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**Subject:** Cardinal Stadium Plan - AND a Second Egress to GHS

### [EXTERNAL]

Dear Members of the P&Z, BOE and our Selectmen;

#### QUESTION:

What part of the Cardinal Stadium Plan will have the most impact on the safety and security for most of the citizens of Greenwich CT?

There is no doubt what the answer to that question is. Roads and traffic are inherently not as glamorous, fun and interesting as a new stadium and bleachers, but THE most important part of the Cardinal Stadium plan is actually the second egress. The second egress to this site is without question necessary and certainly has been needed for some time now. It is a health, safety and security issue. The cost benefit to fixing this long term problem will be enormous. I urge you to support funding BOTH phases of this project immediately. To do any less would be foolish and have negative consequences.

Let's Support BOTH phases of the Cardinal Stadium plan. We can do the right thing for the neighbors, the students and indeed ALL the citizens fo Greenwich.

Thank you.

Ashley and George Cole  
11 Hillside Road

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April 7, 2020

**Dear Greenwich Planning and Zoning Department and Commission, Greenwich BET, Greenwich BoE, and Fred Camillo, First Selectman,**

Thank you for your service to Greenwich especially in these extraordinary times. We were invited to comment on the upcoming pre-application meeting for Phase 1. We realize that Phase 2 and a complete access road was not funded by the BOE at this time and that budgets for all priorities will be tighter than ever.

We support the necessary expenditures to update GHS Cardinal Stadium – **IF** smart and responsible development is done. We believe that the Town should not do Phase 1 without a commitment to a 2<sup>nd</sup> form of egress being built in the near future that would help conform the project to POCD and P and Z guiding principles. Doing phase 1 without doing the full access road as a second phase gives us concern that, in this environment, the road will never be built. We support investing in GHS and Cardinal Stadium and giving our students an up-to-date, ADA compliant, top notch high school and athletic facility. Greenwich should have a top high school that draws new families to our wonderful town. **Let's do this project smartly by committing to finishing the full access road as a separately timed but required action in approving Phase I.** Installing a second form of egress would, in a single step, ameliorate the 50-year history of traffic, parking, and safety problems of this high school and neighborhood:

**1.Set the Proper Foundation and Infrastructure for a Large Campus Development**

While the BoE did not green light Phase 2, we would urge all decision makers to do the project correctly and cost effectively by committing to a full access road. Setting the right infrastructure such as a proper flow and more parking is vitally important before you add the bells and whistles of changing rooms, fancy lights, and announcement booths.

**2.Adequate Parking, Traffic Flow, and Safety for a New Expanded Cardinal Stadium**

If the Town wants to put more facilities and capacity at Cardinal Stadium, and the FAR and Parking is already challenged, please put in the full road / egress to facilitate a safe flow and more parking and relieve the impact on our neighborhood.

**3.Safety is your First and Paramount Fiduciary Responsibility**

It is public knowledge about the safety concerns at GHS. Not having a second form of egress for one of the state's largest High Schools is unacceptable. **The PTA, The Police, parents and other town officials have asked for a 2<sup>nd</sup> form of egress.** Short sightedness in planning and execution should not be repeated. Inviting large crowds to a fancy new facility would be a tragedy with only one form of egress if an emergency struck and it would be costly if lawsuits ensued.

**4.POCD/P and Z Principles**

Please, as you review Phase 1 – consider the 2 current studies and the many previous traffic studies that have shown that the GHS Campus area is one of the top 5 most congested and

troubled areas (even without the increased traffic on Fairfield and Hillside with GCDS's new athletic complex).

**5. Cost Savings – Simultaneous Remediation and Construction of Stadium & Road**

Consider the cost and planning benefits if construction and remediation could be done at the same time before prices increase, especially post pandemic.

Now more than ever any infrastructure projects need to be methodically planned and executed to maximize resource utilization. **Ensuring that an access road will be built simultaneously as a second phase requirement for Phase 1 approval gives Greenwich the best usage and the least long-term expenditure of time and money.** Moreover, it will help safety and compliance to P and Z considerations of traffic and parking, and respects the constituency of the entire school and surrounding neighborhoods.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth and Burke Dempsey  
21 Hillside Road  
Greenwich CT 06830

**Fw: P&Z Meeting today GHS Cardinal Stadium Project**

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Tue 4/7/2020 5:19 PM

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**From:** Patti Fast <fast.patti56@gmail.com>**Sent:** Tuesday, April 7, 2020 4:38 PM**To:** DeLuca, Katie <Katie.DeLuca@greenwichct.org>; BET <bet@greenwichct.org>; BoardofEdMembers@greenwich.k12.ct.us <BoardofEdMembers@greenwich.k12.ct.us>**Subject:** P&Z Meeting today GHS Cardinal Stadium Project

[EXTERNAL]

Dear All,

We reside at 29 Hillside Road across from Greenwich High School and therefore any decision with regard to Greenwich High School greatly matters to us and impacts our day to day lives significantly.

I understand there is a meeting tonight to preliminarily review the plans consisting of two phases the first of which is to renovate the stadium, bleachers, build adjacent spaces for toilets and team rooms as well as improvements to the site to provide better access. The important second phase is to provide an access from the Post Road as well as to provide facilities for visiting teams and additional parking and supposedly a practice field.

It is imperative that these two phases are both approved together and completed in a timely manner. Frankly it should be viewed as one project even if completed in phases as approving phase one without phase two will create more problems in the long run and most likely be more costly.

I know many of my neighbors have written to you all and I would just like to say that I am in support of their letters and the need to take into consideration the previous traffic studies on the Hillside neighborhood. Providing another access point to the high school is urgently needed and very important to the safety and security of the neighborhood. Elizabeth and Burke Dempsey outline important points to be considered in making the decision to go forward with this project.

Please be mindful and considerate of the Hillside high school neighbors in making this decision. We witness close calls every day, we are often blocked getting in or out of our driveways, we are besieged with letters from students of working parents pleading for a parking space and with the re-stripping of our driveways we must exert extra caution pulling out every day. We need some relief, please. I have lived on Hillside for almost fourteen years and the traffic and congestion has only worsened and continues to be unsafe for everyone.

Thank you.

Patti and Eric Fast

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## Fw: GHS stadium - meeting tonight

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**Subject:** GHS stadium - meeting tonight

### [EXTERNAL]

Dear Greenwich Planning and Zoning Department & Commission, Greenwich BET, Greenwich BoE, and First Selectman Camillo,

We are writing in support of the Phase 2 update to GHS Cardinal Stadium **with the inclusion of** a 2nd form of egress conforming the project to POCD and P & Z guiding principles.

The full access road is a critical and much needed solution to problems in the Hillside Road area that far exceed the inadequacy of the current GHS stadium. Safety is our #1 concern. In addition, I imagine there could be significant cost savings for the Town in carrying out the road project simultaneously with the overall stadium project, rather than in piecemeal fashion.

As to timing, while we realize Greenwich Public Schools have not yet determined if school will resume this calendar year (and obviously in-school learning takes priority over construction timing), it would seem optimal, should GHS end up being closed until August, to fast track the entirety of the project through approvals to allow as much construction as possible to advance while students are out. Last year, we were baffled as to why the sidewalk project, begun at the end of June, stopped for a 4-5 week hiatus in July, only to resume again as school was returning. This caused great disruption to traffic flow and danger to pedestrians, most of whom are students.

With gratitude for your service to our Town and for taking our concerns and ideas into account.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill and Glenn Marchak  
52 Hillside Road  
Greenwich CT 06830  
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## Fw: Phase 2 Access Road

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**Subject:** Phase 2 Access Road

**[EXTERNAL]**

To Whom It May Concern,

As long-time neighbors on Hillside Road, we strongly advocate for the the access road as part of Phase 2 of the Cardinal improvements.

The access road will:

1. Alleviate neighborhood traffic.
2. School officials and the Police believe strongly in the safety of the access road.

We hope the importance of this access road is not overlooked.

Kindly,

Chris and Heidi Matonis

47 Hillside Road

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**Fw: Hillside Road Concerns**

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Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2020 3:06 PM

To: DeLuca, Katie

Subject: Hillside Road Concerns

[EXTERNAL]

Hi Katie,

Thank you for your work at P and Z. I hear raves about your professionalism and your efforts to keep Greenwich safe and beautiful.

My husband and I have lived in our Hillside Road house since the 70s so we are well acquainted with the advantages and disadvantages of our location.

At tonight's meeting, on the topic of Cardinal Stadium Project, I urge the second egress option for many reasons. I understand that school officials and police also favor the second egress.

Arrival and departure for nearly 3000 students has been dangerous and chaotic. This is a solution that makes sense.

Thank you.

Anita and Jeff O'Sullivan

56 Hillside Road

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## Fw: Cardinal Stadium Meeting Tonight

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**Subject:** Cardinal Stadium Meeting Tonight

**[EXTERNAL]**

Hello,

We have lived on the corner of Hillside and Fairfield Roads for 25 years. From the first year, we have called and/or written to the Chief of Police asking for assistance on the speeders, parking, violators, and congestion on Hillside Road. The problem starts on our end and turns into total chaos in front of the high school. Over the years, we have witnessed a few students getting hit by a car during drop off, and have witnessed many accidents on our corner. Unfortunately, nothing was ever done.

Coming from a family that was always involved in field sports we understand the need for Phase 1. We are requesting that Phase 2 - upgrades and **alternative access road** from Putnam Avenue to GHS be completed at the same time and current problems be permanently solved. If this doesn't happen simultaneously, the vast problems Hillside is experiencing will just become massive and we also run the risk of funds being moved someplace else. The problems on Hillside Road must be put on the forefront for everyone's safety now.

Stay safe and Best regards,

Anne and Bernard Romanello

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