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From: Murphy, Brad
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2012 3:51 PM
To: Ellingson, Susan; kathloving@gmail.com
Cc: Firchow, Kevin; kkeller@prarch.com; dscherer@meriter.com
Subject: RE: [greenbushneighborhood] Meriter daycare hearings

Sue, Pick up and drop off will be handled in the Longfellow parking lot. That should work well.

Brad

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From: Ellingson, Susan
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Thanks for your email, Katherine.

I will ask about the drop-off area tonight.

I certainly agree that trees are important in the neighborhood. However, larger replacement are not effective. Too many roots get cut off and the tree doesn't thrive. I got an email from Parks about this explaining why the city does not allow homeowners to get bigger trees in the terrace when their street tree dies for some reason. I will forward it to you.

Sue

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----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Katherine Loving <kathloving@gmail.com>
To: Sue Ellingson <sue@sueellingson.com>
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2012 2:13 PM
Subject: Re: [greenbushneighborhood] Meriter daycare hearings

Hi Sue--

Thanks for keeping the neighborhood updated on plans for the Meriter daycare. I sent along some concerns when it was slated for the site directly east of our condos (Village Cohousing), but now that they've shifted to the other corner, I just have a couple concerns: First, the pick up/drop off traffic routing--Mills St is really busy during the academic year with lots of cars, bikes and pedestrians of all ages.

The other strong concern I have is that Meriter replace the tree canopy on that corner. I am not against development or urban infill, but with more, larger developments on the edges of our neighborhood, I think we should be vigilant about keeping a residential feel--including protecting the tree canopy and green space we have even as the neighborhood continues to develop. Our kids just had a lemonade stand on the Mills/Mound corner yesterday, and the loss of lawns and trees on that opposite corner will be noticeable. At a minimum, I'd like to suggest that Meriter invest in larger, mature trees to replace those lost in construction to minimize the impact of this non-residential facility being built on an older residential street.

The housing stock is not great around us, and we really need to work to preserve an aesthetic that is appealing, not just as a drive-thru or drop-off neighborhood. I assume that eventually Meriter will develop the property directly across Mills from us at some point, so I guess I also have this in mind when I express these concerns.

Thanks, Sue. I can't attend the meeting tonight, so I'll have to share my feedback in some other way with Meriter.

--Katherine Loving
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On Wed, Aug 15, 2012 at 9:40 AM, Sue Ellingson
<sue@sueellingson.com<mailto:sue@sueellingson.com>> wrote:

Meriter is proposing a new daycare building on the southeast corner of Mills and Mound. You can see a rendering on my city website (scroll down a bit):
<http://www.cityofmadison.com/council/district13/development/>

Upcoming hearings on this proposal:

Plan Commission - 8/20, 6:00p, probably in Rm 260 Madison Municipal Bldg
Common Council - 9/4, 6:45p, probably in Rm 201 City-County Bldg

(Room 201 in the City-County building is being renovated. It's scheduled to be finished on 9/1.)

If you have comments on this proposal, please email me at
district13@cityofmadison.com<mailto:district13@cityofmadison.com>.
Sue

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