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To: <u>Council Clerk – Testimony</u>

Subject: Written testimony for South Park blocks master plan

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Dear Council members,

We feel that this is a terrible year to remove the trees on the South Park blocks due to Dutch elm disease. If anything can be done to forestall this until Portland is not gasping on its heels that would be a good idea. I don't want this to be another stab in the heart to a city who is already down in terms of its morale.

As an aside, we should diversify the trees that are chosen to replant in that area when this finally does happen so that we are not having all of our eggs in one botanical basket.

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