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August 22, 2020

Dear Planning and Zoning Committee,

This letter is in response to the NOTICE letter regarding 270 Saugatuck Avenue. Dated 07/21/2020 Thank you for sending us the Notice and allowing us to react.

**My name is Carol Sharpe, I reside with my husband Michael at 6 Eno Lane. We are submitting our strong opposition to Landtech's request to modify the parking space plans to include 40 spaces.**

1. In keeping with the spirit of landmarking this Brick Commercial building in a Residential area, the green space around the building should be maintained at all costs. The original use for the building known as the Eno Foundation Building was to manage William Eno's legacy as the "father of traffic safety". The Eno foundation building was recently designated with historical protections. Quoting from an article written on March 19, 2017... "Using a section of the P&Z regulations for historic structures – offering relief from coverage, setbacks and non-conformities- Landtech preserved the ENO building on a full acre lot with nearly 1.5 acres of open space". Putting aside, the ½ acre zoning variance allowed for the 3 new homes, (Homes that are twice the size of most of the existing homes on the street that sit on 1 acre lots) the remaining green space must be protected both as a matter of integrity and safety.
2. In keeping with the historical status, and in light of its location in a residential area, the use for this building should be restricted to something that works within residential boundaries and the interior design of the existing building.
3. There are many families with small children living on Eno Lane. Creating a parking lot facing the street in the size that would accommodate 26 spaces is already undesirable. The request to expand to include 40 spaces should be immediately declined.
4. Adding parking for non-residents of any sizeable magnitude to the entrance of Eno Lane is a potential safety hazard for the residents, especially the children riding bikes, pushed in strollers and walking on this bucolic cul-de-sac.

In closing, Eno Lane is one of the most desirable family neighborhoods in Westport.

We have been in our home since 1991. What drew us to the neighborhood, was the abundance of children living on Eno Lane. The neighborhood continues to have the same draw with the next generation of young families. Creating 40 parking spaces at the entrance of Eno lane would create a serious detriment to the safety of these children and the desirability of the Eno neighborhood.

Please tell Mr. Romano and the landlord of 270 Saugatuck Avenue, "No" on the request for expanded parking. And respectfully, please reconsider the location of the approved 26 spaces for parking, which were approved without our input.

Thank you in advance for your consideration,  
Carol and Michael Sharpe