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TO: Jackie Brown, Director

Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee

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Re: CB-47-2021 and CB-48-2021

I have reviewed the above referenced legislation and have no comment on CB-48-2021.

CB-47-2021 will add "conservation landscaping to the list of low-impact development techniques that a Planned Environmental Preservation Community should utilize. There's an argument that this new language is something that can already be considered since the list of techniques is not all inclusive. If the sponsor wants the language to remain I would urge that it be revised to "and conservation landscaping (focusing on the use of native plants and minimal reliance upon chemical fertilizers and pesticides)", or similar language that the sponsor would prefer, since conservation landscaping appears to be more of a nebulous term described in differently depending upon the source used.