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860 Morningside Lane
Elm Grove, WI 53122

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VILLAGE OF ELM GROVE

Re: Reinders Property Mixed-Use Development

Attention: Mr. Neil H. Palmer, President Village Officers & Elm Grove Planning Commission

We have lived in our home for 36 years and love this community. We choose safe and friendly Elm Grove for the quiet, the privacy, the tree-filled yard, and convenience to shopping, church, and highways.

We attended the first project informational meeting on March 7th. There was so much animosity in the room from residents (mostly longtime residents like ourselves), that it appeared there would be no continuation of the project. During the March 29th project meeting the overwhelming majority of the resident speakers were again extremely upset and against the proposal. Many of our neighbors on Morningside Lane feel the same.

We believe this project will not serve the needs of Elm Grove residents nor benefit the community in any way. We are highly against multi-story apartment complexes, especially four & five stories. We are against widening of Elm Grove Road and removing trees on said street. We do not want a huge influx of population, automobiles, plus noise thrown into Elm Grove. We do not wish to live through the disturbances, commotion, and disruption during the building of immense apartments. More than 30 daily trains are already a hazard with cars backed up on Watertown Plank Road and Elm Grove Road. At these times it is difficult to reach our home and we know it could compromise emergency vehicles. We do not appreciate tax increases required for this project.

We feel it is extremely premature to be designing exteriors of buildings when there is no guarantee that the land will be rid of toxicity and able to withstand the forces of these apartments. Changes to the water table scare us as we have our lonely well. Lastly, the Village should be sending each resident informational letters. Not everyone reads a column in the New-Independent or NOW Newspapers.

This development must stop NOW! Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Bonita L. Welz