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## MEMORANDUM

To: LAND USE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

FROM: CANDACE HAVENS, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

EVE TAPPER, CHIEF PLANNER FOR CURRENT PLANNING

ALEXANDRA ANANTH, SENIOR PLANNER

RE: Information for June 5, 2012 Working Session

DATE: June 1, 2012

CC: PETITIONERS

JOHN LOJEK, COMMISSIONER OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

In response to questions raised at the Land Use Committee public hearings, previous working session meetings and/or staff technical reviews, the Planning Department is providing the following information for the upcoming working session. This information is supplemental to staff analysis previously provided at the public hearing.

PETITION #93-12 35 NORWOOD AVENUE

REQUEST TO EXCEED FAR FOR A NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING.

The petitioner is proposing to exceed FAR for the construction of a new single-family residence. The structure was originally proposed with an FAR of .45 where .39 is the maximum allowed by right.

The Planning Department met with the petitioners on Wednesday May 30, 2012. At that meeting the petitioners noted that while they did not think they could reduce the size of their house to where it could be allowed by right, they are willing to reduce the size of the third floor to bring the square footage of the house closer to compliance. The petitioners are working on revised plans and the reduced house will be presented to the Committee at the Working Session by the Planning Department.