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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Cambridge Planning Board  
**From:** Joseph E. Barr, Director   
**Date:** January 12, 2016  
**Re:** **PB#307, Proposed Project at 9 Donnell Street**

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The Cambridge Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department (TP&T) has reviewed the Special Permit application being requested for the project at 9 Donnell Street. The Project proposes to demolish an existing two-family residential building and construct two single-family dwelling units on the lot with required off street parking in an underground garage located on the site.

TP&T identified a concern with the driveway sight lines and we have been working with project's architect, John Walker, to address this issue. We believe that an updated site plan, dated 1/11/16, addresses our sight line concern related to the physical layout of the driveway. We have the following project recommendations:

1. Nothing in excess of 3 feet above the driveway grade should be allowed within the driveway sightline triangles, taking into account the downward slope of the driveway as it moves away from the street. For example, the proposed stone wall and retaining wall should be no more than 3 feet above the lowest point on the driveway that is located within the sight triangle, and no additional fencing should obstruct the sight lines.
2. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the final designs should be reviewed and approved by TP&T.
3. The Project should be reviewed and approved by the Department of Public Works to ensure conformance with public right-of-way building standards and coordination with any ongoing construction projects.