From: Robert Elmes

To: <u>Historic District Commission (Staff)</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]Re: [EXTERNAL]In support of the existing Waldorf School outdoor classrooms / shelters

Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 6:08:53 PM

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Cleaning up a typo and attributing the quote. Thank you!

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Thank you for your time and the important work you do for the City of Detroit and it's citizens.

Robert Elmes www.galapagosdetroit.com

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On May 9, 2022, at 2:52 PM, Historic District Commission (Staff) hdc@detroitmi.gov wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thanks for sending over your feedback, your comment will be shared with the Commission prior to Wednesday's meeting.

Have a nice day!

Sincerely,

Brendan Cagney

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Michael E. Duggan, Mayor

In order to ensure your safety and ours during the COV-ID 19 pandemic, we will be working remotely until further notice.

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