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Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 10:10 AM
To: Pien, Janet
Subject: FW: Please oppose Item 5 - 700 W Main St streetlighting (22401)

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To the Board of Public Works:

I urge you to vote NO on Item 5, Legistar #22401, the proposal to put special streetlights on the 700 block of W Main St.

- There are only 11 owners on this block. Of the 11, only 1 has responded to me, Manuela Jobst, 725 W Main St. She says the project is more than she can afford. If one person strongly opposes the proposal and no one else cares, then the proposal should not proceed.
- I believe that the special streetlights were proposed for this block because the 600 block of W Main has the same lights. However, Proudfit is a big street separating the 600 and 700 blocks. 700 W Main feels more connected to S Brittingham Pl and even to Brittingham Park, neither of which will have the special streetlights.
- We should avoid negative options as much as possible. A negative option is when we say, special streetlights will be put in *unless you object*. Many city improvements must be negative options, I understand. But special streetlights on a residential street should be the opposite. They should be adopted *only if there's strong support* from the neighbors (similar to the requirements for getting speed humps).

I don't know whether I can attend the Board of Public Works meeting. I have training scheduled at 5:30.

Thanks.

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