

February 4, 2010

Re: 2040 S. Livernois Road

To whom it may concern:

I have received your recent notifications regarding the preliminary historic district study committee report and recommendations and for the meeting on February 11, 2010. I am certainly interested in speaking with the committee on this matter, but I will unfortunately be out of town on February 11th. That being said, what I would like communicated to those present are my concerns with regard to the potential historic designation on my house at 2040 S. Livernois.

I moved out of the house in December of 2009 for various reasons, one of which is the annually increasing traffic on Livernois. Over the past several months, I have been working at making the house more marketable and am in the current process of listing it for sale. The roundabout that is going in at the corner of Livernois/Hamlin and the road being moved *significantly* closer to the house will not help matters with the sale. My main concern with having it listed as a historically significant property is the strong possibility that this will help to further detract a potential buyer. I have spoken with others who own historically significant properties and understand the potential difficulties this designation may create. I would prefer this decision be made by the next property owner rather than have this forced upon a vacant and potentially then-unsalable home.

In an environment where we have a glut of foreclosures on the market, anything that detracts from a serious seller would be a shame and I would urge the committee to hold off on their recommendation at this time.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to reading the minutes of the meeting.

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