Good Morning Zoe,

Thank you for reaching out. The short answer is that I believe we will be agreeing to a postponement. I am waiting to hear back from my client but we received a request from the neighbors counsel last week to postpone.

But I would like to take the opportunity to provide some background on this so that your office has some context on this. This item was originally scheduled for the November meeting. We received a request to postpone on November 12 from Richard Klitenick. We agreed to submitted the confirmation to the planning department. I reached out to the neighbors counsel a couple weeks ago asking to discuss the project and determine what concerns the neighbors had. On December 3, Mr. Klitenick informed me that he had been having some health related issues and would be referring both of his clients to Wayne Smith.

I reached out to Mr. Smith to see if we could connect and determine what concerns the neighbors had. The neighbors were still in the process of retaining Mr. Smith and he, understandably, needs time to get up to speed so he requested that we postpone the item again.

I do find it interesting that the neighbors are reaching out to you now directly, instead of through counsel. I am not legally allowed to speak with anyone who is represented which is why they have not heard from me. To this day, I have not idea what concerns they have about the project as no one has shared that with me so it makes it very difficult to try to address anything.

With that being said, I believe we will be amenable to another postponement but this is really something that is being done at the request of the neighbors and I think through no fault of the applicant, who has been available and ready to address any concerns.

We did meet with Karen DeMaria and she advised that there were no issues or concerns with anything proposed along the 10 Lowe Lane / 1017 Southard boundary line. We will be working with Karen and the owners 1009 Southard St re: the trimming of a tree that needs to be dealt with. This neighbor is one who has counsel so I haven't been able to make any headway there but should be able to once I get a chance to speak with Mr. Smith.

I will reach back out to you today to confirm the postponement.

Thank you,

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