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Re: Town of Hinesburg Act 250 MINOR Notice #4C1140-3/Town of Hinesburg/Police Station/Hinesburg – Amendment #27

Dear Mr. Keibel:

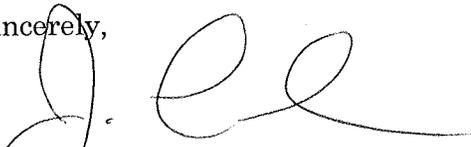
The Town of Hinesburg would like the District Commission to reconsider Amendment #27: All vehicles not responding to an emergency shall enter and exit the property from Farmall Drive. While a through road is part of the Town's master plan for Lot 1, that connection is not included with the plans for the new police station and, consequently, the project would become unachievable due to budget constraints.

The proposed access to Rte 116 from the new police station will supplant the access from the current police station to Rte 116. Both emergency and non-emergency vehicles have used the current police station's drive for over twelve (12) years. The Town of Hinesburg worked collaboratively with the Vermont Agency of Transportation on the placement of the curb-cut for the new police station and both parties are satisfied with the design as presented. Furthermore, Hinesburg Fire and EMS will not use the new egress when responding to emergencies; rather, they will continue using the access drive just south of the fire station.

If a connection from Rte 116 to Farmall Drive is completed as part of a full master plan build-out, the Town would be required to submit an Act 250 permit amendment for the proposed work. At that time, it would be appropriate to discuss the possibility of prohibiting non-emergency vehicles from accessing Rte 116 as they exit the new police station.

We very much appreciate your attention to this matter and the Town of Hinesburg looks forward to working with you and the District Commission on this project.

Sincerely,


Joe Colangelo,
Town Administrator