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Nadia Khan, Committee Clerk
 Newton City Council
 1000 Commonwealth Avenue
 Newton, MA 02459

Re: 39 Herrick Road
 Special Permit Petition #80-17

Dear Nadia:

On behalf of my client Herrick Road Realty Trust, I am writing to request withdrawal of the above-referenced petition, which has been scheduled for public hearing on May 9, 2017. The reason for the withdrawal is that my client has been chosen as the Designated Developer to enter into negotiations with the City for the redevelopment of the former municipal branch library in Newton Centre. The proposed mixed-use project for the former library includes the property at 39 Herrick Road, adjacent thereto, which is the locus of the petition to be withdrawn.

It is my client's intent to fully engage the city in the negotiations culminating in an agreement to develop both parcels in a way that would have a broader beneficial impact on the city's land use objectives for the village.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Terrence P. Morris

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Cc: *via email*

Councilor Richard Blasar
 Councilor Victoria Danberg
 Councilor Gregory Schwartz
 Stuart Rothman, Herrick Realty Trust
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