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Dear Brad;

For communications...

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Anna.

I have deep concerns as do many in the preservation community who've followed this extra-legal commission whose goal is apparently to move the houses on East Gorham, adjoining James Madison Park, for reasons unstated.

The committee has lacked any expertise in historic preservation principles, understanding, and in three of the seven members, historic preservation is met with bewilderment if not outright opposition. There's no statement of purpose to the committee and there's no reference to standards for preservation in proposals. It's all about moving the houses, for reasons unstated by the mayor.

It's quite unsettling. It is known that the mayor's office has acquired bids for moving the buildings, perhaps to negotiate an

exchange with a developer which would be off the record. The whole thing is quite suspect and leaves the preservation of historic buildings in Madison a few notches lower in priority than it ever has been in the past.

Please look critically at the proposed Request for Proposals and ask questions to bring about a stronger preservation commitment from this process.

Thank you.

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