## April 13, 2013

## To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Lisa Heuer; I rent on the west side of Kent Street near Wheelock. I'm writing you today with a few concerns regarding the sidewalk proposal at hand. My main concern is with the loss of trees and lawns on this block. I understand my neighbors concerns when it comes to having a safe place for children to walk. I to am a mother. But I feel this is not a good plan for the neighborhood as a whole. My understanding is that the bump-outs would slow traffic in this area, making it safer for all that walk on this block.

One question I do have is how would this sidewalk make it safer? My understanding is this walk would be from Wheelock to Orange Street not continuing to Maryland. I have walked down to Maryland from my house. I feel it's more dangerous walking from Orange to Maryland. Cars fly down this hill at very high speeds.

We have a great sidewalk system in the neighborhood, Wheelock, Dale, and Maryland. The cost of this project will only effect those on the West side of Kent. This cost could be high for those of us that rent, even those that are home owners. Rents and taxes will be going up; cost of Xcel during the summer would get higher, due to the loss of trees. I am one of those that would not be able to cover this cost. I love my neighborhood and my neighbors. Everyone looks out for each other, my landlords treat us like family, and I would hate to loose all of this, Because of some sidewalks.

I'm not sure I would be able to cover this cost and would have to consider moving.

I would like to come up with a plan that would keep the kids safer that doesn't cause the loss of lawns and trees on this block.

Thank you for letting me be heard in this matter.

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> This serves as notification that I vote against the proposed new sidewalk on the west side of Kent Street between orange and wheelock Parkway. It is my understanding that I receive two votes based on my property description.

Therefore please record too No votes on my behalf.

If you would like to discuss the matter, please call me at 651-488-7451. I will not be able to attend the May 1st meeting due to a commitment out of town.

Thank you.

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