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**Subject:** Hearing on Garage Development / 301 East Street

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Dear Mr. Phillips,

We have just received notice via US Mail (received April 24, 2021) regarding a Public Hearing for a Special Permit Application concerning the construction of a garage on a property located at 301 East Street.

We are the owners of 17 Rustic Oak Drive. Our property abuts 301 East Street, located within 100 to 200 feet to the west.

We are writing regarding the ambiguity of the Special Permit Application we received, namely:

1. There is no statement as to what type of “garage structure” will be built and for what purpose; (i.e.) Is this going to be a commercial garage? Will there be “commercial activity” taking place at this garage or on the residential property?
2. The notice and application merely states that the “garage” will be in excess of 3 spaces. Does that mean 4 spaces? Could it mean a 20 space garage?
3. There is a lack of specificity as to the square footage of the proposed “garage”, how many stories the garage may contain, or where on the property it will be located.
4. Will the structure be visible from the street? Or from our property at 17 Rustic Oak Drive?
5. Moreover, will commercial vehicles be stored in or around the garage such that it creates the appearance of a commercial venture or an eyesore that might affect property values in the area?
6. Considering there are city wetlands adjacent to the properties, has there been an environmental impact done?

We emphatically oppose any proposed commercial activity on the property that would require approval of a “Special Permit” or “Special Use Permit” or any other “Permit” for non-residential use.

The fact that the Town of Southington will only provide essential documents “24 hours in advance of the meeting” is clearly insufficient to allow for adequate review so that we can determine whether additional preparation and legal representation are needed for the meeting.

We look forward to your response.

**WE ARE REQUESTING THAT THIS EMAIL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE COMMISSION PRIOR TO THE HEARING SO THEY ARE AWARE OF OUR CONCERNS.**

Sincerely,

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