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Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 8:55 AM

To: Patricia Farrell <PFarrell@cityofsalem.net>

Subject: RE: Draft Cultural Landscape Management Plan for Bush and Deepwood

Thanks, Patricia. You can include the following as my public comment:

Dear Patricia:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Cultural Landscape Management Plan for Bush and Deepwood.

Overall I thought the draft report was excellent. You and your team did a very thorough study and analysis of the two parks and I think the report represents a good template for moving forward. I especially liked that you brought in a lot of people with varying thoughts on the parks. Each meeting brought forth good discussions.

I did notice that the report mentioned my concerns about the traffic pattern. I appreciated that. I know that issue is down the road a bit but I do not want to see a traffic pattern which utilizes the park. That is not an appropriate use of a park. I may have missed it but I would appreciate the final report disclosing the actual deeds with the language restricting the use of Bush Park.

My personal preference is to keep the Art Fair where it is currently located in Bush Park. It seems to me that some extra precautions can be taken to protect the trees for those three days per year. The Art Fair brings a lot of people to Bush Park and helps bring attention to its beauty.

Thanks, again, Patricia, for your hard work and diligence bringing lots of varying opinions on how best to preserve the parks. Bush Park is a jewel and every time I go there it is a pure delight.

Mike

