

To: Planning Board Members

From: Ben Frost

Date: August 25, 2022

Subject: Comet Workforce Housing Application

Please read through the emails I sent to Ben Osgood, Comet's engineer, identifying a variety of concerns and issues I have related to their application.

I have gotten advice from the Board's legal counsel and will share that during non-public session prior to our meeting at 7pm. I've scheduled a separate meeting at 6:30pm on Monday just for the non-public session. Please make every effort to attend this important non-public meeting.

To help move things along, I sought out our independent reviewing engineering firm, Aries Engineering, and engaged them to provide a report on the application. We should have that in advance of Monday's public meeting. We received a check for \$2,500 from the applicant that will cover the costs of Aries' review.

I know that many people have concerns about this application. I strongly encourage you not to engage in conversations with others about the substance of this application (or any other application, for that matter) until after the Planning Board has held its public hearing, gathered the facts, and made its decision. Telling people about the process is fine (we'll decide whether to accept the application; if we do, we'll hold a public hearing, and then make a decision at some point). Listening to people is fine, too. And certainly invite their written comments (email to Janice is fine) and attendance at the meeting or on Zoom.

Thank you for your dedicated service to the Town of Warner.