



[EXTERNAL] Detroit Thermal

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To Historic District Commission (Staff) <hdc@detroitmi.gov>

Commissioners,

I am writing as a shareholder at 1300 E Lafayette Cooperative. I believe that the commissioners have received a large volume of letters requesting that you do not grant Detroit Thermal a permit to do the necessary work over at the Mies van der Rohe cooperatives from its residents for many different reasons. Some are angry and some are emotional. I am asking that the members of the commission disregard the noise and consider only what your charge is - Ensuring the preservation of historically and culturally significant areas of the City.

When one looks at the total area of the land involved it is easy to see that a very tiny area is impacted at all. Detroit Thermal has reworked their plan to include practically all of the suggestions and requests that we asked for. I also understand that it is an election year and so politics can come into play. I respectfully ask that you don't consider anything other than the fact that there will be some digging that will temporarily inconvenience the residents and disturb a couple of bushes and a tree. All of the planting will be replaced. Nothing historically significant will be gone forever.

The residents at 1300 deserve to have a reliable, energy efficient and sustainable method to heat their building and water. The Detroit Thermal plan will deliver this and in no measurable way impact the historic nature of our neighbor's property.

With respect and appreciation

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