

# Letters to the Editor...

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## Business Association Endorses Reinders Development

The Elm Grove Business Association (EGBA) Executive Board hereby expresses strong support for the concept of the redevelopment of the Reinders Property on Watertown Plank Road. The development has the potential to bring a significant increase in downtown residents, and thus additional commerce and support to the existing Village businesses. The Business Association strongly believes that a vibrant and economically viable downtown business district is important to the health of our community, and believes that this project will encourage even more development of new businesses in the downtown area.

The existing tax base of the entire Village will be improved by the estimated increase of \$40,000,000.00 value of the property. The residents of

the Reinders development will be paying the taxes for this new property through their rent payments.

The improvement of the existing property will not only be positively affected by the construction of some beautiful buildings, which complement the architecture seen in areas throughout the Village. The addition of green spaces within the new development will replace parking lots, semi-trailer trucks and old commercial buildings.

The EGBA Board endorses the efforts to improve the function and appearance of the largest private property in the heart of the Village.

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EGBA President