

From: [ocean](#)
To: [Paula Smith](#)
Subject: file number 18 – 3543
Date: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 9:01:32 AM

Hello Paula, I see that you're the lead planner on the capital high school performing arts center land-use application project, file number 18 – 3543. My name is Ocean, and I live at 2613 Conger Ave., immediately adjacent to the Eastern property line of capital high school. I have lived here for 20 years, and I am a disabled man. I use a wheelchair, and I have some grave concerns about the proposed action at the north-east corner of their site plan. As you can see, they are required to provide some additional parking, and their designer/architect has decided to locate that at the north-east side of their property. My understanding is that this will require them to building a retaining wall in the hill as well as an additional access drive at the extreme north-east corner of their property, connecting that parking lot with Conger Avenue. I am concerned with how this will impact my home, as well as my safety, as they want to have a driveway right next to my house. I have lived with this high school for 20 years, and I know how inexperienced high school drivers are. They'll often drive in an unsafe manner, accelerating fast and not paying safe attention to the road. The insurance policies for new teenage drivers are so high precisely because of their dangerous safety records. I am wondering how much of a voice I actually have in persuading you, as the lead planner, to have the applicant adjust this plan so that it does not impact me so severely. They certainly have more undeveloped property at the Southern extent of that parking lot, which could be expanded if further parking is required. I see that you invite written comments by September 10 –does this email count as a formal written comment, or do you require a physical letter? And how much does a formal written letter of concern actually impact approval of this project? I'm wondering if you and I can have a meeting to discuss these concerns in person. If you work down at City Hall, I would be happy to make an appointment with you. Thank you for taking my voice into consideration, Paula.

-Ocean

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From: [Donna R](#)
To: [Paula Smith](#)
Subject: Capital High School Proposal
Date: Wednesday, September 05, 2018 2:55:50 PM

Attn. Paula Smith:

This letter is in response to the latest proposal to spend more money at Capital High School for the third time and once again without improving the quality of education or the study facilities. I would like to know not only where the money is to come from (which was omitted in the proposal) but who were the people to bring this proposal? Was this discussed by the board in conjunction with faculty and students? If bond money is to be used that would be unlawful as it was designated for academia improvement.

I have interviewed students of the school who find this proposal astounding when they are so many classroom needs.

Here is a list of what is REALLY needed to improve student skills.

1. More art supplies.
2. Updated science labs.
3. Updated computer labs
4. Audio labs for foreign languages.
5. Smaller class sizes, so more classrooms.
6. More teachers.
7. More and better books.
8. Band room needs air conditioning.

I believe the school has lost sight of the REAL purpose of education!

Ask the students and teachers what they feel the needs are and it should never neglect the core reason which is EDUCATION.

Perhaps the entire problem could be solved if we first define the core reason for education.

Once again disappointed for the students.

Yours truly,
Donna Roylance

P.S. your email address was incorrect in the literature sent out—(under lead planner)