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- Despite curt dismissals to the contrary, damage to the adjoining structure at 1918 Newton Street is certainly possible during the construction phase of the extension. The back wall must be knocked out as well as a concrete porch shared by the two homes and the party wall could easily be damaged during that demolition. The basement at 1916 Newton Street must be dug out as well, and the new foundation will resettle. Gutters along the back of each structure must be reconfigured in some manner. Though these concerns have been voiced, no plan of redress for possible damage has been discussed.

- A solid brick wall just 7 feet from the structure at 1918 Newton Street will certainly obstruct the residents' view as well as the natural light coming into the kitchen and rear porch areas, both on the upper and lower levels. These concerns were dismissed as unrealistic, yet their outcome is inevitable.

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Tracy Berry 1924 Newton St NE WDC 20018		1/30/05
Darlene Bryant 1924 Newton St NE Washington DC		1/30/05
Alfreda Bryant 3600 21st St NE DC		1/30/05
Valarie E Johnson 1826 Newton St. N.E.		1/30/05
Margaret Kalaw 3630 - 20th ST, NE 20018		1/30/05
Mary Eccles 1931 Otis St NE 20018		1/30/05
Joseph Garner 1924 Otis St. NE.		1/30/05

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Mike Carswell 1837 Newton St NE Wash DC 20018	Michael Carswell	1-31-05
Betty A Gooden 1939 Newton St NE	Betty A Gooden	1-31-05
Bridget A. Allen 3002 Bunker Hill St. NE Wash, DC 20018	Bridget A. Allen	1-31-05
Cora A Dorsey 3602 20th St. N.E.	Cora A Dorsey	1-31-05
VANESSA DANTZLER 1904 NEWTON STNE Vanessa Dantzler	Vanessa Dantzler	1/31/05

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Lillian Mathieu 1918 Newton St NE, WDC 20018		1-30-05
Melvin Thomas 1906 Newton St NE. Wash DC 2001	Melvin Thomas	1-30-05
Ursula Higgins 1902 Newton Street, NE, WDC 20018	Ursula Higgins	1-30-05
Roberta Nickman 1900 Newton St. N.E. D.C. 20018	Roberta Nickman	1-30-05
JEROME V. GOODEN 1920 NEWTON ST NE	Jerome V. Gooden	01/30/05
Cynthia Hursley Douglass 1926 NEWTON STREET	Cynthia Hursley Douglass	01/30/05