

JUNE 9, 2020 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: PUBLIC HEARING NO. 1

ACTION ON PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SIDEWALKS ALONG MAIN STREET/ROUTE 17

First Name	Last Name	Street Address	Written Testimony: Per Council rules & procedures, testimony at public hearings is limited to 5 minutes. Please limit your written testimony to what can be reasonably read to the record of the public hearing in 5 minutes.
Jeffrey	Stein	142 Olde Stage Rd.	I am providing testimony as President of BikeWalk Glastonbury. As I mentioned to the Council over a year ago, the narrow shoulders on this part of Main St./Route 17 are a barrier to pedestrians and those bicyclists who do not feel safe riding there. These planned sidewalks will help provide an important connection for pedestrians and cyclists between the center of town and the South Glastonbury center. We support this sidewalk proposal and urge the Town to continue pursuing the best way to make the final connection between the Cider Mill and Red Hill Drive.
Evelyn	Eisenhardt	46 Lenox Drive	I strongly support that the sidewalk project along Rt. 17 be completed swiftly and in its entirety. The stretch between the Cider Mill and Red Hill is extremely dangerous for pedestrians. I understand there are engineering challenges associated with the project but surely they are not insurmountable. Therefore I respectfully urge the Council to prioritize finding a solution so this project can be fully completed as originally planned. Thank you.

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY: PUBLIC HEARING NO. 3

ACTION ON PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE BUILDING-ZONE REGULATIONS REGARDING BUILDING HEIGHTS IN COMMERCIAL ZONES AND CHANGES TO THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP

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Emily	Weil	P.O. Box 233 South GBury	I do not want taller buildings approved. Thank you.
Heather	Hassan	404 Addison Road	I grew up in the town and remember when there was not much more than a corner soda shop where Daybreak is now located. I lived NYC for 20 years and moved back to Glastonbury recently to leave the City atmosphere. However, it appears that we are not protecting this town and it is becoming another City. We are changing the landscape of this Historic town. I feel we need to protect the town to preserve the quaintness which many residents appreciate. We already have more buildings than there is demand for tenants. (Somerset is half empty.) I feel that we should consider the impact on raising building height restrictions. Not only will this change the feel of the town but it contributes to more traffic, crowding and increased use of public resources. Going to downtown Glastonbury is something I not longer enjoy due to all the traffic and crowding. We should protect our town. While I understand, land owners have the right to develop, I feel we should consider the desire of the community to protect our town. The bottom line should not always be monetary. If nothing else, let's postpone this decision until members of the community can attend the meeting in person to discuss our concerns. This is a big decision to be made without residents being present. My vote is that we maintain our current building height and limit our sprawling to maintain the integrity of our town. thank you for your time. Heather