lbmdpc@yahoo.com Land Use Testimony From: To:

Cc:

Salamanca
[EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place development testimony- OPPOSED TO ZONING REQUEST Monday, June 20, 2022 10:42:27 AM Subject:

Date:

From: Morah Necham

To: Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposed

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 12:18:35 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level.

Community Board 8, Queens Civic Association, Borough President Donovan Richards, and State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky have all rejected or voiced their opposition to the rezoning as proposed by the developer.

We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely, Nechama Felt

approximately 3 blocks from the project

Sent from my iPhone

From: Moshe Schwerd

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Topic: Vleigh Place Development - Testimony

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 8:40:09 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I live around the corner from the project and I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level.

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Sincerely, Moshe Schwerd, Esq. From: N. P. Elbogen

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony: Opposed to the Zoning change Request

Date: Sunday, June 19, 2022 5:53:03 PM

Honored representatives and committee members,

I am a lifelong, KGH resident. 59 years old, with 5 married children, homeowners here as well. We all live within 4-5 short blocks away from this proposed project.

I implore you not to approve any project here for more than an R6B (an R6A is terrible for many reasons and will hurt KGH).

We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures - the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for Traffic, Child safety, overcrowding, parking and other items.

This also will dubstantially devalue our stable, increasing real estate values.

The site, before it had a fire was only 1 story of retail shops. If the committee allows the developer to build to an R6B would be a "huge gift" by the committee, BP, & Councilman and the developers should be "thankful" if they receive that upgrade (the property is now an R3 with extremely restrictive use) - any development larger than this would be terrible and kill the neighborhood we love

The developers already built 4 floors <u>below grade</u> <u>before</u> seeking opinion and approvals from the Community Board, Boro Presidents' office, the Land Use & Zoning Committees, or from the Councilman Mr James Generro. <u>This is unheard of - and unacceptable</u> - clearly, the Developers DONT CARE what anyone thinks. WE the People of Kew Gardens Hills CARE what you think and look to you for your help in restricting this project to an R6B if at all.

Please SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developers

Thank you kindly,

Norman P Elbogen KGH, NY 11367
 From:
 Orit Newman

 To:
 Land Use Testimony

 Subject:
 [EXTERNAL] Opposed

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 11:12:40 AM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Sincerely, Orit Newman

approximately 2 blocks from the project

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Leah Kops

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Opposing the Rezoning Request

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 9:52:22 PM

Subject: Vleigh Place Development Tesimony Opposing the Rezoning Request

As a long time resident of the Kew Gardens Hills community, I am greatly distressed at the prospect of the rezoning request that would enable the building of a high story complex on Vleigh Place. I believe that such a structure would drastically alter our neighborhood in negative ways.

The current zoning laws ensure that our neighborhood is a cozy and quiet one where neighbors know one another. Allowing high rise apartments will create a population density that was never intended for our neighborhood. Our stores will be crowded, our streets which are already difficult to navigate during the day will become a nightmare.

Please do not approve anything more than an R6B.

We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures. The developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for traffic, child safety and overcrowding.

The developers already built 4 floors below grade before seeking opinion and approvals from the Community Board, Borough President's office, the Land Use & Zoning Committees, or from Councilman James Generro. This is unheard of and unacceptable. The zoning laws were created for a purpose. They should be maintained and respected.

We look to you for your help in restricting this project to an R6B if at all.

Please save our neighborhood by opposing the Rezoning request by the developers.

Respectfully, Pamela Kops

(a few blocks away from the site)

From: Peter Tuckel

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposition to Vleigh Pllace Zoning Request

Date: Sunday, June 19, 2022 7:31:16 PM

Dear Council Members:

I am writing to express my strong disapproval of the proposed construction of a high-rise building at 77-39 Vleigh Place in Kew Gardens Hills.

There are several reasons why I am opposed to the proposed construction. First and foremost, the proposed building would be totally out of character with the surrounding community which is made up of single family homes, townhouses, and apartment buildings, none of which exceed three stories in height. Second, the building would dramatically increase traffic flow on streets which are already overflowing with traffic. This increase in traffic would further imperil the children who walk to and from a nearby elementary school as well as the many elderly pedestrians who live in the surrounding neighborhood. Third, the building would shrink the limited parking available which is critically important for those who attend religious services in the church across from the construction site and a nearby synagogue.

In addition to these factors and the unappealing aesthetics of the building, the proposed construction would negatively affect the personal safety of residents in our community. As studies have repeatedly found, there is a strong relationship between the height of buildings and crime. Low-rise buildings deter crime because of "eyes on the street." At the same time, low-rise buildings foster a sense of community and neighborliness. We in Kew Gardens Hills want to continue to live in a safe, friendly neighborhood. We want "eyes on the street." We do not want "eyes in the sky." This concern with safety is now all the more pronounced as crime is spiking in the city.

I should point out that the sentiments I express here are universally shared by the people who live in the immediate vicinity surrounding the proposed construction. When I canvassed dozens of people in the

neighborhood, virtually everyone I spoke with was adamantly opposed to the building. The people I spoke with represented a very diverse group coming from many different racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds.

I respectfully ask that you consider the overwhelming sentiment of the community which is decidedly opposed to the construction of a high-rise building in our midst.

Peter Tuckel

Flushing, New York

From: phyllis katten

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 9:14:57 PM

Dear City Council Member,

I respectfully ask that you please do NOT approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures - the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for Traffic, Child safety, overcrowding, and other items

This site, before it had a fire was only 1 story of retail shops - allowing the developer to build to an R6B would be a "huge gift" by the committee, BP, & Councilman and the developers should be "thankful" if they received that upgrade (the property is now an R3 with extremely restrictive use) - any development larger than this would be terrible and kill the neighborhood we love

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Please SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developers

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Phyllis Katten
Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: rafa navia

To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh place

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 7:04:50 AM

* We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures - the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for Traffic, Child safety, overcrowding, and other items.

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Thanks

From: Rena Goldman

To: Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposed

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 7:45:25 PM

Dear City Council Member,

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- * Please SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developers Sincerely,
 Rena Goldman

From: Rena Hurwitz

To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>; <u>Jones, Simone</u>; <u>Salamanca</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place development testimony-opposed

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 7:00:29 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Sincerely, Rena Hurwitz approximately —10—- blocks from the project

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Smile!! Hashem You!

From: Ricki Bruckner
To: Land Use Testimony

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 11:19:07 AM

Hi I cut and pasted from Orit's text - please feel free to use to send out:

Dear City Council Member,

I respectfully ask that you please do not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

- * We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for Traffic, Child safety, overcrowding, and other items.
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- * Please SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developers

Sincerely, Ricki

From: Robert Ginsberg

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony: Opposed the Zoning Request

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 5:50:04 PM

My name is Robert Ginsberg. I live at vehemently to the rezoning request.

It will be extremely detrimental to our community. I live only a few blocks away from this proposed development. I respectfully request the following:

- * Please do not approve anything more than an R6B (an R6A is terrible for many reasons and will hurt KGH).
- * We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for Traffic, Child safety, overcrowding, and other items.
- * This site, before it had a fire was only 1 story of retail shops allowing the developer to build to an R6B would be a "huge gift" by the committee, BP, & Councilman and the developers should be "thankful" if they received that upgrade (the property is now an R3 with extremely restrictive use) any development larger than this would be terrible and kill the neighborhood we love
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Thank you, Robert Ginsberg From: rengelson@gmail.com
To: Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposed to Vleigh Place zoning. Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 11:51:57 AM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Sincerely, Robyn Engelson

approximately 12 blocks from the project

 From:
 ruth czegledi

 To:
 Land Use Testimony

 Subject:
 [EXTERNAL]

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 10:49:28 AM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Sincerely,

Ruth Czegledi

From: <u>Sam Kazarnovsky</u>

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh rezoning

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 8:27:01 AM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely,

Samuel Kazarnovsky

I live 1 block from the project

From: Sandy Gros
To: Salamanca
Cc: Jones, Simone

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place development testimony opposed

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 10:20:49 AM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely, Sandy Gros

approximately 1.5 blocks from the project

From: Sheila Schulman
To: Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposed the Rezoning of Vleigh development

Date: Sunday, June 19, 2022 7:20:07 PM

My name is sheila schulman I am a senior living in kgh for approximately 40 years. We are a neighborhood with 2 or 3 story structures the developers want to build a 6 stories in one of the worst locations for traffic child safety overcrowding and other items. These developers already built 4 floors below grade before seeking opinion and approval from the Community Board, Boro President's Office ,Land Use and Zoning Committee or from Councilman Mr. James Generro -this is unheard of and not acceptable-the Developers Don't Care -Plesde help in restricting this project thank you in advance Sheila Schulman a residence of Kgh who opposes this project and who lives a block away.

From: Shimmy Idels
To: Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposed - Vleigh Place Development Testimony

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 12:07:30 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Sincerely,

Shimmy Idels

approximately 4 blocks from the project

From: Shlomo Boehm

To: <u>Jones, Simone</u>; <u>Land Use Testimony</u>; <u>Salamanca</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony - Opposed to the Zoning Request

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 5:50:20 PM

Dear Council Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request, and if you feel any concession is necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

- * The local is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for transportation, neighborhood safety, and traffic. In particular, across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level. The neighborhood consists of 2 or 3-story structures, and that's what it can handle, not 6 stories.
- * This site prior to the fire consisted of 1 story of retail shops. Granting an exception to the inplace rules, let alone allowing an R6B, would be a "huge gift" by the committee, BP, & Councilman, and one the community at large can't fathom. The developers should be "thankful" if they received an upgrade to R6B, as by right the property is now an R3 with extremely restrictive use. Any larger development would be terrible and kill the neighborhood we love.
- * The developers built 4 floors below grade even before seeking opinion and approvals from the Community Board, Boro Presidents' office, the Land Use & Zoning Committees, or from the Councilman Mr. James Generro. This is questionable and unacceptable behavior that disregards the zoning rules and committees, let alone the community.

WE the People of Kew Gardens Hills care what you think and look to you for your help in restricting this project to an R6B, if a any concession at all is necessary.

* Please SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developers.

Sincerely,
Shlomo Boehm
71st and 141st, approximately ten blocks from the project

From: S Orbach

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony - Opposed

Date: Sunday, June 19, 2022 11:27:21 PM

Let me introduce myself. My name is Shlomo Orbach. Together with my wife Helen we have lived in this neighborhood for the past 43 years. We have raised six wonderful children here. All of our children are now married and have beautiful families of their own. Three of these families still live in this neighborhood. This is a very unique area which has many wonderful advantages which we have benefited from and hope to continue to enjoy for many more years to come.

We were totally stunned to learn of the attempt by this greedy developer to absolutely drastically alter the nature and feel of our community by selfishly plowing ahead and commencing massive construction in the area without inquiring as to the opinions of the local residents or obtaining requisite approval for his outlandish plans. Let me be absolutely clear, this project must be halted immediately. Only a very downgraded construction project should be approved. This contractor should not be rewarded for his audacious disregard for the will of the local residents. I know all my neighbors feel exactly as I do. Do the right thing. Put the brakes on this misguided endeavor immediately.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Shlomo Orbach

Kew Gardens Hills, NY 11367

From: rebsholom@aol.com

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] We are opposed to the zoning request on Vleigh Place

Date: Sunday, June 19, 2022 5:38:16 PM

Honorable members of the Land Use and Zoning Committees,

While the developer certainly has the right to build apartments where there had previously been shops on Vleigh Place, his attempt to put up a high-rise apartment building is certainly out of place. In an area where buildings are mostly one- and two-stories, anything taller than that will stand out horribly. Add to that the fact that the site is directly across the street from a pre-school for children with special needs, the added traffic from a hundred or more apartments makes for a frightening scenario. We ask that you join with the Community Board and the Borough President in rejecting a request whose only benefits would be in filling a developer's pockets while creating an unsightly and possibly dangerous setting for those of us who live close by.

Please vote "No" on the re-zoning request.

Thank you for your kind concern.

Sholom Steinig

(two blocks from the development site)

From: Sori Goldfarb

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Oppose Vleigh Project

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 12:33:04 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level.

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We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely,
Sara Goldfarb
I live blocks from the project

From: <u>Sarapeta</u>

To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony and Opposed to the Zoning Request

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 2:49:52 PM

- * Please do not approve anything more than an R6B (an R6A is terrible for many reasons and will hurt KGH).
- * We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for Traffic, Child safety, overcrowding, and other items.
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- * Please SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developer
- * Safety of our children is most important to us. With such an imposing structure traffic will get even more dangerous than it is now. Especially when a very busy playground is just 1 block away.

Szymon Salwa

Kew Gardens Hills, NY 11367 (1 block away from the project) From: <u>Tova Begun</u>

To: Land Use Testimony; Jones, Simone; Salamanca
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Kindly address this crucial matter
Date: Wednesday, June 22, 2022 8:21:38 AM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level.

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We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely, Tova Begun

(We live blocks from the project)

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From: xiaoyanhuang0806@gmail.com

To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposed - the Zoning Request (Vleigh Place Development Testimony)

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 11:15:51 PM

My name is Xiaoyan Huang and I live 1 block away from the building.

(My address is Flushing NY 11367).

I OPPOSE the project because I am in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures and the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the WORST spots for traffic, child safety (across the stepping stone day care center) and overcrowding.

The developers already built 4 floors below grade before seeking opinion and APPROVALS from the Community Board, Borough Presidents' office, the Land Use & Zoning Committees, or from the Councilman Mr. James Generro. This is unheard of, and unacceptable, clearly, the Developers DON'T CARE what anyone thinks. We the People of Kew Gardens Hill CARE what you think and look to you for your help in restricting this project to an R6B if at all.

Please do not approve anything more than an R6B and SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developers.

发自我的iPhone

From: <u>Yitty Glaser</u>
To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Deny Vleigh place (queens) zoning request

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 11:06:03 AM

Subject: Please Deny Vleigh place (queens) zoning request

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level.

Community Board 8, Queens Civic Association, Borough President Donovan Richards, and State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky have all rejected or voiced their opposition to the rezoning as proposed by the developer.

We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely, Judy Glaser

I live blocks from the project

From: <u>Yitzy Lisker</u>

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh development ReZoning request - Testimony - OPPOSED

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 10:32:45 AM

Dear chairman & Members,

As everyone should be aware by now - the Community Board Voted to OPPOSE the ReZoning request by the developers

Boro President Mr. Donovan Richards recommended a smaller project (R6B) than the developers were requesting, with numerous restrictions attached as well.. (in line with what would be acceptable to most of the neighborhood) BP Richards Opposed the Rezoning request by the developers.

The KGH Civic Association Unanimously voted to OPPOSE the ReZoning request.

The Discussion is now at the Land Use committee & the ZonIng Committee

- * Please do not approve anything more than an R6B (an R6A is terrible for many reasons and will hurt KGH).
- * We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures the developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for Traffic, Child safety, overcrowding, and other items.
- * This site, before it had a fire was only 1 story of retail shops allowing the developer to build to an R6B would be a "huge gift" by the committee, BP, & Councilman and the developers should be "thankful" if they received that upgrade (the property is now an R3 with extremely restrictive use) any development larger than this would be terrible and kill the neighborhood we love
- * The developers already built 4 floors below grade before seeking opinion and approvals from the Community Board, Boro Presidents' office, the Land Use & Zoning Committees, or from the Councilman Mr James Generro. This is unheard of and unacceptable clearly, the Developers DONT CARE what anyone thinks. WE the People of Kew Gardens Hills CARE what you think and look to you for your help in restricting this project to an R6B if at all.
- * Please SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD by OPPOSING the ReZoning request by the Developers

Thank You, Yitzchak Lisker.

From: <u>Yocheved Deitsch</u>
To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh place development testimony (opposed)

Date: Tuesday, June 21, 2022 11:43:47 AM

OPPOSED

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary, I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Community Board 8, Queens Civic Association, Borough President Donovan Richards, and State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky have all rejected or voiced their opposition to the rezoning as proposed by the developer.

We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely, Yocheved Deitsch approximately 7- blocks from the project

From: Zev Kops

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Subject: Vleigh Place Development Testimony Opposing the Rezoning Request

Date: Monday, June 20, 2022 9:58:20 PM

As a long time resident of the Kew Gardens Hills community, I am greatly distressed at the prospect of the rezoning request that would enable the building of a high story complex on Vleigh Place. I believe that such a structure would drastically alter our neighborhood in negative ways.

The current zoning laws ensure that our neighborhood is a cozy and quiet one where neighbors know one another. Allowing high rise apartments will create a population density that was never intended for our neighborhood. Our stores will be crowded, our streets which are already difficult to navigate during the day will become a nightmare.

Please do not approve anything more than an R6B.

We are in a neighborhood with 2 or 3-story structures. The developer wants to build 6 stories in one of the worst spots for traffic, child safety and overcrowding.

The developers already built 4 floors below grade before seeking opinion and approvals from the Community Board, Borough President's office, the Land Use & Zoning Committees, or from Councilman James Generro. This is unheard of and unacceptable. The zoning laws were created for a purpose. They should be maintained and respected.

We look to you for your help in restricting this project to an R6B if at all.

Please save our neighborhood by opposing the Rezoning request by the developers.

Respectfully, Zev Kops

(about 4 blocks from the site)

From: Hindy Amsel

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh development - strongly OPPOSE

Date: Wednesday, June 22, 2022 4:45:26 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Sincerely,

Hindy amsel

I live blocks from the project

From: <u>Miranda Zuber</u>

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony

Date: Wednesday, June 22, 2022 6:11:44 PM

WE ARE **OPPOSED** to the Zoning Request.

One of the main reasons we are opposed to it is for safety reasons. Vleigh Place is a small street that has become a major artery in the Kew Gardens Hills neighborhood. In order to get to Queens Blvd, Grand Central Parkway, The Jackie Robinson Parkway, most of the population on this side of Main Street will use Vleigh Place as the street that brings them to Union Turnpike which leads into these three major locations. There is a large population of children that go to schools in Kew Gardens and therefore use Vleigh Place to get there (via Union Turnpike). The traffic in the morning is quite heavy and if you happen to live on the side streets (in my case 78^{th} Drive, 2 blocks from the construction site) it is almost impossible to be able to make a right turn to be able to get to Union Turnpike safely. And to make a left turn toward the construction site, is equally as dangerous, since many people seem to drive on the wrong side of the street in order to "make the light" on the corner of Union Turnpike and Vleigh Place. To add more traffic to this mess would be irresponsible, and dangerous.

For the safety of the children attending the school across the street, less traffic is needed, not more. You can have as many people watching a child as you want, but all it takes is for one child to just wander off for a few seconds and you could have a major catastrophe.

The developer mentioned at the meetings that he would have valet service underground. And what happens when there are more than three cars that are ready to enter the underground garage at the same time, ie, coming home after work (which is very possible in a large occupied development). Where do these people line up? On the narrow side streets? Asking for trouble there as well.

Please understand that this is a residential neighborhood with small children around. Please **DO NOT APPROVE** the zoning request.

Thank you	I.	
Israel and	Miranda	Zubei

From: <u>libbie tratner</u>

To: salananca@council.nyc.gov; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] vleigh development Strongly OPPOSE ~ please help

Date: Wednesday, June 22, 2022 5:33:54 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

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Sincerely,

batsheva tratner

I live blocks from the project

From: Indrit Gjyshi
To: Salamanca

Cc: <u>Jones, Simone</u>; <u>Land Use Testimony</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] 77-39 Vleigh Place (vacant lot facing Steppingstone School)

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 8:11:59 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level. Community Board 8, Queens Civic Association, Borough President Donovan Richards, and State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky have all rejected or voiced their opposition to the rezoning as proposed by the developer. We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, as I live right in front from the project.

Sincerely, Indrit Gjyshi From: <u>Joel Mampilly</u>

To: <u>Salamanca</u>; <u>Jones, Simone</u>; <u>Land Use Testimony</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony - Opposed

Date: Friday, June 24, 2022 4:27:29 PM

To the Land Use Committee,

I have spent most of my 26 years in Kew Gardens Hills, living a block away from the proposed redevelopment site. I am very **Opposed** to the redevelopment efforts on Vleigh Place.

The neighborhood is currently a mixture of 2-3 story buildings, in a high traffic area. The people are very working class - and most rely on cars to get to and from where they need to work as the closest train is ~ 1 mile away and there are only 3 bus routes in the vicinity. The desire to create a 6-8 story building under the guise of leaving 25% of units being affordable is laughable - there are already affordable units in the area and many of the homes are rent stabilized.

My primary concern is safety and traffic related. The redevelopment site sits at a 5 way traffic intersection, across the street from 2 schools (1 pre-school, and 1 second chance high school) and is in 2 block distance to another large elementary school, as well as a very frequented park. The area is constantly teeming with children, school buses, and parents. Across the street, there is also a Catcholic church with many daily mass- goers and a large weekend attendee group.

Adding a large building of >100 units, with only 1 parking spot per person would increase traffic, and decrease safety with the potential for more accidents. We've already got speeding issues in the neighborhood, please don't exacerbate our problems by adding another large building. An $\underline{R4}$ would be more than enough to meet the demands of the growing neighborhood.

Thanks, Joel Mampilly

Kew Gardens Hills, NY 11367

From: MARJOLA GJYSHI

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Zoning Request
Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 8:11:37 PM

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Sincerely, Marjola Gjyshi

From: Gena

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 10:01:21 AM

Dear Committee Member,

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From: Msgr. Michael J Hardiman
To: Land Use Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place

Date: Saturday, June 25, 2022 8:14:31 PM

Dear Committee Member, I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level. Community Board 8, Queens Civic Association, Borough President Donovan Richards, and State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky have all rejected or voiced their opposition to the rezoning as proposed by the developer. We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, as I live less than one block from this project.

Msgr. Michael J. Hardiman Pastor, Queen of Peace Church

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: rezarta kola
To: Salamanca

Cc: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Save Our Neighborhood!

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 9:50:51 AM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level. Community Board 8, Queens Civic Association, Borough President Donovan Richards, and State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky have all rejected or voiced their opposition to the rezoning as proposed by the developer. We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, as I live 1 block from the project. Sincerely, Rezarta Kola

rezurta mota

Flushing, NY 11367

From: William Delgado
To: Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh development testimony **Date:** Monday, June 27, 2022 9:56:30 PM

I am opposed and against The rezoning project at this location because of the increased traffic and safety hazard it brings to our neighborhood also the damage can do to our infrastructure for a project of that size in our neighborhood

From: Age Pjetergjoka

To: <u>Jones, Simone; Salamanca; Land Use Testimony</u>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Regarding Vleight Place Building

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 9:52:01 AM

Dear Committee Member,

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Age Pjetergjoka

From: Albana Blloshmi

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] New building proposal at 77-39 Vleigh Place vacant lot facing SteppingStone school

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 10:02:19 AM

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Albana Blloshmi

From: Albana Martini

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] New building proposal at 77-39 Vleigh Place vacant lot facing SteppingStone school

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 10:09:14 AM

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- > Sincerely,
- > Bana Martini

From: Alex Salamanca

Cc: Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 77-39 Vleight Place
Date: Monday, June 27, 2022 9:30:29 AM

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Sincerely, Aleksander Kola

Kew Gardens Hills, NY 11367

From: Alfred

To: <u>Jones, Simone</u>; <u>Land Use Testimony</u>; <u>Salamanca</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Save Our Neighborhood!!!

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 9:48:23 AM

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Alfred Hila

From: <u>anisa516@gmail.com</u>

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SAVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD
Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 4:10:45 PM

Dear Committee Member,

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Sincerely, Anisa Kola

From: ASHA MAMPILLY

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Re-development proposal

Date: Saturday, June 25, 2022 8:40:15 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level. Community Board 8, Queens Civic Association, Borough President Donovan Richards, and State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky have all rejected or voiced their opposition to the rezoning as proposed by the developer. We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and **OPPOSING** this rezoning, as I live a block from this project.

Thank you for your time -

Asha Mampilly

From: ASHA MAMPILLY

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place development Date: Thursday, June 23, 2022 9:42:03 PM

Dear Committee Member,

I respectfully ask that you deny the Vleigh Place zoning request. If you feel any concession necessary I request that you not approve anything more than an R6B for KGH.

Our neighborhood is already densely populated and overcrowded with insufficient resources for public transportation, neighborhood safety, and vehicle and pedestrian traffic. In particular, situated across from a school, permitting a larger building directly increases safety concerns for our children to an unacceptable level.

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We, the people of Kew Gardens Hills, look to you for your help in saving our neighborhood and OPPOSING this rezoning, and if any concession is necessary restricting this project to an R6B.

Sincerely, Asha Mampilly I live a block from the project!

From: <u>Aviva Tropper</u>

To: Salamanca; Jones, Simone; Land Use Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh place zoning request
Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 2:56:32 AM

Dear Committee Member,

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Sincerely,
-Aviva Tropper

I live blocks from the project

From: <u>Carl Wang</u>

To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vleigh Place Development Testimony

Date: Friday, June 24, 2022 12:03:18 PM

Dear Council Members,

I'm a resident in Kew Gardens Hill (KGH), this is a very quiet, peace full community with a friendly neighborhood. I recently notice the Vleigh Development is out of control and it needs to be stopped right now!

The developers want to build a 6-story high building right next to the kindergarten, the community knew this is unacceptable.

First of all, there are a lot of school buses parking next to the kindergarten every school day, so there will be a lot of traffic for a small community.

Second, a big building means more people will be in this community, which means a lot of noise and distractions for the kids.

Last and most importantly, safety. There are disabled children in that kindergarten, they NEED assistance to move, and cross the street. A large population will be a HUGE hazard to them and this is something our community doesn't want to see.

The developers obviously want to make a profit from the re-zoning, and the community and I fully understand. They are businesses, people lose their job if they are not making a profit. However, we cannot sacrifice the peaceful community here exists for decades. The community DISAPPROVES the 6-story project.

Across the KGH, we have mostly 2-story buildings, it makes absolutely zero sense to have a 6-story building in the middle of the community, what is it? A Church? A landmark for us? NO! We do not need or want a 6-story building.

There are multiple playgrounds for kids around the community, which will cause a huge hazard.

There are not enough parking spaces in the community, and KGH is over-occupied already. I sometimes need to park 3-4 blocks away.

The road is too narrow for more traffic. Some roads cannot be further upgraded, these roads are only 1.5 typical cars wide.

I understand there are loopholes for incentive zoning. We the people do not want the same idea copied from Manhattan to KGH. We the people disapprove 6-story high building project at 77-63 Vleigh Place.

Sincerely,

Carl Wang @ 77-12 Vleigh Place

From: <u>edi hila</u>
To: <u>Salamanca</u>

Cc:Jones, Simone; Land Use TestimonySubject:[EXTERNAL] Saving our neighborhoodDate:Sunday, June 26, 2022 9:52:52 AM

Dear Committee Member,

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Sincerely, Eduard Hila From: Gentian Blloshmi

To: <u>Land Use Testimony</u>; <u>Jones, Simone</u>; <u>Salamanca</u>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] New building proposal at 77-39 Vleigh Place vacant lot facing SteppingStone school

Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022 10:13:15 AM

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Gentian Blloshmi

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