



City of Kingston Public Safety/General Government Committee
Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, March 27, 2019
6:30 PM

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3 OLD BUSINESS

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Submitted by: Dee Sills

Submitting Department: Public Works

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Ora Place & Downs St. Parking

Suggested Action:

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CITY OF KINGSTON

Office of the Mayor

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Steven T. Noble
Mayor



February 28, 2019

Mr. James L. Noble, Jr.
Alderman-At-Large
President of the Common Council
Kingston City Hall
420 Broadway
Kingston, New York 12401

Dear President Noble,

Downs Street has seen a surge of economic development activity with the recent opening of a couple of new businesses, as well as the first phase of the Midtown Linear Park. In an effort to address access to the Midtown Linear Park for emergency vehicles, as well as assuring that Ora Place has the appropriate parking restrictions, DPW's Safety Officer recently surveyed the situation and has proposed two main suggestions:

- 1) No parking in front of the Midtown Linear Park
- 2) No parking on the westerly side of Ora Place, adjacent to the guardrail

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven T. Noble
Mayor

CITY OF KINGSTON
Department of Public Works
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Diane Bergquist, Safety Officer



Steven T. Noble, Mayor

Ora Pl. & Down St. Parking Issue Review

Dimensions of Ora Place road area:

Width at Entrance at Down St.	19'	Pictures 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
Width at End of Ora Pl.	24'	Pictures 8, 11 & 12
Length of Ora Pl. from Down St.	286'	Picture 9
Average Width of Ora Pl.	21.5'	
Narrowest Width of Ora Pl.	15' 7"	

Parking Example #1

Guard rail to truck	12' 8"	Pictures 13, 14 & 15
Width of Truck	6' 6"	

Parking Example #2

Guard rail to small red car	9'	Pictures 16 & 17
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Based on the information listed in the Highway Design Manual, Chapter 2 – Design Criteria, dated May 31, 2018, Exhibit 2-7 & 2-8 Design Criteria for Non-NHS (National Highway System) Local Urban Streets minimum lane and parking widths are listed as follow:

Travel Lanes -	Minimum Width Desirable	
Residential area with severe ROW limitations (ROW = Right of Way)	9'	10'
Parking Lanes -		
Residential area	7'	8'

As listed in Figure 3B-21 – Examples of Parking Space Markings for the Manual of Unified Traffic Control Devices parking spaces should be 8' wide by approximately 20' long and set back from sidewalks 20'.

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Diane Bergquist, Safety Officer



Steven T. Noble, Mayor

In my opinion, based on all research documentation and the calculated minimum road area required for right of way and parking Ora Pl. should restrict parking to one side, which should be in front of the resident's homes.

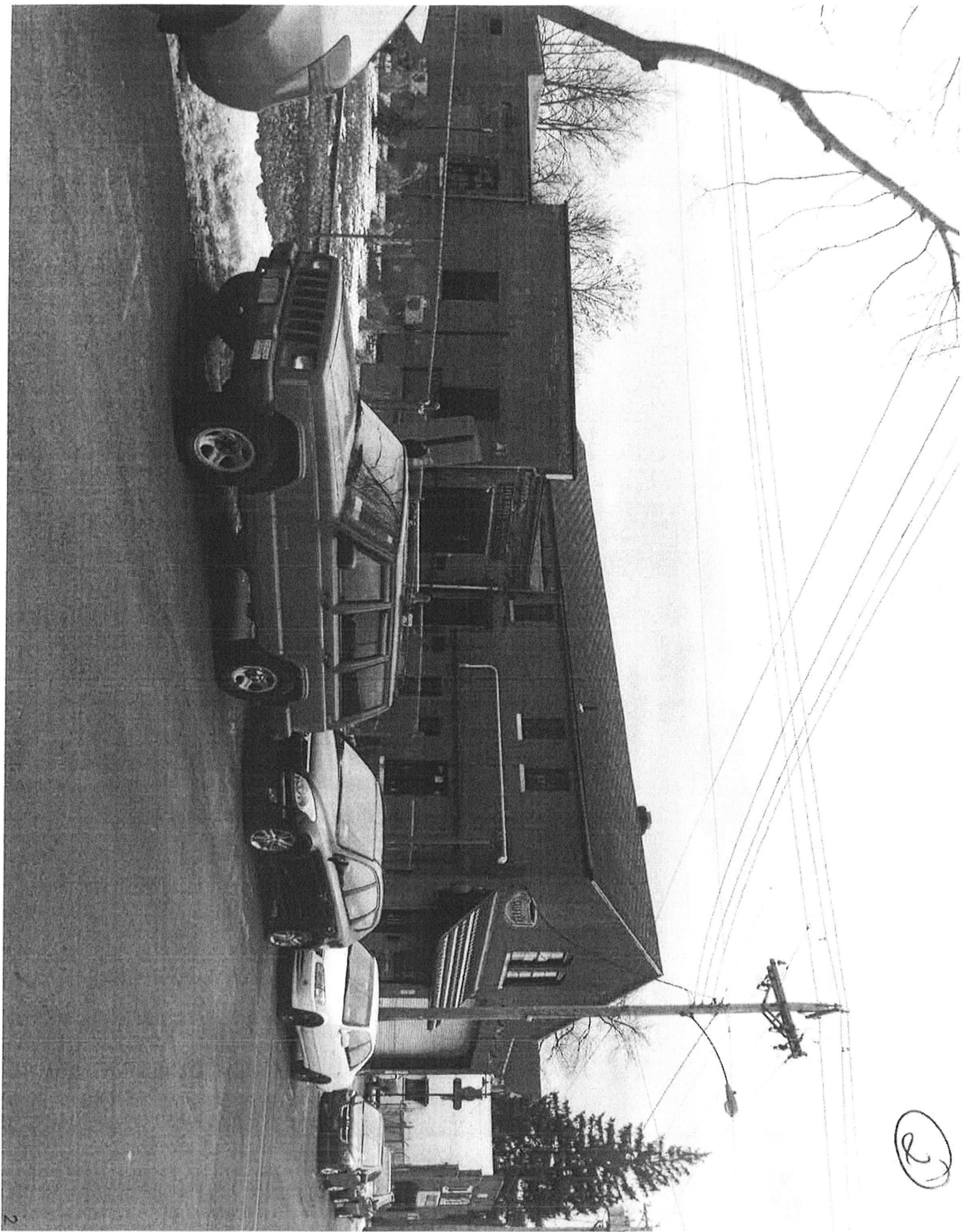
No parking should be posted along the guard rail on the trail side of Ora Pl., which would also protect the fire hydrant located at the end of Ora Pl. on the trail side of the guard rail.

The other issue that should be addressed is no parking area in front of the entrance gate to Linear Park Trail on Down St. The actual gate to the trail access should have a sign stating "Authorized Vehicles Only" to allow emergency vehicle access to the trail if needed.

If any further information is needed please feel free to contact me.



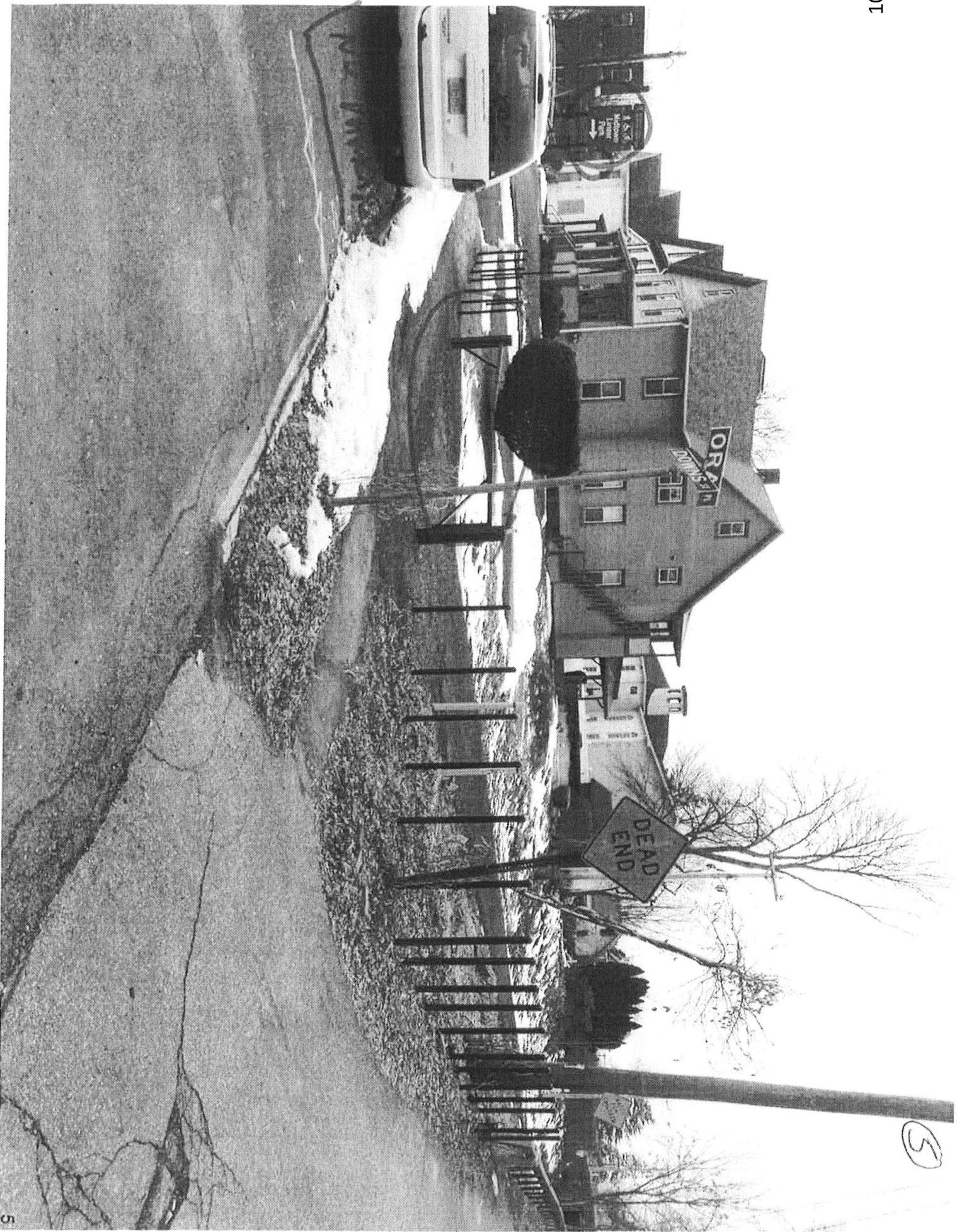
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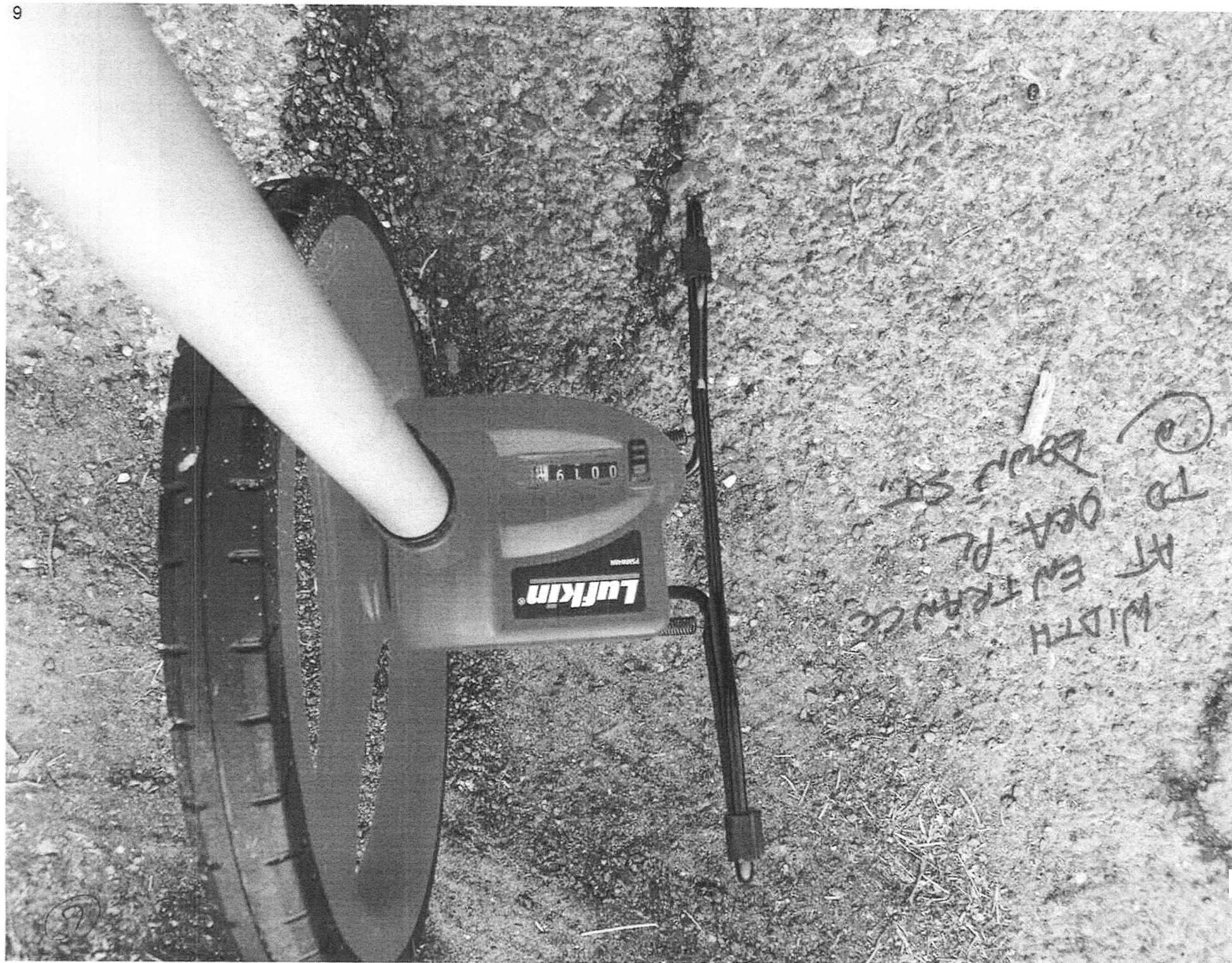
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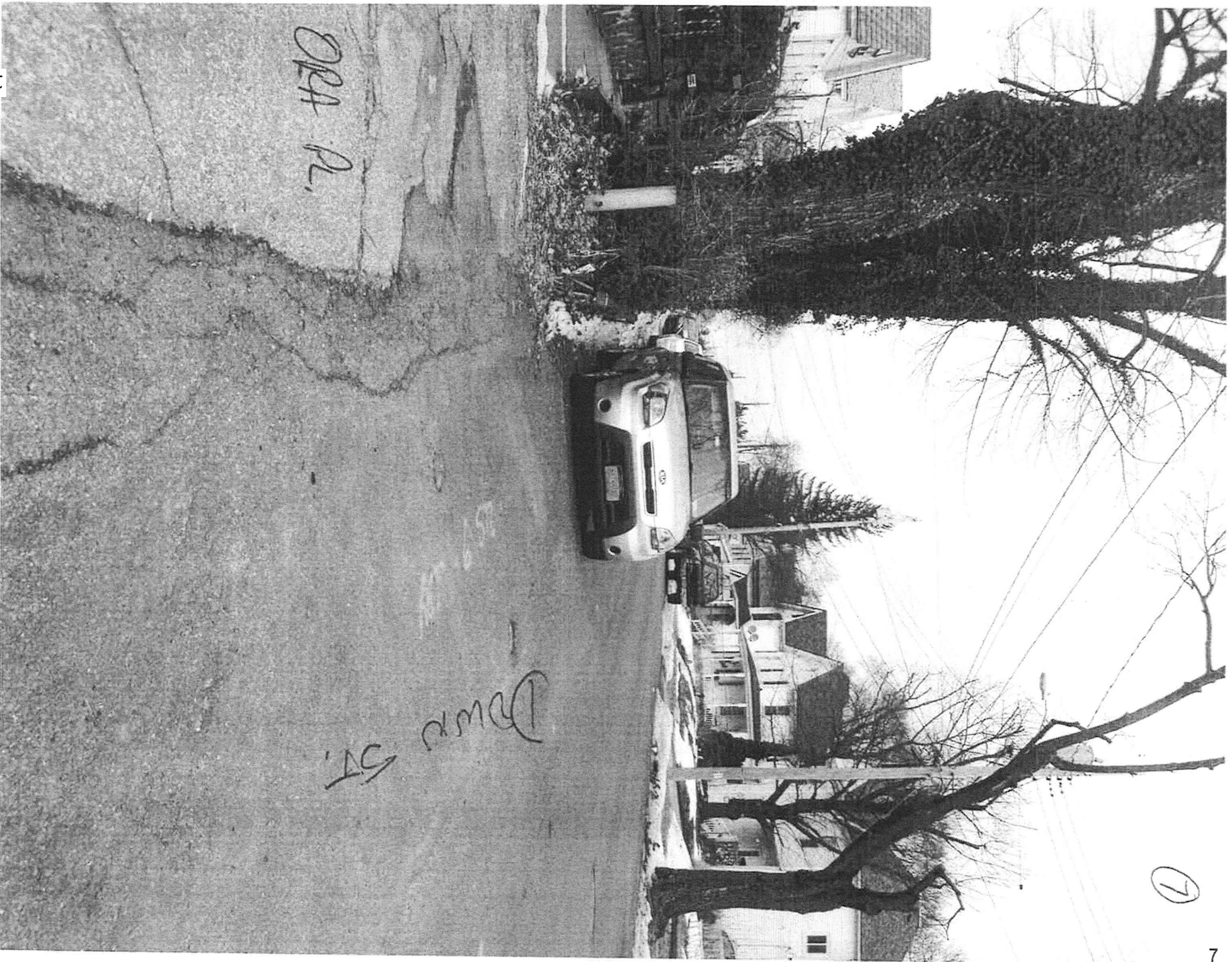






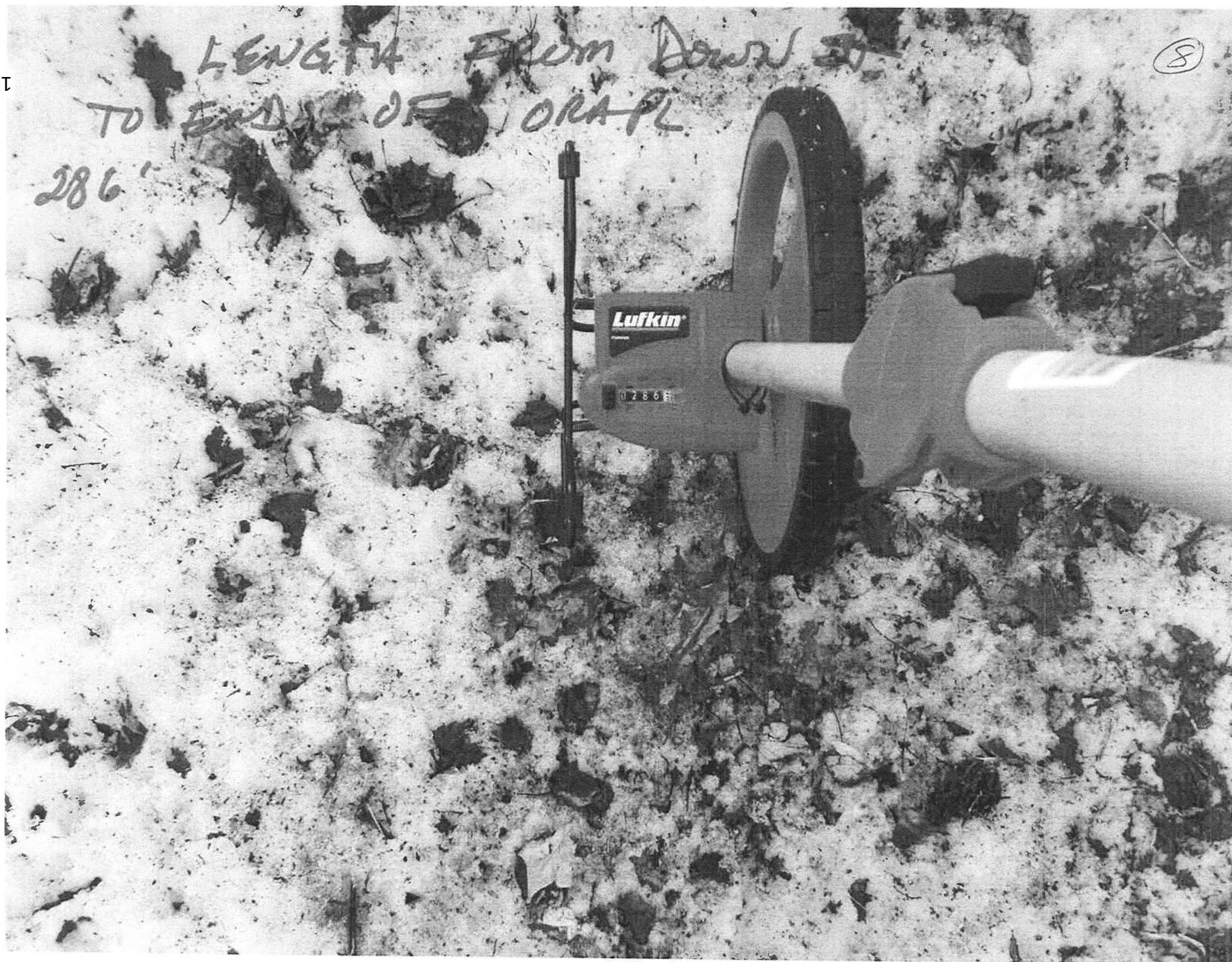
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LENGTH FROM DOWN ST
TO END OF ORAPL
286'

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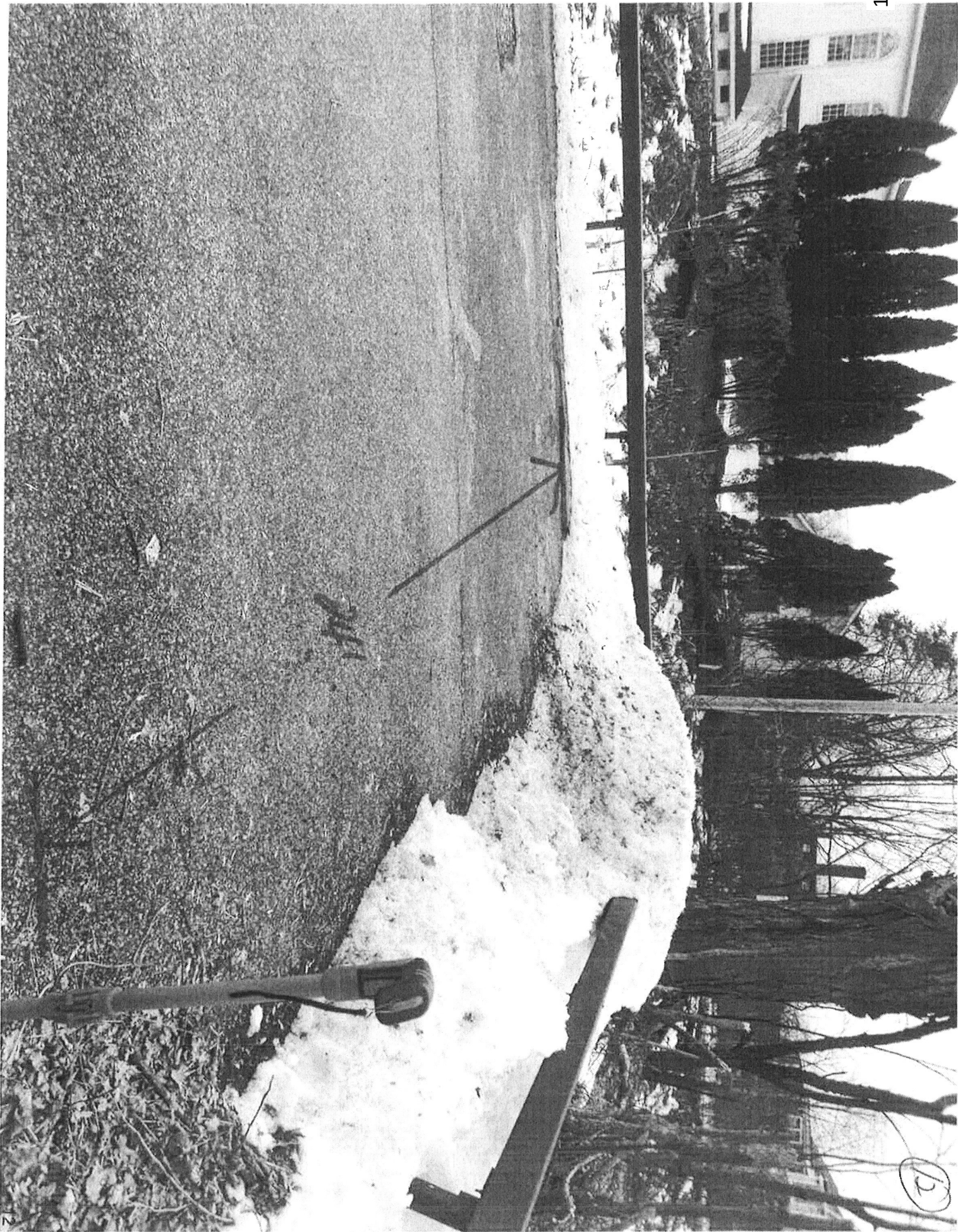




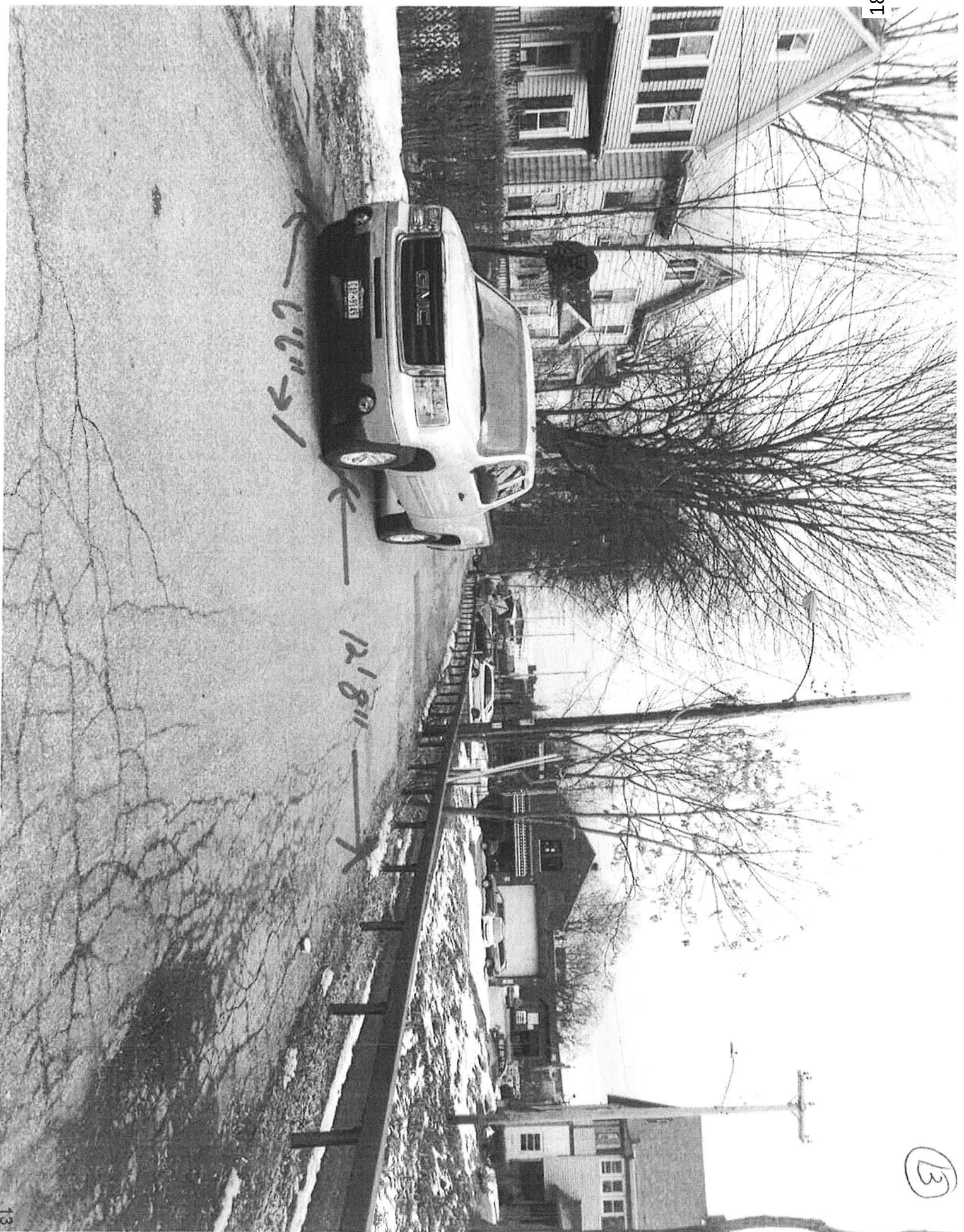


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GUARD RAIL
TO GRAY PICKUP PARKED
12' 8"

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GUARD RAIL TO
RED CAR PARKING
9'



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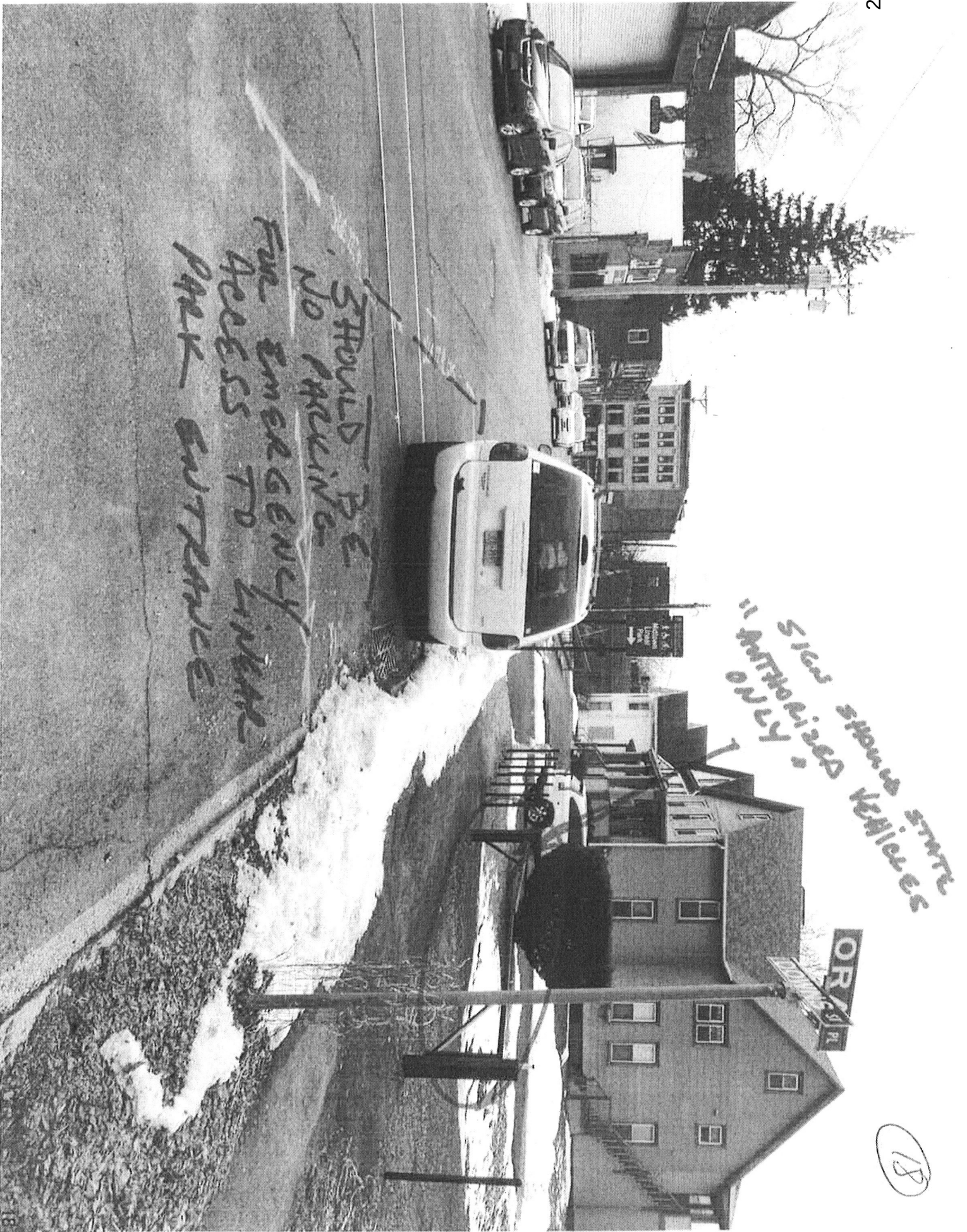
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Submitted by: Dee Sills

Submitting Department: Mayor

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Street Naming Junious Harris II

Suggested Action:

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Steven T. Noble
Mayor



March 1, 2019

Mr. James L. Noble, Jr.
Alderman-At-Large
President of the Common Council
Kingston City Hall
420 Broadway
Kingston, New York 12401

Dear President Noble,

My office was recently notified by Anthony Harris, grandson of Junious "Junie" Harris II, with a request for a commemorative street naming to honor his late grandfather.

Junious was a dedicated member of the Kingston Police Department for 30 years, before moving on to the Ulster County District Attorney's Office as the Chief Special Investigator for 15 years and then retiring. He later went on to serve on the City of Kingston's Police Commission. Junious has undoubtedly been an exemplary member of this community and this commemorative street naming would be a great honor for Junious and his family.

Attached, is Anthony's formal request to name Furnace Street in honor of Junious Harris.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven T. Noble
Mayor

Anthony C. Harris, BSN, RN, CEN

357 West O'Reilly Street – Apartment 1707 • Kingston, NY 12401 • Phone: 845-706-9801
E-Mail: anthonyc1987@gmail.com

Date: Thursday, January 10, 2019

The Honorable Mayor Steve Noble
Honorable Members of the Common Council
City of Kingston
420 Broadway
Kingston, NY 12401

Re: Commemorative Street Naming

Dear Mayor Noble and Members of Common Council:

I am honored to submit for your review and consideration, the commemorative naming of Furnace Street to “Junie Harris Way” to honor Kingston native, and my grandfather, Junious “Junie” Harris II. All cities possess the unique opportunity to honor their citizens for outstanding contributions and achievements to their home cities, state, and country. By re-naming Furnace Street I am hoping to bring Junie’s past into the present, helping weave his legacy into the fabric of the local identity of the city he loved so much.

I wish to take this opportunity to discuss why I believe Junious Harris deserves to be honored with a commemorative naming of the street at which he resided for fifty-two years. His Furnace Street residence is where Junie proved to be a great man of many admirable accomplishments including an unfaltering husband, father to eight children, Kingston City Police Officer, Investigator for the Ulster County District Attorneys Office, and finally Police Commissioner. It is my hope to bring awareness to the events, accolades, and the countless lives he impacted during his life of service that others might be inclined to forget.

Junious, affectionately called Junie, was virtuous, altruistic, and scrupulously honest. He was always kind-hearted with a gentle soul that left everyone smiling, even some of the motorists he ticketed early on in his thirty-year career with KPD. One could always find him sitting outside on his porch simply to greet neighbors and visitors alike offering a smile, an extended hand, and advice if sought. His residence at 9 Furnace Street was, and remains to be, a crime-ridden area but despite numerous requests to relocate, Junie insisted on continuing to live at his home, which he did until he passed away there in January of 2018. It was important to him to disprove certain allegations of urban life, specifically such that poor neighborhoods force residents into a life of crime. He was adamant, through self-perseverance and the notion to lead by example, that he could change the mind-set of the community, especially the youth.

Junie had exceptional qualities and attributes that set him above an already elite group of officers. He was truly a man of the people of Kingston. Upon graduating Kingston High School in 1951, and serving as an Airman in the 47th Troop in the United States Air Force, he was deployed to Okinawa during the Korean War all the while

defying the status quo that segregated blacks, which relegated them to working in the kitchen even while serving their country. He received the Medal of Honorable Service.

In the early 1960s, Junie was a rookie policeman walking the “beat” for the Kingston Police Department at which time there was only a handful of African American officers. Through that duty is how he truly embraced the city of Kingston; walking the streets allowed him to deeply connect with individuals in the community. Junie’s desire was always to use his position as a police officer to improve the lives of his fellow citizens, particularly the youth. He became a member of the successful Kingston Patrolman Association (KPA) that sponsored an annual Christmas party at the Ulster community theater. Many recall this event as being highly successful – a new bicycle was given away to a child every year, drawing as many as 1,500 anxious children hoping they would win. This particular event positively impacted both the youth and their families, providing a tangible reminder that the local police genuinely cared about them and their community.

My grandfather continued to bring positive events to the community and its youth, in 1969 Junie became a board member of the Kingston Boys Club. In 1976 he joined and helped to organize the Kingston Patrolman Athletic Club. The Patrolman’s Athletic Club brought boxing to Kingston along with thousands of spectators to witness competitive fights from Kingston, Troy, and Syracuse. These fights would include recognized names such as Floyd Patterson and local champion Billy Costello.

In 1978 he was promoted to Detective until his retirement in 1993. During his time as a Detective he worked fervently; he began operating security for Kingston High School, which allowed him more opportunities to reach the youth. Additionally, he networked with police officials and the late Police Chief James Riggins to recruit African-Americans in the community to take the police civil service exam. This was done through the distribution of posters, exam notices, visiting the High School and minority community group, and local black radio stations.

Junious continued his service to Kingston when he became Chief Special Investigator at the Ulster County District Attorneys Office. There he continued to devote his time towards helping the black youth in the community by establishing a new program through the DA’s office for enlisting minority men and women as interns. My grandfather knew that many minorities had distaste for law enforcement; he hoped to change their minds and encouraged minorities to consider careers on the force. This program allowed minority citizens an opportunity to professionally experience the court system first-hand. Upon retiring from the District Attorney’s Office, he continued to be involved in law enforcement by joining the board of Police Commissioners to further protect the community and promote the representation of the citizens of Kingston.

He received numerous awards, recognitions and citations for his work including outstanding perseverance in the performance of his duty as a detective; Police Honor Award for Meritorious Police Service; Certificate for Professionalism while conducting an investigation that led to the apprehension of a subject for murder in the second degree. In 1984 he received the Gold Valor Award for exceptional arrest record in major crimes during that year; in 1987, the Silver Merit award for his faithfulness and perseverance while investigating a homicide case

that was closed with an arrest and conviction. The Ulster County Boces Vo-Tec Center honored him for his association and contribution to the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee. The Police Chief's Association of Ulster County awarded Junie for special recognitions performed in 2005. His highest accolade, the Lifetime Achievement Award, he proudly received from the Ulster County Police Association.

My grandfather was a man who not only served his country, but also served his city and community with the utmost respect, integrity, and courage all the while dedicating his life to his family that he loved and cherished immeasurably. Commemoratively naming a Kingston City street in the honor of Junious Harris would embody his accomplishments and legacy to remain intimately familiar with the citizens of Kingston for years to come.

With much appreciation for your time and consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony C. Harris', with a stylized, cursive script.

Anthony C. Harris

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Meeting Date: March 27, 2019

Submitted by: Dee Sills

Submitting Department: Common Council

Item Type: Proposed Resolution

Agenda Section:

Subject:

Handicap Parking 115 Hone St.

Suggested Action:

Attachments:

[20190318113209.pdf](#)

Tinti, Elisa

From: Shaut, Andrea
Sent: Friday, March 01, 2019 3:55 PM
To: Noble, James; Tinti, Elisa
Subject: Handicap Removal

Good Afternoon,

I am requesting that the handicap sign at 115 Hone Street be removed. The resident who was in need no longer lives at the address. Please place this communication on the appropriate committee.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Andrea Shaut

Alderwoman, Ward 9

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Subject:

Remove Handicap Parking 26 VanBuren St.

Suggested Action:

Attachments:

[20190318113423.pdf](#)

Tinti, Elisa

From: Noble, James
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 3:38 PM
To: Tinti, Elisa
Subject: Fwd: Removal of Hanicapped Parking

Hi Elisa
 Please add this communication to the PS Committee . Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Worthington, Rita" <ward4@kingston-ny.gov>
Date: March 15, 2019 at 2:21:33 PM EDT
To: "Schabot, Steven" <sschabot@kingston-ny.gov>
Cc: "Noble, James" <jnoble@kingston-ny.gov>
Subject: Removal of Hanicapped Parking

Good aternoon:

Please add to this month's Public Safety agenda the request to remove a handi-cap parking sign at 26 VanBuren Street. The person that initially needed the sign no longer resides at the residence. I spoke to the landlord Jeremy Merner, who confirmed same and is in agreement with the request.

Thank you.

Rita

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Submitting Department: Common Council

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Subject:

Handicap Parking 16 Hunter St.

Suggested Action:

Attachments:

[20190318121310.pdf](#)

Tinti, Elisa

From: Schabot, Steven
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 9:21 AM
To: Noble, James; jnoble39@aol.com
Cc: Tinti, Elisa
Subject: Public Safety Agenda

Handicapped Parking Request:

Roger Arrington
16 Hunter Street

4420541
Exp. 9/20

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Submitting Department: Common Council

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Handicap Parking 52 VanDeusen St.

Suggested Action:

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[Handicap Parking 52 VanDeusen.pdf](#)

Tinti, Elisa

From: Worthington, Rita
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 9:25 AM
To: Noble, James; Schabot, Steven
Cc: Noble, Steve; Tinti, Elisa
Subject: FW: Handi-capped Parking

Communication for 52 VanDeusen St. I need this on tonight's agenda.

Rita

From: Worthington, Rita
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 1:26 PM
To: Noble, James
Cc: Schabot, Steven; Tinti, Elisa
Subject: Handi-capped Parking

Jim,

I know this is late notice but could you please do what you can to get a request for handicapped parking on the this month's public safety agenda.

Back in May of 2018, Sequoya Mayo sent a request to me asking that a sign be placed in front of his home at 52 Van Deusen. I was under the impression that I had sent the communication in and that this had taken place as I had not heard from Mr. Mayo.

I received a call from Elisa Tinti indicating Mr. Mayo was at City Hall wondering when he was going to get his handicapped parking sign. Elisa told me that she did see any requests nor communications relating to this matter.

Mr. Mayo has a handicapped sticker for the City of Kingston, permit # 4420783. Again, the request was made back in May 2018, so it is important to me that this gets on the agenda sooner rather than later. If it cannot be placed on the public safety agenda, is it possible to get it in at caucus?

Thank you.

Rita M. Worthington

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Subject:

Handicap Parking 18 Ora Place

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Alderwoman, Ward 9

From: Tinti, Elisa
Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2019 2:28 PM
To: Shaut, Andrea; Noble, James
Subject: Handicap sign

Hello,

I received a call from Christine Schrader who lives at 18 Ora Place, Ward 4. She is requesting a handicap parking sign in front of her house. She states that she has permanent handicap plates on her car. She also states that she will not reach out to Rita under any circumstances. Her number is 845-418-1649.

Thank you,

Elisa

Elisa Tinti

City Clerk and Registrar
City of Kingston

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[Kingston City Clerk Webpage](#)



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Handicap Parking 74 Cedar St. & 68 Cedar St.

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From: Jo Ann Kiernan <pudgeon16@aol.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 10:19 PM

To: Worthington, Rita

Subject: Request for Handicapped Parking Space on Cedar Street

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Dear Alderwoman Worthington:

We spoke yesterday (Monday) about the removal of my handicapped spot located at 74 Cedar Street. I now live at 70 Cedar Street and would appreciate it if another handicapped spot could be erected in front of 68 Cedar Street. My landlady, Elizabeth Long, resides at 68 and has graciously given her permission to have the spot located in front of her house. If you need to speak her, she can be reached at 845-331-9438.

I do understand that a resolution cannot be made until the end of March. As you indicated, you would be willing to get back to me to let me know if the resolution goes through and when the signs will be erected. I want to thank you for your help. I greatly appreciate it. I can be reached at 845-616-2524.

Jo Ann Kiernan

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Submitting Department: Common Council

Item Type: Informational Purposes

Agenda Section:

Subject:

Discussion of speed bump Clinton Ave.

Suggested Action:

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Douglas Koop
Ward 2 Alderman

From: Koop, Douglas
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 7:24 AM
To: Noble, James
Cc: Steve Schabot; Norman, Edward; jschulteis@kingston-ny.gov; Scott-Childress, Reynolds; Noble, Steve; hvcurrency@yahoo.com
Subject: FW: Speed bumps on Clinton Ave.

Dear Alderman-at-Large Noble,

I respectfully request that that a consideration of speed bumps on Clinton Avenue be placed on the Agenda of the Public Safety/General Government committee.

Sincerely,
Douglas Koop
Ward 2 Alderman
