

December 29, 2020

Becky Litvak
1925 Washington Street Ext.
South Walpole, MA 02071
becky.litvak@gmail.com
(c) 781.718.1471

Zoning Board of Appeals
Walpole, MA

Dear ZBA Members,

I understand the next ZBA meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 6, 2021 for the 55 Summer Street project. I'd like to take the time to write to you now to voice a few concerns.

I urge you to please, within your legal right, do **not** waive the local bylaws in regard to this project. I understand local counsel may lead you in the opposing direction, but I beg of you to please stand strong and put a hard stop to waiving the local bylaws in the name of all Walpole residents, specifically those of us who will be gravely affected in South Walpole.

David Hale and Omni Development may have recently conceded to make minor changes to the project, but no changes that come from him will make enough of a difference to secure the safety and well-being of those of us that live in South Walpole. As many town officials and peer reviewers have previously stated in past hearings, the density of this project is preposterous to our community and needs to be drastically decreased, which you all have the legal right to enforce.

Did you know that David Hale purposely stopped his project at exactly .99%, one unit shy, according to the 2010 census, so that there is room for more developers, even possibly himself, to buy more land for additional developments in our town?

The concerns that were first stated by the Selectmen and town officials over one year ago are *still* the same concerns today. We need your help to put a stop to this magnitude of a project. A development with 100 or less units would still put pressure on our small community on all accounts, but it would ease the concerns. Anything more, is unconscionable for our neighborhood.

One last concern, that may seem insignificant to most, is that I ask you to prohibit any and all worker personal or professional vehicles from parking on any side roads. I ask specifically about Washington Street Extension, as just today, Omni had Bayside Engineering doing a study on the Walpole Common intersection and there were Bayside Engineering trucks parked in front of my home. This poses as a safety concern for my young children and neighboring families on our dead-end road with heavy trucks driving and parking on our front lawns. Please, add this condition to your list to ensure the safety of our families.

I wish you the best of luck during the decision-making process and truly hope that you will make the difficult decisions solely in the best interest of our Walpole residents.

Sincerely,

Becky Litvak

Becky Litvak
South Walpole Resident