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Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 9:03 AM
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From: Janice Lawson [mailto:grandmajcl@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 7:56 AM
To: Bohl, James
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Dear Members of the Zoning Committee:

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the future of Dover Street School and its surrounding grounds. There has been a lot of talk and several meetings regarding this issue, 2 of which I have attended. As a long term resident and homeowner on Dover Street of over 30 Years, I wish to add my comments. We are a residential area of some single family homes and many duplexes. It is a strong family oriented heavily populated area. For a long time now the street parking in the area has been extremely frustrating. Between the 1 side only parking in winter, to the needs of the existing residences in the area and the parking needs of St Lucas Church and School, parking is very difficult to find on many days. I personally limit gatherings at my home during the winter because of the lack of parking. My sons, who grew up here, also complain about parking when they come to visit. I own a duplex and between myself, my husband and tenants, we have 4 cars. Now multiply that by the number of duplexes on the block and you can hopefully appreciate my concern about adding an apartment complex to the area. I have heard the Planners/Developer's state that they will be providing parking for approximately 90 spots. This is all well and good, but what about visitors? Many of those units will have more than 1 resident and in turn more than 1 car per unit. There is talk about encouraging and expecting these new residents to take public transport. These are expectations and cannot be guaranteed.

Now let's move on to the amount of traffic this will bring into the area. Our streets are narrow. Dover Street is a thoroughfare between KK and Howell so there is already a lot of traffic using the street. Adding an additional 90 vehicles to the traffic on the street is not something I look forward to dealing with.

I am concerned for the safety of the children and elderly in the neighborhood, crossing streets to get to the local schools or even in crossing KK to get to the Library. This has also been an ongoing concern from back to when Dover Street was an active School. Traffic on KK has increased considerably with the new businesses opening up in the area. These businesses are also adding to the parking problems on both Dover and Potter because of the limited parking on KK. (Try Parking near Honey Pies.)

I am very happy to see the changes taking place on KK. The neighborhood is indeed blossoming. KK is a "Business District", Where as Dover Street is a residential area and should remain that way. Our neighborhoods are part of what is bringing people to Bay View. The Small town atmosphere, good solid housing stock and family oriented neighborhoods.

I am not totally opposed to the idea of Teacher Housing and remodeling Dover St School. I am strongly opposed to the addition of a 3 story apartment complex being added to my neighborhood. Again I will state. This is a residential neighborhood of Duplexes and single family homes, bungalow and Victorian in style. As a Taxpaying Homeowner and longtime resident on Dover Street I ask that you do not approve the Zoning changes being

proposed. Please keep our neighborhood Residential!

Sincerely,

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