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Subject: Plan Commission

Dear valued leaders of the Elm Grove community,

Thank you for the hard volunteer work you do every day to represent the concerns of the Elm Grove community. It takes a really empathetic person to put themselves in someone else's shoes and represent the ideals of the whole community.

We purchased our home on Red Barn Ln. in 2007. We chose our neighborhood because it was quiet, serene, and tree lined. Walking down our neighbors' streets of Stephen Pl. and Longwood Ave., all of the homes have wonderfully large yards, space to breathe and relax after a hard day's work. We plan for this to be our forever home and have brought three beautiful children through our doors for the first time.

I was surprised to see that the actual, proposed, no longer conceptual, plans for Red Barn Lane, do not seem to fit the neighborhood but rather scream, "how many homes can a developer squeeze into the space provided to increase the bottom line." I would ask you to consider that if you lived in our home, which we purchased in 2007 and then essentially purchased again in 2017 after months of a near whole home renovation, what would you expect to be developed across the street? In fitting with most of the Village of Elm Grove, I would argue, a near mirror image of our side of the street. The most recent images have mostly cropped our side of the road out of the picture, but upon closer inspection you would find that the plans do not include a similar plan for the other side of the street.

The proposed homes on the West side of Red Barn Lane have a distance of just 20 ft. between them! This is much too close!! So I invite you. Please take a moment, enjoy the updates and upkeep that the residents of Red Barn Ln. have been working hard on, and take a walk around our block. Note that the homes are on RS-1 plots and please consider reducing the number of new homes on the West side of Red Barn Ln.

Thanks and have a wonderful weekend!
Kate Behring