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Sarah Mellish, Chair
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10 Central St.
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Dear Sarah,

Thank you for including me in the meeting on June 15th to discuss the SLV's 40B application. As a result of our discussion with Chief Cleary and Town Administrator Greg Federspiel, I would like to reiterate my support for the Town's desire to require at a minimum a second pedestrian egress point in the event of an emergency. As was discussed, in a perfect world a second access point is always a consideration in an emergency, but it is not always easy to plan for every significant incident and sometimes evacuation of a building or facility during an emergency may not be the best tactical course of action for both a law enforcement and fire incident. However, given the terrain, scope, and number of residents that are expected I would support the Town's desire for a dedicated emergency pedestrian egress in the rare event the building would need to be evacuated.

I remain open for questions or comments on this topic.

Best,

Chief Todd J. Fitzgerald

cc: Greg Federspiel, Town Administrator