October 16, 2012

## FASNY Public Hearing – Wednesday, October 17 at 7PM

Dear Neighbors-

Well, this is it! It is time to make your voices heard! The **final** scheduled public hearing session concerning the **French** American School's development plan's environmental impact is this Wednesday evening, October 17 at City Hall. The hearing session starts at 7PM.

Many of your neighbors plan to attend and comment at the hearing. Please come to join them and make a public comment. Or, simply come to listen and show your support for your neighbors.

# **For those who have not attended a public hearing** or a common council meeting:

- The hearing will take place on the second floor of City Hall, 255 Main Street.
- Parking is available in the municipal lot behind City Hall.
  There are entrances to the lot on Hamilton Avenue,
  Church Street and EJ Conroy Drive.
- The hearing will begin at 7PM but please plan to come earlier; there are not many seats in the council chambers (about 80+/-). There will be additional seats available in the first and second floor hallways with a view of video monitors.

## If you plan to speak, please consider the following:

- Arrive early to sign the speaker sheet; the hearing starts at 7PM; the sheet was available to sign at about 6:15PM.
- If you wish to add visuals to your presentation (this is not necessary or expected), we suggest you enlarge the chart or graphic and it will be shown to the council and the viewers in city hall and at home; you will not be allowed to use a laptop and project anything onto a screen.
- Make copies of any visuals to be handed to the council members so they can follow along without difficulty.
- Five minutes (your allotted time) will go by quickly; be sure to keep you comments relatively brief.
- Your remarks will be most effective if they cover a topic (or topics) contained in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS); don't be intimidated by the official sounding name. Topics such as traffic, water management (flooding), air and noise pollution and financial impacts are all part of the DEIS and can be the subject of your comments.
- You can read from prepared text or speak from notes.
  Either method can be very effective.

Please plan to come and consider bringing a friend or neighbor.

Thanks in advance for your efforts and support.

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