

## Roakes, Raymond A. - PDR

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Ray,

I really wish I could be there tomorrow but I have to head out of town. I did want to pass along some thoughts on the two projects being reviewed tomorrow.

With regards to George Wythe HS:

- I agree with staff recommendations especially the item addressing the facade facing Midlothian Turnpike
- I know the landscape plan is preliminary and specific plant material has not been called out but would like to see that
- I would like to see the location called out for the proposed planters they submitted
- Not sure if the proposed landscape is the minimum requirement but on the eastern part of the site by the bus drive there is a large lawn area adjacent to the 6' side yard setback. This would be a great area for large evergreen and deciduous trees since it most likely won't be walked on as much as other parts of the site. Also there are some mature trees being removed from that area and it would be nice to replace them.

With regards to Lee Circle:

- To put \$100,000 towards a 'temporary' solution is hard to justify when there are other areas of the city that can use the funds for permanent solutions
- The size and scale of this space compared to Maury, Davis, JEB Stuart etc. is not equitable. Those spaces are obviously smaller in scale and in line with the medians. Whereas Lee Circle is commanding and a focal point on Monument. The proposed design and planting scheme is going to look ridiculous in such a huge space.
- All along monument there are these wonderful oaks that create great canopy and an elegant simple design. This is how the Lee space should be approached a very simple but monumental tree, like an oak, should be placed there and create spaces for people to gather like what is occurring in the medians all along Monument
- This space should really be reclaimed for people to use, and if it takes longer to find a good solution then it should wait, instead of putting \$100,000 into it now and if it ever is removed the cost of that as well.

If you can share these with committee members I would appreciate it.

Thanks,

Luigi