

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
OFFICE OF TAX AND REVENUE



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February 22, 2013

The Honorable Jack Evans, Chairman
Committee on Finance and Revenue
Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 106
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Evans:

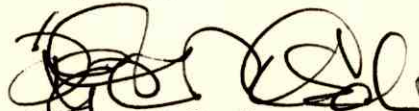
Chief Financial Officer Natwar M. Gandhi has requested me to respond to your letter of January 10, 2013, which expresses your support for the creation of digital video to explain to taxpayers the process of appealing real property tax assessments and for including additional key characteristics from property record cards on the Real Property Assessment Database.

We are working closely with the Office of Cable Television for the production of a real property tax appeals video. It is our expectation that the video will be produced and made available on our web site in time for taxpayers to benefit from it in the upcoming real property assessment appeals season.

We have identified three additional fields, all relating to property condition, for inclusion in the information on individual properties already available on OTR's web site. We have also added a link from our site to DCRA's property information verification system which provides property history and permit information. It is my expectation that the information will be made available by March 1, 2013, and so of use to property owners in the current appeals on property condition cycle.

I will keep you apprised of developments as they occur.

Very truly yours,



Stephen M. Cordi

cc: Natwar M. Gandhi
Robert Farr