

EAST FOREST PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Kerry L. Dietz
Chair, Springfield City Planning Board
Springfield Office of Planning & Economic Development
70 Tapley Street
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Sunday, September 17, 2006

Dear Ms. Dietz:

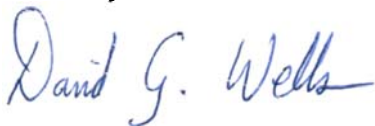
The board of the East Forest Park Civic Association has voted to support the expansion of the YWCA on 1 Clough St.

On September 13th, 2006, Mary Johnson, Executive Director of the YWCA of Western Massachusetts, presented the plans to the board of directors and interested parties at the civic association meeting. It is our understanding that a new 19 unit building will be built on the existing site, and will have space for a group home as well. This parcel of land is sequestered from the local residences, and is adjacent Diamond Affiliates, LLC.

The board feels that this development would be a welcome addition to the East Forest Park neighborhood, and are happy to support any applications necessary.

Should you need any additional information about the presentation made at the East Forest Park Civic Association, please contact me directly, or refer to the meeting minutes posted at www.eastforestpark.org.

Sincerely,



David G. Wells
President, East Forest Park Civic Association

cc: Mary Reardon Johnson
Executive Director, YWCA of Western Massachusetts
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