

To: Chappaqua Town Board

Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the meeting Tues. night regarding the proposed Chappaqua Crossing. I have attended all but 1 of the meetings & would like have my voice heard on the proposal.

Throughout this long drawn out process I have heard so many ridiculous comments it makes my head spin. I have lived in this community for over 20 years & have seen the petitions against the first Chinese Restaurant. The smell would waft through our town & cause our delicate senses to be disrupted. Oh poor us. Now more of the same - the condo's appearance to Starit City in the Bronx, the demand that the owners frequent the stores in town, etc.

Really, how preposterous. I live in the Old Farm Lake Condo's which happen to be one of the nicest in our hamlet. Many Chappaqua residents come to look at our beautifully stocked ponds & fish there, as well as walk through our property. I very rarely shop in town unless it's Rite Aid or a special occasion. I don't particularly like to pay inflated prices just because I am a resident of Chappaqua. We will however eat in the restaurants that do have reasonable prices. Last time I checked I lived in a democratic country & where I shopped was my business. Perhaps we could add one more bank, nail salon, or real estate office & then we wouldn't have to worry about shopping in town.

I am wondering what the cost to taxpayers is on the studies regarding the Readers Digest property? Do we turn it into another playing field for our community, etc? I can't believe the audacity of that speculation. How about a study to turn the Cowdin Lane properties into playing fields? All this speculation is presumptuous & premature. This is not our property to speculate with. How about building a town pool on the property we already own?

I have seen the 4 sale signs on property well over \$1 million, a few several years now. This economy is taking a toll on everyone. It seems to me that instead of building more homes the size of hospitals that will adversely affect our children's future & carbon footprints we should favorably consider the Chappaqua Crossing Proposal.

Respectfully,  
Claire Savino  
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