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Mr. Robert Rosa Rockland Zoning Board of Appeals 242 Union Street Rockland, MA 02370

Dear Sir;

In response to the request for me to give an opinion regarding a traffic plan for the proposed new Fire Department to be constructed at the current Lincoln School location, let me offer the following.

First let me say that I am in full support of the proposed project. Having had the opportunity to watch the televised public comment broadcast this past week I was able to learn a lot of useful information about the proposed project including a number of thoughtful and insightful comments from citizens in the community. Having gone through the experience of working in a old out dated police station and then moving into a brand new facility, I can say that it was certainly a boost in morale for the officers in our department. I would expect that this project would have the same positive effect on our firefighters.

With that being said, and based on my initial review of the project area along with my discussions with Fire Chief Duffey, I feel that the proposed site has more than adequate traffic corridors to accommodate a fire station. Fire Apparatus that exit the proposed facility can access Church Street up to Union Street or utilize Howard Street out to Webster Street or East Water Street.

My only suggestion would be that consideration be given to post Howard Street "No Parking" on that portion of Howard Street from Church down to East Water Street. This will allow fire apparatus the ability to freely make the turn onto Howard Street from Church without and potential hindrances.

Sincerely,

Nicholas P. Zeoli Chief of Police