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Subject: Fw: File # R/W #7942 N Lombard Street Vacation, RWA #7942

Colleagues, giving you a heads up regarding the proposed street vacation at today's hearing. I am not going to oppose it, but do want to raise the issue for the record and understand how loss of canopy will be addressed when the time comes
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Lance, has the urban forestry program and commission reviewed and commented on this proposal? I noted under environmental considerations only view corridors were addressed, not natural resources or urban forest canopy. I am assuming from your response that the response at today's hearing when I raise this issue that the response will be the trees will be dealt with in future design work? I will want to flag the fact that, to my eye, this looks like a potential hit on the urban forest canopy that will have to be mitigated for and that urban forestry needs to be at the table. The canopy looks pretty mature to me and this appears to be one of those cases where mature trees will likely be lost with replacement with trees of caliper that will take years to actually replace.

At any rate, I wanted you to know my concern before the hearing so I'm not bringing it up without foreknowledge

Thanks for your response
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Hello Mike,

Thank you for reaching out to me on this matter.

Yes, it is my understanding that most of the trees that are located within the vacation area will be impacted.

Some will be impacted by the required reconstruction of the street and others will be impacted by construction of the commercial development that will be built over a portion of the vacation area.

New street trees will be planted as a condition of the building permit for the commercial development.

Lance



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I have attached the aerial
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Lance, in looking at the aerial photograph of the intersection it looks as if this street vacation might be the island which has significant tree canopy. Is that correct? If so, I have a major issue with lack of notice re potential tree removal, again if that is indeed the case.

Would you please clarify whether the trees are impacted by the proposed vacation and future alignments or changes to the intersection?

Commissioner Houck