

Concerns about the Proposed Five-Story Hotel in Our Neighborhood

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Dear Town of Newburgh Board members,

I am writing to express my concerns about the proposed construction of a five-story hotel in our neighborhood. While I understand the potential economic benefits that such a development could bring, I believe that there are several reasons why this project would be harmful to our community.

First and foremost, a five-story hotel would drastically alter the character of our neighborhood. Our area is known for its charming homes and quiet, family-friendly atmosphere, and the addition of a large commercial building would disrupt the residential feel of the area. Additionally, the increased traffic and noise that would come with a hotel of this size would have a negative impact on the quality of life for residents. Old little Britain Rd cannot handle the increased traffic. There is already another building in the process of being built next to the Jehovah's Witness building on old little Britain rd which will drastically increase the amount of traffic coming through our neighborhood.

Furthermore, the construction of a five-story hotel could have negative environmental consequences. The increased traffic and pollution from the hotel could harm the local ecosystem and contribute to air and noise pollution. Additionally, the hotel could potentially encroach on green spaces and wildlife habitats in our neighborhood. Most of the trees have already been cut down in our vicinity unfortunately.

Finally, there are concerns about the potential impact on property values. The presence of a large commercial building could decrease the value of nearby homes, making it more difficult for residents to sell their properties or find affordable housing in the area. A building of that size would be a detriment to our neighborhood, as it's right in our backyards.

Overall, I believe that the construction of a five-story hotel in our neighborhood would not be in the best interest of the community. This is a residential area. I urge you to consider these concerns and join me in opposing this project.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Sincerely, Jana

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