

Joy Place

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To: Jean Fraser,

Re: Joy Place

From: Jed Rathband, 38 Spruce Street, Portland

Date 7/7/17

Ms. Fraser,

I am writing in support of the proposed Joy Place development that is currently under consideration. The lot in question is a short stroll from my apartment and currently it doesn't have much going for it. However, I do believe the proposal before you could be a really great solution for a parcel that has been underutilized for years.

The plan allows for much needed housing and will contribute to the street life in an area of the West End that feels rather vacant. The added benefit is the additional parking spots on the City owned land that the developer is willing to shoulder.

I'm sure area business will benefit by having more patrons, the school will benefit as hopefully more families move in to the neighborhood and an otherwise blighted lot will be improved. A win-win for the city and the neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jed Rathband