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CC: David Margolis-Pineo Date: 5/15/2015 10:48 AM

Subject: Congress Street Jewish Center

Hi Jean -

I have reviewed the proposed landscape plan for the Jewish Neighborhood Center on Congress Street and offer the following recommendations:

Looking at the back property line and the graphic showing a proposed fence, which is recommended, wanted to request a fence spec. My first thought is that the fence should be wooden 6' in height or something equal.

The project removes several mature trees on the side entranceway and does not appear to replace them. Looking at the space it appears to be wide enough that several, 3 - 4 small trees such as Magnolia, Dogwood or Cherry could be successfully planted back in this location. We have also seen good use of the several upright Oak varieties that stay very narrow but with height that could help replace the lost trees, see: http://www.jfschmidt.com/pdfs/regalprinceoak.pdf Improving this space should be a priority. Also noted that a small center landscaped island near the entranceway could be used to improve or define the drive into the site.

Overall the rest of the landscape plan appears to meet our landscape & tree standards with recommended varieties and plant sizes.

Thanks

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