council agenda item #897

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