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Subject: The "Cottages" Project

Dear Commissioners,

First, I want to thank you for the seriousness with which you have engaged the "Cottages at Barton Green" proposal. It is appreciated by all of us who live in that part of our city.

I want to add one specific note. The Barton/Pontiac intersection has been acknowledged by all as central in the entire proposal. And yet I believe it accurate to say that the various impacts, logistics, and specifics of the potential reworking of that intersection remain mostly unknown and not yet considered. I was frankly amazed to learn this at the Commission's meeting a few weeks ago. I don't question the expertise of those involved, but it was painfully obvious that most of the necessary planning simply had not happened. It was conjectural in the most wistful sense.

Also left out has been serious consultation with those who rely on that intersection. That omission, too, was frankly amazing to me.

While there are no shortage of reasons to question the viability, and even ethics, of the proposed project, here there are questions about basic procedure, as you will know.

Thanks and best,

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