From: james allocco Sent: Monday, July 18, 2016 10:46 PM To: Mayor Subject: Proposed Library Renovations

Dear Mayor Mark,

I am writing in reference to the Library Board's proposed renovation plan. I will be unable to attend tomorrow's Trustee meeting on the subject and would like to share the following comments with you and the Trustees.

My home is within walking distance to the library, and I would directly benefit from the improvements in the library plan. Having said this, I believe the Village has more pressing needs. For example, our streets and sidewalks are in terrible condition now and will continue to deteriorate at a much greater pace than our repair budget allows.

A second example is the deferral of the majority of the work recommended by the Comprehensive Stormwater Management analysis published in February 2009. Although we have been fortunate to have avoided major weather events since Super Storm Sandy; we cannot forget the terrible flood damage that will occur in so many homes in our Village when the weather trend inevitably changes for the worse.

I commend the Friends of the Library for producing a comprehensive improvement proposal with the best of intentions, but request that the Village Board address other, more critical Village infrastructure deficiencies as a priority.

Best Regards,

James Allocco Ross Road