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Dear Office of Planning & Design:

As the owners of the property adjacent to 1279 Bassett Ave, we OBJECT to the request for a variance for the construction of the proposed garage. This gravel, dead-end, spur alley has been encroached upon and narrowed by outbuilding and fence construction that goes over the property line. The alley is becoming harder to navigate—with piles of yard waste and garbage cans obstructing the way.

The De Gondas are careless about blocking access to the alley. Many times, we must exit our car to move the De Gonda's recycling and wheeled trash containers to drive into or out of the alley. Their proposed structure will permanently displace the bins into the passageway. It is unlikely that anyone would store trash cans in a building as shown in the plans; the receptacles would still sit in the alley two days a week for pick-up. Adherence to standard building setbacks is a practical necessity to maneuver the tight space of this alleyway.

These neighbors have undertaken at least two previous unpermitted projects—which incorporated inappropriate materials and illegal exterior changes. Neighbors have called Planning & Design about their ignorance of/or refusal to adhere to Landmark regulations. I cannot imagine why a variance would be granted to them now, when they have not corrected any of the previous errors.

Please do not allow over-construction of the alley. We are the residents who have bought and spread numerous truck-loads of gravel and who maintain the passageway that several of us share. The De Gondas have not acted as considerate neighbors, and they have not respected the ordinances of the historic neighborhood.

Thank you for registering our objection.

Sincerely,  
Leslie & James Millar



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