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Costco and Townhomes Apartments

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To: kovalchikk@togny.org

Good evening

I am writing to you again to express my concerns against any future development from Pyramid Corporation. May I remind you that they have not been a community minded partner since they took Guilderland to court for how many years to fight their taxes? Now they proceed to clear the land on a site for Costco that has not even been approved yet.

Building a Costco on that parcel will bring so much more traffic to the area and where we can't handle the traffic that is there now. Have you driven that area at 5:00? during a winter storm? Holiday shopping? The ring road was suppose to alleviate some of the traffic from Western and I have been on that road when it has been a crawl. The character of Western Ave will be greatly altered if Pyramid is allowed to build that store..

I didn't mind shopping at Crossgates but with all the fights with guns and knives, I only go to stores that have their own exit. You can no longer leisurely shop without looking over your shoulder and watching everyone to see what may happen and prepare your escape route. Pyramid paying for two officers is nothing, it is a drop in the bucket to what they need to do to ensure a safe place to shop so lets give them approval to build yet another store. Will additional security be provided? .

The Rapp Road apartments is another massive building project. All the roads surrounding Crossgates can not handle the additional traffic.

Guilderland should seriously take a step back and rethink all these projects and I didn't even mention the other projects that are being proposed by other developers in Guilderland. How many apartment houses do we need here? Will this be a burden on our firefighters and the equipment. What is next more trucks, equipment etc? .

No one can predict the future but the past can and certainly should be proof that Pyramid is not a reliable company. They are only looking out for themselves and Guilderland should be looking out for its residents.

.Thank you,
Pat McCarthy

-----Original Message-----

From: PAT MCCARTHY <pmfabfour@aol.com>

To: kovalchikk <kovalchikk@togny.org>

Sent: Sat, Sep 28, 2019 7:42 pm

Subject: Comments for Rapp Road Development EIS Scoping Document

I want to say that I am not in favor of the Pyramid Co and their desire to build on the corner of Rapp and Gipp Rd.

1. Do we need more apartments in Guilderland?
2. Will this be affordable housing?
3. Why can't Pyramid build closer to the mall near the old gas station?
4. I am totally against blocking Rapp Rd and traffic being diverted onto Gipp. I live off of Gipp and walking on that road now is dangerous I can only see it get worse with more traffic. I am not in favor of sidewalks as it looks more like a city than the suburbs.
5. I travel on Rt 155 every day and the traffic on Rt. 155 from Washington Ave is bumper to bumper at 5:00. I generally go down Washington and cut thru to get to Gipp to avoid the traffic. What is doing to correct this problem?
6. If it has to be built then it should be over in the parking lot near Macy's.
7. Why more retail space is this even profitable as the mall is turning into a entertainment center as the stores can't stay in business.
8. Finally, more development means more expansion on our police and fire departments, more apartments means more children and bigger schools which all this is more taxes for the average person.

I have lived in Guilderland for over 45 years and I think it is time to move, I know it will be if this development is allowed to go forward. Unfortunately I can't afford to move but I will be forced to leave my home.

Pat McCarthy
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Sent from my iPad