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To: Richard Slayton

Subject: UDC

Hi Richard

I may not make it to UDC for the first few items. So a thought for you on Item 2. You list viburnum opulus compactum. I've found this to be a fairly insect prone plant --mealy bugs etc. that cause its leaves to pucker and look unsightly. Have you thought about v. trilobum compactum (or nana). Doesn't have these insect problems and has a much nicer looking foliage. Just a thought. Also boxwood is fairly salt intolerant. Don't mind the plant but will some of their locations along the walks be in a salt use area? Last on this item the landscape sheet and the site plan sheet before it don't correspond in terms of the parking borders. Depending on what the surface is in the triangular blocks at the end of the parking in the site plan could these areas be useful for planting? And could you recommend to Finn that there are better bike racks out there--ones where the bikes will actually stay up and not flop sideways. Otherwise looks good.

I may be there for Item 4 (dental office) but would you look at the lighting plan for the parking lot. It seems to me that it highly uneven with one very bright west line of stalls and a much dimmer east line of stalls. I would hope they could more evenly distribute the lighting.

What is your impression? Also didn't we ask them to take out the stone mulch and vinyl edging and reduce the number of dogwoods. The mulch and edging are still there in front and the dogwoods have moved around but not much different in numbers particularly when you consider that the shrubs are mostly dogwoods in the parking lot, just broken into two species of dogwood. And the building bill board signage is particularly of concern.

Last, do you have any concerns about the Development Process report? I'm particularly referring to what they want to do with the referral option or its elimination. I think that if referrals are taken away I may step off the committee. It is of little help to the developer and certainly not the public to deny their app or send a half baked idea forward to the Plan Commission. I'd love to hear some thoughts on this.

I should be at the meeting by the 5th item if not before. Ignore these items if you don't agree, but wanted to share my thoughts with you. John

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