

Letters with Questions and Concerns
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Public Hearing for 26 & 28 Under Mountain Road

Judith Gott <jgott.gott@gmail.com>

Fri 6/14/2024 9:14 AM

To: Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

To: Salisbury P and Z, Salisbury Affordable Housing Commission

I would like to express my concerns about the proposed affordable housing units at 26 and 28 Under Mountain Road, but first I must say I have been a fierce advocate for affordable housing in Lakeville and Salisbury for many years.

I strongly oppose however, the plans for housing on this lot with which I am very familiar.

- The lot is small, and narrow though long, and provides much needed green space in the neighborhood.
- It is currently used for parking in a town that has major parking problems.
- It will add to the congestion (and speeding problems) on Rt 41.
- Hook ups to water and sewer will inevitably damage two old oak trees on the property.

In the long view, developing the Dresser and Pope lands and the proposed Holly Apartments will be a great start!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Judith Gott
Salisbury, CT

Re: 26 &28 Grove St. School lot

Susan <susiemcq@aol.com>

Fri 6/14/2024 1:22 PM

To:Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Cc:Chany Wells <chany.wells@gmail.com>;Susan Mcquillan <susiemcq@aol.com>

Dear SHT,

I am very concerned about your plans to build on the Grove Street School lot. The old Oaks there will surely be negatively impacted if not killed outright. I have a degree in horticulture from SUNY with a special interest in trees. I have walked that lot and can say, without a doubt, that those trees will not survive any kind of road, utility or housing construction. The root systems will definitely be damaged and the surrounding soil will be compacted. The crowns of those trees tell you the ground area occupied and needed by those enormous trees in order to survive. Digging up the front portion of the property for access to the back portion, or the installation of utility lines, will surely kill those trees. And you cannot access the back portion of the lot without destroying the front portion. As it is, the ground around those trees is now being compacted by cars parking there and causing damage. This little piece of land should be preserved as the little park it's supposed to be.

I am opposed to any construction on this site.

Sincerely,

Susan McQuillan

Grove Street lot

Elizabeth Mastopietro <mastopietro@gmail.com>

Sun 6/16/2024 12:36 PM

To:Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Hello,

I am opposed to any building on the Grove street property. It is already in use as a lovely little park and green space in the middle of Salisbury.

Once it's built on it's gone for good. The plan that includes a park in the back is silly. How is anyone going to know that a park is behind 2 houses? It is not zoned for 2 houses, thus the need for a special permit.

Is it zoned for even one house? It is also used for parking for special events in town. Any construction will surely damage or kill the 2 very old oak trees. Yes, housing is important but this is the wrong place to squeeze in 2 houses.

On the plan, the road would go to the left of the middle oak tree.

As far as I know a road, even if it is gravel, would have to be dug out to make a base for the topping. How could that not damage the tree?

It would be nice if everyone on the committee could visit the site and walk around to see how small it is.

Thank you,

Elizabeth Mastopietro

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