

From: Marc Samwick <mayor@scarsdale.com>
Subject: Re: Opposition to Board's Freightway Redevelopment Scheme
Date: December 18, 2019 at 1:51:06 PM EST
To: "Alex Wolf, Esq. (212)717-2510" <awolf@wolflawyer.com>

Thank you for your email.

Marc

On Dec 17, 2019, at 1:31 PM, Alex Wolf, Esq. (212)717-2510 <awolf@wolflawyer.com> wrote:

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Dear Mayor and Ms. Conkling,

I am writing you regarding my opposition to the plans put forth for Freightway's redevelopment. Below is my input on the Scarsdale.com website:

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Your Priorities and Preferences

I, along with numerous other resident of Scarsdale, reject the current bids for Freightway's redevelopment. The introduction of 200-300 new luxury apartments will result in a tax burden on current and future single family homeowners who will have to disparately absorb the tax burden of expanding our school system to accomodate a large number of new students. For the Board and Mayor to invite bids for apartment construction on Village property by parties who have been a constant presence and lobby for their own financial interests in Scarsdale pits our elected representatives against the best interests of residents. I am not accusing any of our representative of

self-dealing. However, if this Freightway Redevelopment scheme contemplated by the Board does proceed against major objection by Scarsdale residents there no doubt will be a thorough investigation and lawsuit brought by Village residents. The Board should not move forward in approving either of the remaining two bids. At present, the Board should commit the funds to renovating the current garage facility. According to the Board, the repairs to the garage would last for nearly a decade, during which time the residents may evaluate alternatives to the Board's current plan. A committee should be formed made up of residents and local merchants to explore ideas for creating a Downtown that serves our community and not the interests of real estate developers who seek to profit at the expense of our village.
