

To the officials of Elm Grove:

July 4, 2020

We are deeply concerned with the proposed building plans for the Sisters of Notre Dame property.

Elm Grove is a community where home ownership is key to the pride and maintenance of a place people choose to live because they are invested in the places they live – home or condo or townhouse.

When you move to having apartments for RENT , the people who reside in them have no vested interest in either where they live or the community. Quite simply there is no reason for them to keep the property up.

Mandel Group has a poor reputation for honesty. As a case in point, look at New Berlin. The “high-end” apartments promised there proved unrentable. The market is so saturated with apartments that investment in new complexes is an almost assured failure. Mandel does not care – all they want is to make money with no interest in the future of the community. In New Berlin the apartment complex could not be filled with renters. Mandel changed it to subsidized housing which may be mandated here by the government – NOT what we want! They of course made out like bandits and left New Berlin to suffer the consequences.

**You have been elected to represent the best interests of Elm Grove** – not a pie in the sky project that is a very poor choice for the Village. If you actually care about our community, you need to approve only lots for homes, condos and or townhomes. The people that would buy them would be invested in where they live and we would not end up simply another profit maker for Mandel. The project as it stands is not supported by the current residents. No apartments should be approved. You need – no you are obligated and must do your duty to us, the people you were elected by. Move forward doing what you should and what your electorate wants.

Sincerely,



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