



NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION *for*  
OLMSTED  
PARKS

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**Re: Arborway Parkway Improvements Project**

The National Association for Olmsted Parks (NAOP) applauds progress on the Arborway Parkway Improvements Project and believes all three proposed design options present significant improvements over existing conditions.

We support DCR's shared goals and favor modifications that will expand dedicated green space and trees and provide safe and user-friendly pathways for pedestrians and bicyclists. The Project offers a timely opportunity to restore a continuous linear park design in keeping with Frederick Law Olmsted's original plan.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment and look forward to further updates on this important project.

Sincerely,

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President and CEO

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