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Dear Subcommittee Members: In regard to todays meeting (7/26/23) we would appreciate your consideration of the following:

Use of Baron's South for Affordable Housing Development:

We would first commend the members for considering using this town-owned property for such a worthwhile use. Understanding and anticipating the physical, historical and topographical limitations of such a development we would like to suggest a possible, more effective and fiscally responsible alternative. Under the assumption that the town also owns the current town hall property, we would suggest a plan whereby the town transfers that property to the Westport Housing Authority for \$1.00 and approves a condo cluster affordable housing development of the maximum number of units possible to apply to the state mandate. In return the Housing Authority funds the renovation of the existing mansion at Barron's South into the new town hall along with some town amenities, such as pickle ball courts and perhaps school bus parking to alleviate bus parking issues at the schools.

The current town hall property location is much more appropriate for residential living as well as the generated traffic than a post road location along two very busy arterials. This proposal could turn out to be a win-win for all parties concerned and go a long way to meeting the long delayed affordable housing compliance with the state. Thank you for your consideration in this regard.

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