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Dear Ms. Niebauer, Please provide this email to the BAR for Docket #13, 421 Gibbon St.

I am writing this email in support of the request by Christine and Sam Thuot for a Certificate of Appropriateness for Alterations and a Waiver of Fence Height. As you have read in their request, the Thuots built this wall as a flood mitigation project. Their home is subject to flooding through the front door due to high water and the wake of passing cars during the very heavy rains we've had for the past couple years.

In my opinion, the brick wall/planter enhances the front of their property and blends well with the architecture. On that block, most of the homes have very nicely planted front yards - they look really good. But those spaces are only used to walk by or through. As an unexpected benefit of the flood mitigation project, the Thuots have added another dimension to their front yard - a pleasant place to sit and meet their neighbors and other passers-by. It adds a friendliness and neighborliness to the block, like having a front porch. I realize those are not BAR criteria but should be taken into consideration.

I urge you to approve the Thuot's request.

Thank you.

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