



Frederick Douglass Peace Garden

11.6.19 Community Meeting

Comments

Current state of the property:

- Serious concerns about the current condition of the garden, and the safety of the neighborhood. Clear out the garden, fence it off, and find services for the people who are spending time there.
- Fence off the area until it is developed, because it is unclean and unsafe.
- Concern about the current state of the garden, including drug and alcohol abuse, human excrement, litter, and unpleasant appearance. Remove the concrete benches, clean the park, and remove the white fence.

Uses:

- I'm glad something is being done about the park. Consider parking needs. I approve of the idea of developing as housing.
- This parcel should remain green space to balance out development such as the 26-story NEU building going up across the street.
- This should remain open space that takes input from neighbors and current park users, and celebrate its history. Housing shouldn't be at the expense of open space.

Climate and Sustainability:

- The area is an urban heat island, prone to flooding, and threatened by rising sea levels. The area should be protected as open space to mitigate these climate impacts, especially for the elderly population.
- Do not increase population density at the expense of human health. Maintain trees.