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Subject: Humane Society - SP#480 - 863-875 Danbury Road - Permit for construction of 14,000+ Sq Ft Building

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Dear Mr. Wrinn,

I have read all the emails from my neighbors and echo their concerns regarding traffic, noise and the construction of the 14,000 Sq Ft building with the option to add another 5,000sq ft not fitting into the character of the neighborhood. In the 2-hour plus meeting on Sept 13th one of the commissioners mentioned that the design was "very contemporary" - how does that align with not only the historic district but the overall character of Wilton? Why does the facility have to be so large?

Why there is a need for 70 parking spaces with only 16 employees? Are there going to be additional volunteers daily coming into the facility? Are they not being counted because they are not employees? Are there going to be "events" taking place at night? Disrupting neighbors?

I believe they are requesting a change to the Town signage regulations. They are proposing a much bigger sign than what is currently allowed in town. Does that open up every other business in town to request larger signs - I know businesses have been complaining for years that their signs are too small - but if we allow one to have a larger sign is Wilton going to look like the Post Road with large signs

The Hour article [Humane Society proposal in Wilton gains support from commission, pushback from neighbors \(thehour.com\)](https://www.thehour.com/news/article/Humane-Society-proposal-in-Wilton-gains-support-from-commission-pushback-from-neighbors/1111111), where our First Selectman Lynn Vanderslice is quoted as not knowing much about the details of a 20,000sf building being proposed in the town; which I find disconcerting as this proposal has been out there since February or March - why does she not know?

Also, her dismissal of the concerns of the neighbors who question the risk when making a left to go south on route 7 and suggesting that they just exit left onto route 107 - which is also a very difficult left with cars speeding off route 7 onto 107. This suggestion shows that the town does not take the concerns of the neighbors seriously. I have a child that is 3-years-old and I fear for his safety. I have concerns about how this will affect all of the families and especially all of the young children that live in this area. The traffic would be devastating and extremely dangerous for all of the young children. Building an enormous commercial facility that will push traffic into a neighborhood with young children is a serious danger and would jeopardize their safety.

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