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Subject: 29 Vly Rd

Good evening,

I am writing to you regarding the subdivision proposed by Rossetti behind 29 Vly Rd . Barring any huge environmental issues I fully expect that this will happen. I attended the 10/19 meeting and listened to everyone's comments. While many were concerned about trees, drainage, and other items like that in mainly heard about the traffic concerns.

I have lived on Vly Rd across from lorelee for over 25 years and have seen the traffic increase all over the area including Vly. Vly has become a cut through for a huge amount of traffic to avoid the light at rt 155. This has become worse since traffic is blocked for long periods of time since the bus stop was moved into the right hand turn lane. The speeding on this road is out of hand because they aren't people who live here and they don't treat it as an area where people bike and walk with their children. Coming off the "S" turn is treated as a challenge to see how quickly they can accelerate to about 40 to 50 MPH.

We have school buses all day long. There is no way that they are all going to saddle wood nor are they all picking up local students. So, they are either cutting through or going to boces. Goldstein uses this road as their route for their test drives. People that live in rolling hills, lishakill road neighborhoods and all the neighborhoods going towards route 7 cut through here.

The folks that live on hillside, lorelee, hanifan, and Chris place have a reason to be concerned. The backed up traffic isn't really going to be because of the number of houses going in, but because of the amount of traffic on Vly. I think a solution to address the traffic is for the village and the town to work together to address the traffic on Vly which will inevitably lead to improvements to the idling cars on the side streets.

I would propose that a simple inexpensive solution is stop signs. Put one at every side street going each way. There are 5 side roads that come out to Vly on that side of the road. Drop the speed to 25 mph. Make the Vly Rd cut through more inconvenient than the light at 155. Dead end consaul road at Vly so that people stop using that small street as a cut through to avoid the light at 155. When people come down that hill they don't even look to see if anyone is coming much less stop before taking the right toward central Ave. (and it's a little bit of a blind view to begin with)

As far as the project itself, in addition to the comments made in the meeting I'd like to add/ask the following:

if you must use hillside and Chris as access roads , the outlet on the other side of the proposed neighborhood could be opened as well. That neighborhood is well equipped to handle additional traffic and this would spread the traffic out some.

Where will the construction vehicles go in and out for this project ? The apartments construction vehicles have been kind of disruptive.

Will you be requiring that wind barriers be put up during construction? I assume it will be lengthy and dusty.

It seemed like you were all unaware of the sinkholes and water pooling on Vly. Is repairing and repaving the road AFTER construction is complete in the plans ?

Can the plans be revised to include more trees? We've lost so much green space to development in the town that it would be nice to not completely clear the lots out

I look forward to hearing what the village and town come up with to address the concerns of the residents in both areas with regards to the development itself and how to address the traffic it creates as well as the traffic that exists.

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