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Date: 9/18/2013 4:51 PM
Subject: RE: Tree located at 133 York St. development site

Jeff,

Thanks very much for the information. It sounds like the two trees (willow and deciduous tree with deeply grooved bark and almond shaped leaves adjacent to recently completed construction project) that are of greatest concern to Harborview Flats (the brick complex in front of the project) and Harborview Townhomes (the new construction adjacent to the project) might be preserved in some form. Each of the two Harborview properties has been developed recently and it is not our intention to take a NIMBY stance about additional development in the neighborhood. We do hope to preserve green space when possible. This gives me a better understanding of where things are at this point. I appreciate your advice about plantings for Harborview Flats as well.

Best,

Catherine

From: Jeff Tarling [mailto:JST@portlandmaine.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 3:41 PM
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Subject: Re: Tree located at 133 York St. development site

Hi Catherine -

I recall that the tree near the corner of the existing building would be impacted by the construction project, the tree the furthest from York Street along with the Willow had less impact, and the Willow perhaps the root zone.

We would include 'tree protection' measures in the project review comments, see example at this web link:

http://treesaregood.org/treecare/resources/Avoiding_Tree%20damage.pdf

Planting two to three columnar trees on your property in the green space might provide additional greening. I can suggest tree types such as 'Karpick' Red Maple of the more upright 'Armstrong' Red Maple, like the ones next door at the condo entrance on York Street.

Be glad to answer questions related to the landscape, I cc'd Jean Fraser the Site Planner on the project to let her know. The Planning Department maintains the 'official' lines of communication in site plan related projects.

thanks,
Jeff

>>> "Catherine Morrison" <cmorrison@createagreement.com> 9/18/2013 9:38 AM
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Dear Mr. Tarling,

I live at 125 York Street and recently attended a meeting hosted by the developers of the property at 133 York Street. One of the items that we discussed was whether a tree located on the northeast corner of the property could be preserved. I understand that you came on site and looked at the tree to provide advice about its stability if a portion of it is removed. Our homeowners association is meeting tonight and I'd like to give them an update on the project. Could you let me know your recommendation to the developers about the tree?

Thanks very much.

Catherine Morrison

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