

RE: Franklin Expansion Project

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Hello Sara and Kristina,

Please see below for our response to the public comment we received for the record:

As Sara reiterated, we are trying to retain as many trees on site as possible and are only removing what is absolutely necessary for the completion of the proposed design. In addition, we are not proposing removing any trees along the residential streets and hope that the impact of our tree removal on the residents will be minor.

In response to the comments received regarding parking, the added parking is not a response to added population. The required parking for the current building as well as the proposed addition is met with the existing parking layout. We proposed making the current spaces more usable and adding additional space above and beyond what is required, in response to the communities concern of cars parked in the neighborhood. Our intent is to provide as much parking on site as is reasonable to park as many daily cars on site as possible. As a gesture to the community that we are trying to soften our impact where we can.

Construction is proposed for summer when the building is mostly unoccupied, to provide the safest potential for the occupants of the building. Being that the addition is on the along Northwest Ave on the opposite side of the existing building and site from the neighborhood, most disruption will be isolated to this more remote area. With construction activities along the opposite edge of the site, we hope that construction noise and disturbances will be held to a minimum for the residents.

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Hi Amy,

The Hearing Examiner provided until the 30th for any responses to post-hearing comments.

Thank you,

Kristi Bowker, Assistant to the Hearing Examiner

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