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Subject: Docket item 9 [RE: 419 South Royal Street - June 3, 2020 BAR Hearing]

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Hi Lia,

Greetings! I'm looking forward to the Zoom meeting tomorrow.

I saw the public comments from neighbor Ms. Walker attached to the Staff Report. She is entitled to her opinions about the attractiveness, etc., of the lights. But she alleges at the end:

"Owners around parking lot did not receive notice of the re scheduled hearing. and Notice initially received was altered to not provide city contact information. We surveyed owners and no owner abutting lot received notice of june 3 hearing. We believe this was intentional to avoid comments from neighbors impacted by unattractive lighting designed."

I want you to know that the notices were mailed out on Thursday, May 14, to all the abutting neighbors in the list we provided to you, as required and as we certified to you. Nothing was altered about the notice other than the date of the hearing. As you know, this was the 3rd time the notices were sent out, due to the rescheduled BAR hearings that were postponed due to the COVID. Any implication that we're trying to hide from neighbors' comments is false, as we've had constructive conversations with several property owners to answer their questions and work with them on solving their concerns. It is our desire to create a parking lot lighting pattern that facilitates safety for the entire community.

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