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From: Schulze, Frank (SEN) <Frank.Schulze@masenate.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 3:59 PM
To: Jeffrey Ribeiro
Cc: Barbara Huggins Carboni; Elizabeth Sturdy; Rae Ann Palmer; Cyr, Julian (SEN); Johnson, Patrick (SEN)
Subject: Re: Cloverleaf 40B Requested Documents
Attachments: [External]_ Fwd_ Please sign this letter to the ZBA about the Cloverleaf development project.eml

Including email as attachment for record purposes.

Thank you,

Frank

From: Schulze, Frank (SEN)
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 3:18 PM
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Cc: Barbara Huggins Carboni <BHugginsCarboni@k-plaw.com>; Elizabeth Sturdy <ESturdy@truro-ma.gov>; rpalmer@truro-ma.gov <rpalmer@truro-ma.gov>; Cyr, Julian (SEN) <Julian.Cyr@masenate.gov>; Johnson, Patrick (SEN) <Patrick.Johnson@masenate.gov>
Subject: Cloverleaf 40B Requested Documents

Hello Jeffrey,

Per Sen. Cyr's request, I have included the following two pieces of correspondence in response to your request for Sen. Cyr's comments on the Cloverleaf development.

First, his recent email to Michael Holt:


"I am disappointed by this letter and related efforts to thwart this project. The Cloverleaf is a long overdue project that's received significant state support, resources that Rep. Peake and I have worked hard to make happen. Once built, the Cloverleaf will make a meaningful difference in providing year-round affordable rental housing to Outer Cape residents who are desperate for some relief in the face of an out-of-wack real estate market. I worry that some of the concerns raised about the project are increasingly specious -- first it was outlandish claims of blue baby syndrome, now that the project isn't green enough. (Regrettably state programs don't provide much support to small scale projects like Cloverleaf; I'm working to change that, particularly as it relates to solar). I fear that underlying these claims is a persistent NIMBY-ism, one that is rooted in structural racism that has for too long manifested in restrictive housing policy here on Cape Cod and across the country. I know you care deeply about racial justice and progressive work, so I wanted to highlight my concerns to you personally.

From a progressive perspective, housing is among our most urgent and essential needs on the Outer Cape. Thanks to the foresight of prior generations, 70% of Truro is preserved for posterity -- or at least until we're overwhelmed by the sea. The existential threat now is whether we will have much of any year-round

community. Our demographic demise and the struggle of working people to make a life in Truro is directly related to a lack of housing units that are even remotely attainable for middle and low income individuals and families. While the Cloverleaf project has been plodding through the review process, Truro residents have been content to turn a blind eye to where many working families make a home, in motels and cottages and other inadequate places that we conveniently don't see, just as we don't acknowledge that our essential workforce that comprised of Jamaican immigrants and other people of color. If we're going to meet the moment of the Black Lives Matter movement, we need to start with the hard work right at home, and for Truro and the Outer Cape, dismantling structural racism starts by building affordable housing.

I want to be sure you know that this project has my full support. Once Cloverleaf is on its way, I look forward to realizing more affordable and workforce housing at the Walsh property. We have an opportunity to do something big in Truro, to build the housing our community needs to thrive and address one of the more persistent manifestations of racism in our small town."

And second, a recent Op-Ed featured in the Provincetown Independent Today, July 23rd:
<https://provincetownindependent.org/inner-voices/2020/07/23/racial-inequity-in-our-back-yard/?fbclid=IwAR1XEAOEOyDV6sOXOmuVqF71IMlBEkdXomsj9nA3dE1nT8cSKEUrhWxj7L0>



Racial Inequity in Our Back Yard - The Provincetown Independent

TRURO — In early June, many Outer Cape Coddors joined in our shared reckoning over the crisis of white supremacy and racial inequity in this country. After the protests, many [...]

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Thank you,

Frank

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From: Julian Cyr <julian.cyr@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2020 4:50 PM
To: frank.schulze@masenate.gov
Subject: [External]: Fwd: Please sign this letter to the ZBA about the Cloverleaf development project

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From: Julian Cyr <julian.cyr@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Jul 1, 2020 at 12:15 AM
Subject: Re: Please sign this letter to the ZBA about the Cloverleaf development project
To: Michael Holt

Hi Michael -- I am disappointed by this letter and related efforts to thwart this project. The Cloverleaf is a long overdue project that's received significant state support, resources that Rep. Peake and I have worked hard to make happen. Once built, the Cloverleaf will make a meaningful difference in providing year-round affordable rental housing to Outer Cape residents who are desperate for some relief in the face of an out-of-wack real estate market. I worry that some of the concerns raised about the project are increasingly specious -- first it was outlandish claims of blue baby syndrome, now that the project isn't green enough. (Regrettably state programs don't provide much support to small scale projects like Cloverleaf; I'm working to change that, particularly as it relates to solar). I fear that underlying these claims is a persistent NIMBY-ism, one that is rooted in structural racism that has for too long manifested in restrictive housing policy here on Cape Cod and across the country. I know you care deeply about racial justice and progressive work, so I wanted to highlight my concerns to you personally.

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Please send my best to your parents -- I marvel at their resilience.

Respectfully,
Julian

On Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 4:45 PM Michael Holt

wrote:

Dear neighbors,

Apologies if you've gotten this more than once.

Attached is a letter to the Select Board and the ZBA, drafted by my mom Joan and improved by several others. So far 10 people have signed on. It will carry more weight if more of you tell us we can add your name. So please let me know asap. We'll send it in about a half hour, but you can sign on after that, too—we'll send in an addendum later with more names.

Thanks, Michael