

Mr. Mark Olinger December 7th, 2015
City of Richmond, Va.
Director Department of Planning & Development Review

Mr. Ollinger this letter is presented as official public record, That C&L Holdings the Owners of the Building located at 18 W Broad Street with Frontage on "Historic" Brook RD., in No Way supports any changes to the "Brook RD - Broad St - Adams St. Triangle.

The Oak is a Form of Mother Natures Public Art and must be preserved as our Mayor Dwight C. Jones has stated. Brook Rd is a Pre-Revolutionary Road that was instrumental in the development of our Country.

Destruction of such History is insane and must be preserved not paved over and turned into Cafe's and Urban Desserts

Kevin W Korda

C&L Holdings
Owners Representative and Spokesperson

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA:
In the City of Richmond; to-wit:

Appeared before me, a notary public for the aforesaid jurisdiction, Kevin Korda, and his affixed signature to the foregoing instrument and acknowledge the same.

Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of December 2015.

Notary Public

My Commission Exp: 1/31/19



Ordinance

2015-251

Close portion of Brook Rd. betw. W. Broad St. and N. Adams St.

Dear Planning Commission,

I, Rhonda Hening Davis, a member of the 2nd District, would like to speak in opposition to this ordinance. While I appreciate that the closure is being designed to support the construction of a memorial to honor Maggie Walker, I do not support expanding the triangle at Brook Rd. and Broad St.

Brook Rd. has been an open roadway since Revolutionary War times, and possibly longer. Its historic significance and its location along Broad St., and its continued use are testimony to the necessity of this little stretch of Brook Rd. Whenever a locality contemplates the closure of a street, especially one that is approaching its 300th year in existence, the locality should give pause and often yield to the historic significance of the roadway.

This section of Brook Rd. is particularly important to area businesses, as it enables delivery vehicles to access both Brook Rd. and Adams St. from Broad St. The corner at Broad St. and Adams St. is too sharp for large vehicles to safely access without the little angular block that this section of Brook Rd. affords. Without this short and yet strategic section of Brook Rd., buses and delivery vehicles would have to re-route many blocks out of the way, and into residential areas of Jackson Ward in order to service the growing business community along this route.

I am in favor of keeping this section of Brook Rd. open, as well as being in favor of keeping the beautiful live oak that currently stands in the triangle intact. The triangle as it exists today creates an area of functional beauty and breaks up the monotony of a typical city grid pattern.

Thank you,
Rhonda Hening Davis : Xine Bouthillier

Markham, Lory P. - PDR

From: Bieber, Craig K. - City Council Liaison
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2015 4:12 PM
To: Markham, Lory P. - PDR
Cc: Olinger, Mark A. - PDR
Subject: Ordinance 2015-251
Attachments: image003.jpg

See email below.

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From: Judy Hays [mailto:JHays@mcinnovations.com]
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2015 3:34 PM
To: Samuels, Charles R. - Council Member
Cc: Bieber, Craig K. - City Council Liaison
Subject: Brook Road & Broad Street oak tree

Dear Councilman Samuels:

My coworkers and I wish to express our desire to support saving the live oak tree at the intersections of Brook Road, Broad Street and Adams Street downtown. A statue honoring Maggie Walker is fine to add to the triangle; however, taking the tree down does a disservice to the entire city. Also, we're not in favor of closing the stretch of Brook Road in front of Max's on Broad and other businesses. So many parking spaces are slated to be lost with the arrival of the rapid transit bus line that small businesses are going to seriously suffer. Please don't make getting to and from this part of the city more difficult than it may well become in the near future.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Judy Hays
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Markham, Lory P. - PDR

From: Robinson, Betty H. - PDR
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:03 AM
To: Markham, Lory P. - PDR
Subject: FW: The Walker statue and live oak. Phone:8047546287

Hi Lory, This email was sent to the Land Use mailbox.

From: Jason Aldrich [mailto:Dogs4leyef@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 12:43 PM
To: PDR Land Use Admin
Cc: CityWebManager
Subject: The Walker statue and live oak. Phone:8047546287

From: Jason Aldrich

Email Address: Dogs4leyef@gmail.com

Mail Address: 413 w 24 #1
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Message:

Hello all. This email is to inform the planning commission of the public's initial reaction to the possible removal of the live oak at Adam, Broad and Brook. We dont like the idea. Attached is the link to the online petition currently in circulation. There are several paper copies yet to be collected. We will see you Decmber 7th.
<http://www.gopetition.com/petitions/woodman-spare-that-tree.html>

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Markham, Lory P. - PDR

From: Bieber, Craig K. - City Council Liaison
Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 10:43 AM
To: Olinger, Mark A. - PDR; Markham, Lory P. - PDR
Subject: FW: ." WOODMAN, SPARE THAT TREE..."

Save the Tree email re: Ordinance 2015-251.

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From: Mariah Robinson [mailto:justmariah1@outlook.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 6:27 AM
To: Bieber, Craig K. - City Council Liaison
Subject: ." WOODMAN, SPARE THAT TREE..."

John Ashworth, Richmond's most beloved physician, was the first to sign a petition to spare the majestic and rare Live Oak on the triangle at Broad Street and Brook road. "When our next door neighbors had to cut down a tree that had died, my wife and I mourned it." He said.

My husband and I were one of the first to dine at Max's. Since then, we have had more than a hundred dining experiences there and each of them was made memorable because of that magnificent Southern Live Oak. If the city allows that RARE tree to be destroyed, I will never be able to eat there again, or even to pass by that site on my daily walks to the State Capital and I cannot imagine what it will be like for those who live or work nearby and will have to endure the sight and sounds of that beautiful God-given tree being destroyed.

Everyone who knows that tree, and there are thousands of us throughout Richmond and beyond, respectfully asks of The City Planning Commission that plans for the statue of our Beloved Maggie Walker be drawn in a way that includes BOTH the grand Live Oak and the imposing and grand statue in her memory.

Sincerely,

Mariah Robinson Spigle
312 North Monroe Street

Richmond, Va. 23220

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From: Bieber, Craig K. - City Council Liaison
Sent: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 10:44 AM
To: Olinger, Mark A. - PDR; Markham, Lory P. - PDR
Subject: FW: Tree Removal
Attachments: image003.jpg

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From: Baker, Wayne A [mailto:wayne.a.baker@lmco.com]
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 11:43 AM
To: Bieber, Craig K. - City Council Liaison
Subject: Tree Removal

Mr. Bieber,
My wife and I have a property in Emrick Flats and would respectfully ask you to alter your direction and let the tree remain. It is a beautiful tree in a real urban spot. The "Ar1 t District" needs special consideration in terms of aesthetics.
Best Regards,
Wayne Baker
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