

I am writing to express my total opposition to the development on 252-262 Main and the attempt to tear down 10 Pinevale and replace it with a two-way driveway onto Pinevale. It is dangerous and outrageous! This whole project has a stench to it!!

I have lived at 54 Pinevale since June, 1973. This is a neighborhood of honest, hard-working people. The major population of residents are public servants. From my count, there are three firemen, one policeman, four teachers, two social workers, and two state workers. There are twenty school-age children. Their safety is a major concern!

In 1989, Jiffy Lube tried to set up shop at the corner of Main and Knollwood. The neighborhood came together in protest, and the project was abandoned.

In 1994, Carter and Coleman were allowed to build on the corner of Main and Knollwood, but not after many meetings with the neighborhood, the Town, and the Conservation Committee to make sure they complied with all the regulations.

Pinevale Ave is home to the Pinevale Conservation Trail. The neighborhood is surrounded by wetlands. It is home to a variety of wildlife. There are deer, rabbits, coyotes, raccoons, foxes, chipmunks, frogs, groundhogs, turtles, squirrels, and ducks. They have at one time or another traveled through my property. In 1987, when my pool was put in, we had to get permission from the Conservation Committee. In 2021, I had trees that were threatening my property cut down; but first, I had to get the permission of Chuck from the Conservation Committee and Pay \$500 to the Reading Tree Fund. How's the issue of the wetlands being addressed with this project?

Right now entering and exiting Pinevale is always a safety issue. The dental office poses a problem both coming into and leaving Pinevale. There is always overflow parking on Pinevale from the dental patients. This project will only exacerbate this problem.

I don't understand how the Town would allow a commercial developer to invade the privacy, the safety, and the tranquility of the residents of Pinevale Ave. How can you in good conscience can you do this to us?!

I implore you to scrap this project, go back to the drawing board, and come up with a project that won't harm the citizens of Pinevale Ave.

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