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Dear Ryan:

I just wanted to take a moment to comment on the property and the relationship the trees have to the new structure. Since the new structure is on the same footprint as the original, the trees on the north side have been leaning precariously toward the house for quite some time and the cedar immediately in front of the structure to the west has made contact with the eave on previous occasions. The 3 small ash trees are of no significance and there are 2 deciduous trees to the south that are dead and pose as hazards.

The remaining trees, 2 very small cedars and 1 larger one are clustered to the west on the southern end of the structure. Although there was some question during the site visit concerning the viability of the recommendation to remove them, I would like express my support for the removal of the 2 smaller cedars. The larger one could be removed as well without consequence, but if all 3 can't get approval, the 2 small cedars being removed would have the greatest aesthetic impact while having an insignificant level of environmental impact.

That being said, I would like to thank the board for making the trek to review the proposal while on-site.

Sincerely,

Bill de Vos

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