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ST. ANTHONY PARK



TO: Council Member Henningson
Saint Paul City Council
310-D City Hall
15 Kellogg Blvd., West
Saint Paul, MN 55102

March 1, 2018

Dear Council Member Henningson:

At the St. Anthony Park Community Council board meeting February 8, 2018, we further discussed the Foss neighbor's difference of opinion about the location of a lot line between their home and the St. Anthony Park Library. We feel that SAPCC's letter of April 2016 – asking for compromise – was basically ignored. The March 7, 2018 City Council meeting will serve as the only public hearing on this.

The proposed resolution of this issue did not meet the request of our April 2016 letter, which said: "The two lot lines currently being considered represent the extremes of what we consider to be a continuum of potential solutions. Choosing either will leave one side perennial disgruntled; finding common ground on an intermediate location should be possible [and] should contribute to, rather than reduce our sense of community." And: we "request that negotiations about a price for the land cease until such common ground is reached [and urge you to] consider input from other interested parties in this issue" to "facilitate a mutually acceptable resolution."

At this point, there is still considerable community concern and discord: the proposed resolution of the boundary was not negotiated with enough of the interested parties. Though there has been a proposed outcome, the issue has not been resolved. Therefore, we urge the city to reexamine this issue with more input before making a final decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Kathryn Murray'.

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cc: Catherine Penkert, Library Director