

From: Marc Samwick <mayor@scarsdale.com>
Subject: Re: Freightway
Date: December 16, 2019 at 6:59:32 PM EST
To: Caroline Cai <carolineccai@gmail.com>

Caroline,

Thank you for for your email.

The Village Board is taking the concerns you raised very seriously.

We appreciate your input and hope to hear from you as further information becomes available.

Best,

Marc

On Dec 14, 2019, at 1:18 PM, Caroline Cai <carolineccai@gmail.com> wrote:

CAUTION: External sender.

Dear Mayor Samwick

We are residents at 10 Carstensen Road. We are writing you to express extreme concerns over the proposed Freightway development plan.

- 1). We are glad to hear your commitment to no negative tax impact from the project. We would certainly hold the board and you to your words and expect detailed long term analysis (5-10 years not 1-2 years) that show the overall impact on our property taxes.
- 2). As currently envisioned, it seems to us that the project will have significant negative impact on our school system. The idea that 200-300 rental units will lead to only a modest increase in the school enrollment is pure fantasy. Without providing details on enrollment impact, plans for dealing with a flood of new students, the project simply cannot move ahead.
- 3). With the current depressed state of real estate pricing in the village, to undertake a massive development project without certainty on the tax implication for residents is irresponsible and tone deaf.
- 4). While there may be some cost in refurbishing the garage without development, it is a cost with high degree of certainty. Faced with the choice of potentially adding millions (100-200 new kids into the school system) to the school budget on an annual basis, the cost of refurbishing Freightway for a couple of millions seems very attractive.
- 5). The survey was done with minimal community input. Why isn't a project of such scale and importance put to the vote by residents who have to live with the consequence for decades if not generations?
- 6). An 'eye sore' is not a reason to undertake a project that fundamentally changes the character of the village.

Regards,
Chenyu Caroline Cai & Yong Chen
10 Carstensen Rd

Sent from my iPhone