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## MOTION

The recent neighborhood boundaries discussion involving Clifton, CUF and Corryville underscores the necessity to review how the City notifies neighborhoods for issues happening in adjacent communities. I move that the City Administration, in collaboration with Invest in Neighborhoods and Community Councils leadership, come up with a set of new recommendations to codify how the City engages citizens on issues of development that affect their neighborhoods.

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## Statement:

Community engagement is an essential component of good government. Communities adjacent to neighborhoods are only notified when some specific criteria are met. These criteria need to be reviewed and updated. Without these updates, I fear that boundary issues will increase.

For example, notifying residents only within a 400' overlap zone does not take into consideration the role Community Councils play to preserve and enhance the quality of life of their communities. Community Councils must be systematically notified.

Also, the traditional 400' buffer notification, does not acknowledge that some development beyond these boundaries may have drastic consequences on neighboring communities.

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These concerns should not be dealt with by changing the historical boundaries of our neighborhoods but by being better at engaging our citizens.

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