

We built our home in EG in 1949 and since then have seen many changes in the village. I have expected this to happen over the years, and have not been opposed to these changes until now. The Vanguard project will completely alter the look and feel of the downtown area and I do not support it.

The traffic studies that were completed imply that additional housing in the village will not create congestion. Apparently Vanguard has not driven to the village around 5-6:00 pm during the week. I have driven to downtown Elm Grove on Watertown plank road, from 124th street going east. Many afternoons the cars are back up from the gas station to St. Mary's convent. While it could have been a train creating the issue,- 254 more people living downtown Elm Grove, is going to create more traffic and congestion, not only during the week, but week-ends as well. It would be illogical to think it would not.

I realize the business community, because of the financial benefit for them is supporting this development. But I am not a business owner, as most of us are not. I enjoy living in a quieter village without so much activity "downtown" - if I wanted that, I would move to Wauwatosa.

I recognize you are looking out for the financial stability of Elm Grove ( thank you ) But you are also responsible for maintaining the current quality of life in the village- a village, with a small town atmosphere- the reason why we all decided to live here, and why every one WANTS to live here. This development will change that atmosphere, because of the the size and scope of it.

Have you forgotten already, that we were voted best suburb in America ?  
Not Grafton  
Not Cedarburg  
Not even Wauwatosa -

But Elm Grove was the voted #1, with the way it is now.  
Less is More.

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