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Sent: Thursday, October 1, 2020 10:56 PM
To: Katherine Sonnick
Subject: Planning Commission 9/23 Draft Minutes

Katherine:

I noted that the draft minutes for the 9/23/20 meeting are available.

You noted that I said "David Schuler mentioned about 30 years ago when Valley's Edge was proposed, the open area we have was a requirement by the town; aka the common land. Now thirty years later, you are saying let's develop that land. Sounds like the pressure of the town is receiving from the Commercial District land owners."

I would request that a small amendment be made to complete the questions that I asked as part of my statement: "Isn't the town still interested in maintaining this open space that is owned by Valley's Edge residents?" I also asked (but don't have the wording written down) if another area of land would be set aside for open space to offset any land that is taken from the designated open space in Valley's Edge? Perhaps you can review the recording of the meeting to confirm if necessary.

I do not know if I will be able to attend the meeting on Tuesday night, but would like to have the following read into the minutes if I am not able to attend: "I believe that there is another important questions to ask: What is the anticipated direct and indirect impact to the Mills Riverside Park that would occur if the Commercial District was to be extended as outlined in option "A"? Visual impact from various areas of the park? Sound impact due to extra traffic and normal sound that occurs as part of doing business? Anticipated traffic congestion and its impacts on the entry and exits of the park?"

Thank you for recent efforts to keep us informed of meetings. I hope that by improving communication we can ensure that all parties are equally informed of the work that is being done, the anticipated impacts and changes to zoning and regulations, and that a solution that meets the interests of the entire town can be found.

Thank you.
David Schuler
Valley's Edge