

From: Zachary Dean <zacharydean1@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 12:10 PM
To: Askin, Tim
Subject: Re: 1841 N Prospect

Hi Tim,

Thank you for taking my call today. If approved by the historic commission, we'll plan to move the Little Free Library back a foot or so to be in compliance with the city code. I'll await a notification from you to proceed.

Regarding the meeting on August 14th, as discussed I'll be out of state. Here is a statement from me which I hope addresses any concerns that may arise.

My wife and I have been lovers of literature since we were children. Some of our fondest memories are those of us seated on our parents laps being read to, sneaking a flashlight into bed and reading late into the night while we were supposed to be sleeping, and when we were old enough to go out on our own, discovering the wonder of a library! Shelves and shelves of books - what a joy to behold! We purchased the Little Free Library wanting to share a little piece of this experience with more kids, adults, parents, and families. Reading is such a big part of our lives, and we think more books being shared is a very good thing.

I hope you'll agree the Little Free Library is quite good looking. We constructed it out of high quality cedar and pine and painted it to match the aesthetics of the Sanford Kane home. We love our historic property and everything we do we do with the intention of preserving it's beauty while also making it accessible to the community.

I understand there is no precedent yet established for Little Free Libraries on historic properties, but I think the founding fathers and mothers of Milwaukee would approve of more people being given the opportunity to stumble across a fun book. It sounds like this case will greatly influence the state's attitude toward these structures, and we hope you'll decide that when done well they are a positive addition to historic properties and to the community as a whole.

Joyfully,

Zach Dean