

Email exchange relative to the rejection of Sano's/Googas' request to explain the South Allen Street project (Eleftheria) at the 10/4/12 Neighborhood Association meeting.

Emphasis added to highlight lies & distortions.

1. There are no "closer playgrounds" (see [Park Alienation FOIL #1](#)).
2. Eleftheria is not senior housing.

From: Julie Elson <jelson510@earthlink.net>
To: wtrudeau <wtrudeau@albany-ny.org>; Jim Sano <Jsano15@aol.com>
Sent: Thu, Sep 6, 2012 1:42 pm
Subject: New Scotland Woodlawn NA traffic discussion October 4

Mr. Trudeau, I would like to invite you to discuss traffic control for the New Scotland corridor and adjacent streets. Our meeting is October 4, 7pm at the First Congregational Church on the corner of Quail and Woodlawn. I can forward to a compilation of some of the concerns and suggestions of the residents of the New Scotland Woodlawn neighborhood.
Julie Elson

Subject: Re: New Scotland Woodlawn NA traffic discussion October 4
Date: Fri, 7 Sep 2012 09:23:53 -0400 (EDT)
From: Jim Sano <jsano15@aol.com>
To: jelson510@earthlink.net

Julie,

I would also like to invite Mr. James Googas to explain a project that he is interested in doing on South Allen Street on the vacant land by the little pocket park. It involves many things including closing that small park and using the money from the sale of that land at **closer playgrounds** for improvements. It also involves permanently closing Dale Place from ever being a street. He very much wants to explain what he wants to do with his **senior apartments** he is planning on this 17 lot parcel that mostly is the ravine on the backside of Onderdonk. Call me if you want to chat about this or meet with Mr. Googas ahead of time. I do not believe the project abuts your property.

Jim Sano

Subject: Re: New Scotland Woodlawn NA traffic discussion October 4
Date: Fri, 07 Sep 2012 22:10:21 -0400
From: Julie Elson <jelson510@earthlink.net>
To: Jim Sano <jsano15@aol.com>
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Jim, I think that it would make more sense to arrange a separate meeting with the neighbors, such as Laura, who actually live near the proposed project than asking Mr. Googas to present at the October 4 neighborhood association meeting - since we don't draw many attendees from that area and it is not as commonly a traveled street - ooh compared to New Scotland!!! also, what do you mean by improvements to closer playgrounds, closer to whom?

South Allen is certainly in a state of flux: the vacant buildings at the corner of New Scotland and the looming development by Goodman, Onderdonk!!, the poor structural state of the old garden apartments, the shoddy construction and sorry condition of the newest construction on South Allen - at the corner of Dale Place, the rebirth of the church on the corner of Cortland which needs more parking space and now this - out of the blue.