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~~J. IZZY MALDONADO~~

I, ISRAEL MALDONADO, never signed any petition, including the petition of William Iacono from 218 Windsor Street that that was signed to tear down the buildings at 238 Broadway in order to create an expanded park.

I want to see the 2 buildings saved for community use. I absolutely am against expanding the present park because of the problems that it already causes the neighborhood

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Barbara Hayes Harrison, 143 Prospect Street, feels that the neighborhood needs a library. First the library on Windsor Street was eliminated, then the bookmobile was eliminated. The City should give back what was taken. A park could be put on the roof of the library.

open space no new
William Iacono, 218 Windsor Street, has lived in Area Four for about 20 years. He is an abutter who supports the open space that has been planned. He brought a signed petition from eight people on his block (from Izzy's Restaurant to the parking lot across from Fletcher-Maynard) who support the creation of the park as planned [attached].

open space no new area
Bonnie Larkin, 220 Windsor Street, stated that she and her husband support the creation of the park as planned. She does not oppose affordable housing, but is opposed to more density in this

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Vincent Dixon, 287 Harvard Street #64, understands that there are competing priorities within the city. However, the original purpose of the 238 Broadway site has changed due to the temporary offices there. He supports housing and a library on the site (similar to the facility on Huron Avenue). Money should be reallocated to find open space elsewhere.

open space no new affordable housing
Kathy Irving, 218 Windsor Street, stated her support for the park that has been planned for the site. Cambridge has more affordable housing than any other community in the state. The increase in density over the years has caused problems over the years, especially with parking.

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Hatch Sterrett, 12 Boardman Street, lives in the Squirrel Brand Apartments. He favors the 238 Broadway site primarily for affordable housing, with some landscaped area, community uses, or a library. The end of rent control took away economic diversity throughout the city. In response to people's concern about density, he cited Jane Jacob's book, *The Death and Life of Great American Cities*, which equates a certain level of density with a vibrant city.

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Mark White, Cherry Street, supports preserving the buildings. He has worked with the Haggerty School preschool for the past ten years, and he has found that those children are able to walk ten minutes to Glacken Field. The students at Fletcher-Maynard Academy should be able to walk to Sennott Park.

Mr. Rossi stated that the minutes to the meeting will be typed up and distributed to the City Council members.

Councilor Kenneth Reeves stated his belief that the full range of the opinions of the neighborhood should be measured, perhaps through some sort of census or multiple meetings. While he respects the planning for the park that has taken place, the adoption of the Community Preservation Act might mean they should re-evaluate the situation. He believes that the neighbors should determine what should be done.

Councilor Marjorie Decker stated that she would continue to think about what had been said at the meeting. While her own passion is for affordable housing, she also sees the need for such amenities as open space, a community center, and a library. She said that density alone does not

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A communication was received
from Israel Maldonado, regarding
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