

To: All the Members of the 147 Cosey Beach Avenue (Candlelite by the Sea) *Ad hoc* Committee:

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Dan McCann

Cc: April Capone Almon, Mayor

From: Paul J. Hongo, Jr., Director of Administration & Management

Date: August 4, 2008

**RE: Appreciation Acknowledgment**

The purpose of this memo is to formally thank you for serving on the 147 Cosey Beach Avenue (Candlelite by the Sea) *Ad hoc* Committee.

Since the time the committee was originally formed (August 2005), a great deal of creative thinking has gone into determining the best use for this wonderful piece of property. Thanks to everyone's collective participation, including input from other community activists, I believe you overcame a difficult challenge and accomplished the specific task you were called upon to do, which was to formulate a conceptual plan and design that would be generally accepted by the community as a whole. Congratulations on a job well done!

From this point forward, the Town will continue to seek various resources to help us fund the different projects associated with the construction of our passive park; be it in the form of securing federal/state grant monies, or from community volunteers such as the students at Eli Whitney Technical High School in Hamden (They have expressed an interest in helping us with the construction of the pavilion).

In any event, it goes without saying none of this could have been possible had it not been for your unwavering commitment and dedication to this project. Thank you again.

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From: Paul J. Hongo, Jr., Director of Administration & Management

Date: April 7, 2009

**RE: Status Update**

The purpose of this memo is to provide you an update regarding the construction status of the park at 147 Cosey Beach Avenue (formerly known as the Candlelite by the Sea).

As you recall, an architect was secured to draw up a conceptual plan design based upon the suggestions of the committee, as well as from other community activists who provided input throughout the discussions.

I am happy to report we are at the stage where plans and designs on paper become reality.

To that end, the architect's original conceptual plan design was forwarded to James Staunton, the Town's Engineer so it could be brought up to "spec". Remember, the architect's conceptual plan design was just that – a plan design that incorporated the functional items the committee and others requested. It did not take into consideration things like the location of the water main on Cosey Beach Avenue, fire hydrant and sewer hook-ups, Town specifications pertaining to parking aisles and spaces or even factors related to American Disability Act (ADA) compliance.

As a result, the location of some items, such as the splash pad, parking aisles and spaces, and handicap-accessible restrooms have been moved and/or modified to make certain the Town does not violate any local, state or

federal statute. Revisions also reflect considerations for pedestrian traffic to and from the beach crosswalks. For your convenience I am enclosing a copy of the moves/modifications made to the original conceptual plan design – as you can see they are highlighted in red.

Lastly, I want to remind everyone the Town is using the monies from the insurance claim to purchase the construction materials for the park. If you recall, the Town received an insurance check for \$300,000, of which approximately \$50,000 was used for demolition purposes; and of course, the engineering and construction work is being performed by the Town's Public Services employees.

In closing, please do not hesitate to call me if you have questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Thank you.