

October 5, 2010

Dear Donnie --

On behalf of myself and the neighbors in the 2000 block of Michigan Boulevard, I am requesting that some plantings, in Lakeview Park, be included in the 2011 budget.

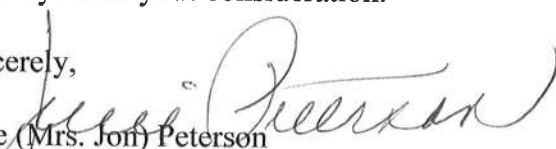
The noise generated from the basketball court (which has been moved 10-15' closer to my house) is often extreme and foul. It has always been a very popular meeting place for the city's basketball players and friends. With, at times, as many as 25 players on the court, several basketballs bouncing and spectators all around the court, the noise is heard throughout my house, bordering on the park, and in my, and my neighbors, yard.

Unfortunately, our neighborhood has changed. However, the real estate taxes for the 2000 block of Michigan Boulevard keep going up and are now approximately \$8000. per year. I am sure you would agree that we are entitled to enjoy our homes to the maximum.

I would request a bank of *tall* trees or evergreens (perhaps, arborvitaes), ***running north to south***, along the ***east side*** of the court (***between the court and the concrete walk through the park***) to help absorb noise and separate the activities from the Michigan Boulevard side of the park. This addition would beautify the park, with minimal expense, in addition to working with the aesthetics of the valuable real estate connected to the park.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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