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Subject: Re: City Planning Commission Agenda - November 19, 2018

Comments on the Broad Street streetscape project:

I think necking down the walkzone to 5' is too narrow in many of these spots, a 6' wide open tree pit is too big generally. 5 ft is only wide enough for two people to walk side by side and broad street is a very crowded walking street. I would recommend tree grates at a minimum and narrowing the tree wells by a foot to expand the walk zone. This plan also seems to often combine the walkzone with the frontage zone which should not happen.

It is also worth noting that the dimensions on these plans do not mesh with the City's better streets manual. In the manual the walk zone widths are wider, and the buffers are narrower and there always frontage space.

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http://www.richmondgov.com/PublicWorks/documents/RightOfWay/Better_Streets_2018_Part_I.pdf

Otherwise this seems like a great project.

John Bolecek

On Wed, Nov 14, 2018 at 4:54 PM Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR <Matthew.Ebinger@richmondgov.com> wrote:

Good Afternoon:

The Planning Commission agenda and related documents for the Monday, November 19, 2018 regular meeting are now available on the City's legislative website.

You can access the agenda [here](#).

Please let me know if you have any trouble accessing the information.

Thank you,

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