

April 26. 2021

Honorable Members of Detroit City Council Coleman A. Young Municipal Center 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1340 Detroit, MI 48226

Dear Council Members,

My name is Ken Brown, I am the Director at Matrix Human Service and for the past 7 years, we have worked together with the Parade Company to develop a summer program where 50 -100 youth between the ages of 6-17 would go to the Parade Company and design and create a float for the Osborn Neighborhood parade. The summer event has been a tremendous addition to the summer experience that we provide low income youth. The camp has allowed the youth to open their eyes to career opportunities, positive adult relationships, creativeness and good old fashion fun. The team at the Parade Company has always been patient, outgoing and willing to meet our youth where they are at.

The new space would open up more opportunities for young people to come down and visit the parade company. The new look space would actually match the level of teaching they provide at the Parade company.

We are hopeful that you will support the Parade Company and the plan to rehabilitate the Broadhead project.

Sincerely,

Ken Brown

Director