

Dear Ms. Connors:

My name is Tom Molloy. I live at 72 Kaydeross Park Road (KPR) within the Water's Edge Woodlands (WE/W) Development in Saratoga Springs. I've lived at this address for, approximately, 25 years. I'm writing regarding the Belmonte Builders proposed development plan that would extend Julian's Way and intersect with Kaydeross Park Road. That intersection is proposed to occur right in front of my home and that of my neighbors. Ms. Connors, this is a very concerning proposal and one that represents a serious safety issue on several fronts.

Having lived at the referenced address for many years, I've watched a serious increase in traffic as the WE/W Development has grown. The majority of that traffic utilizes (KPR). Even in the winter months the traffic can be significant but, as you can appreciate, during the warm weather months, there is a dramatic increase. Further, the speed at which traffic moves along KPR is often excessive.

The townhomes along KPR offer minimal parking. There is ample room for 1-2 vehicles but, friends, relatives and visitors of those who live on KPR are forced to park on the street. Street parking is often excessive and, even under current circumstances, is a safety concern. To appreciate this, one has to live with it and see it each day. I, and my neighbors, do so.

As is, KPR is a narrow thoroughfare. I've referenced the traffic issue, the speed of same and the complications associated with parking. Now the Belmonte organization proposes to add to these issues by creating an intersection that further compromises the quality of life and safety of the WE/W community, especially the residents along KPR. The Belmonte development will result in additional traffic including every form of traffic that a new development generates.

Ms. Connors, a large number of people reside at WE/W. It is a community that offers much to its residents as well as those who are frequent visitors of those who live there. People walk and bicycle along Kaydeross Park Road. I have grandchildren who frequently visit. Next door is a family with three young children. This is a very busy roadway, far too busy for this proposed intersection.

Peter Belmonte has every right to make a living building homes. However, he has no right to jeopardize the safety of others while creating a development that, supposedly, requires an ill-conceived intersection that puts the safety of residents and their property in jeopardy. I don't embrace the thought, Ms. Connors, of going to bed each night wondering, is this the night that an irresponsible, out of control driver is going to fly right through a stop sign and run his/her vehicle into my home or that of my neighbors. Further, in my estimation, this intersection would not be part of the Belmonte plan if Peter Belmonte, members of his organization or members of his family lived along KPR. Simply stated, he would not want to jeopardize his or their safety by putting this dangerous intersection in their front yard. However, that is what he is proposing to do to us.

Politely and respectfully, I ask all of the members of the Planning Board to put themselves in our position. If they lived on Kaydeross Park Road, they, without hesitation, would oppose this plan for all of the referenced reasons. With that, I ask that this application be denied. Finally, please know that, as important as this issue is for me, for personal reasons, beyond my control, I may not be able to attend the Planning Board meeting. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
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