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Fwd: Belmonte - Spencer Arrowhead/KPR Development Project.

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Fri, Jan 19, 2018 09:11 AM

Looks like I have a few of these for the Spencer project. Can you please set aside for the next time it's on. May keep it off until 2/15 due to need for DOH 30 day time period.

Thanks,
Kate

From: "Kathleen Farone" <kathleen.farone@saratoga-springs.org>
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He must have sent this to me by mistake

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Sent: Friday, January 19, 2018 7:37:35 AM
Subject: Belmonte - Spencer Arrowhead/KPR Development Project.

TO: Saratoga Springs City Planning Board c/o Katie Faron

Dear Madams and Sirs:

I attended and spoke at the Jan. 18, 2018 Planning Board meeting **IN FAVOR** of the [Belmonte - Spencer Arrowhead/KPR Development Project](#).

In a previous email I detailed the reasons for my support. In this message I will restate my verbal comments and address some of the comments that I heard in the public comments.

1. I used my GPS app to track the additional distance that the present Julian's Way, East Ridge and Plum Ridge Court will have for walking, bicycling, etc. They will have an additional 2.7 miles of sidewalks to enjoy. This fact IS a big deal. Maybe not to a few. But the majority will love it. The children will be able to safely visit friends in other neighborhoods. When my family moved onto Horizon Drive at the corner of Vista, both streets were dead ends. We now love how the neighborhood has grown. We walk, our neighbors walk, we meet and socialize. Connected neighborhoods with sidewalks are a real positive for family life style and property values. Connected neighborhoods is a Planning Board initiative that should be continually encouraged.
2. Belmonte Builders are quality builders. They built some of the homes in the Woodlands. After 20-25 years the Belmonte homes have stood the test of time and they are beautiful.
3. It does amuse me how it was OK to cut trees for some homes, but not for the next guy. I believe that this is just the fear of change. I believe that once the project is complete, the naysayers will learn quickly that it's not so bad, that it is actually very nice.
4. As for traffic leaving Water's Edge as I sometimes do, I would continue down KPR and not deviate through Jillian's Way. Jillian's Way will only have some of the traffic from the few new homes. The boulevards do slow traffic and discourage cut-through traffic.
5. Leaving the KPR parcel "natural" and undeveloped is great for traffic flow out of Water's Edge and for the aesthetics of the route and for the abutting homes on Plum Ridge.
6. The Water's Edge Townhouses do have very small driveways. They are a problem. Some street parking on the opposite side of KPR will be eliminated by the new Julian's Way intersection. The Townhouse folks that now use that wooden lot for street parking will have to find other parking spots. There is plenty of parking in the HOA lot a short walk away. Inconvenient, yes but available.
7. I had wanted to say: *Developments will go on. That's a fact of life. It's best to work with a developer that will work with you.* Mrs. Spencer delivered that message far better than I could have.

Respectfully,

Len Squillaciotti

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