

[EXTERNAL] Detroit Historic Commission Meeting Oct. 8, 2025

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

To whom it may concern,

I have been a resident of the Boston-Edison Historic District for more than 50 years and was on our Board of Directors for more than 30 years. Since I live on Chicago Blvd a block from Voigt Park I am familiar with it. It is a lovely park and should not be covered up with large areas of concrete.

I also understand that the paths would be raised which as someone who uses a walker, I would consider a potentially dangerous trip hazard! Anyone in a wheelchair or using a walker or even a cane could have a wheel fall off the side of such a path and end up on the ground with no way to get back up.

In addition, concrete is not always the ideal option; if a large tree comes down or is removed the root still underground will continue to decay for years afterward, which would break up the path.

It would have been helpful if I had been asked to participate in a community meeting.

Sincerely, Mary E Konopka 655 Chicago Blvd Detroit, MI 48202