



Commissioner Michael Dennehy  
Boston Public Works Department  
1 City Hall Plaza, Room 710  
Boston, MA 02201

June 30, 2015

Dear Commissioner Dennehy:

Fenway Civic Association ("FCA") is the Fenway's oldest all-volunteer organization that accepts no public or developer funds. Founded in 1961, our mission is to promote a vital and livable neighborhood in the Fenway.

We have been working with property owners and neighbors to address concerns regarding the streetscape improvements made as part of the Symphony Streetscape Improvement project, and most recently met on May 12 at Councilor Zakim's offices to discuss these concerns. The streetscape project, while offering significant improvements to the Symphony neighborhood, has left sections of Westland Avenue unimproved, resulting in a non-cohesive streetscape for the section of sidewalk leading from Edgerly Road to its junction at Hemenway Street, with a mix of streetlighting and sidewalk quality and access conditions.

We request continuation of streetscape and lighting upgrades performed under MassDOT's project along Westland Avenue to the corner of Westland Avenue and Hemenway Streets. Our understanding is that the plans for MassDOT's project, including specifications for lighting and equipment are on file with the City, but that this project's continuation would require review, design, and a capital project approval.

We would be happy to meet with you to discuss this request. Attached, please find photos of the sidewalk conditions along the unimproved section of Westland Avenue.

We appreciate your response to this request and thank you for your time.  
Sincerely,

Marie Fukuda, FCA board member  
Barbara Brooks Simons, President, Symphony United Neighbors  
Louvere Walker, President, Fenway Community Development Corporation Board  
Bill Smith, Property Manager Boyd Smith Inc.  
Chris Kaneb, Catamount Management  
Mike Meskin, President, Boston Union Realty

CC: Fenway Civic Association Board  
Senator William Brownsberger  
Rep. Byron Rushing  
Rep. Jay Livingstone  
City Councilor Josh Zakim

Street conditions Westland Avenue 2015 (Edgerly Road to Hemenway Street section)



*Asphalt Patch Westland Avenue south side*



*South side Westland, with upgraded area in background*



*Plank patch, south side Westland*



*More asphalt patching south side Westland*

Street conditions Westland Avenue 2015 (Edgerly Road to Hemenway Street section)



*Light fixtures in street section without upgrade*