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Subject: FW: Neighbors #2

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Sent: Friday, September 19, 2025 2:26 PM

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Not me and not my car.

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Exhibit 38 (f)

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On Fri, Sep 19, 2025 at 2:18 PM Penny Evins <penny.evins@holton-arms.edu> wrote:

Do you have that attachment? I was at School the entire day was our first day of school. Thank you.

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On Fri, Sep 19, 2025 at 2:10 PM _____ wrote:

From: **Meg VanDeWeghe** <meg.vandeweghe@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Sep 10, 2025 at 11:48 AM
Subject: Very Upsetting Holton Arms Update
To: Meg VanDeWeghe <meg.vandeweghe@gmail.com>

Several of us participated in a Zoom call with Holton Arms yesterday evening. It was a very upsetting call. Despite traffic concerns voiced by neighbors, Holton Arms is determined to expand their academic and camp enrollments in ways that they admit would result in at least 1000 cars a day entering and leaving Holton Arms. Holton Arms also is determined to rent out facilities to as many as 870 non-Holton people, which their traffic consultant admitted would result in “huge surges” of traffic along River Road. Furthermore, Holton Arms does NOT appear willing to make any commitments to mandate busing, car pools or other traffic mitigation strategies if they are allowed to increase academic year enrollment, summer camp enrollment or facility rentals. They are simply hoping that education and incentives will affect Holton Arms traffic. Unfortunately, once increased enrollment and rentals are approved, there is little we can do to limit traffic, so we have to fight the proposed expansion plan before it is approved!

Holton Arms also said that they thought that mandatory busing was not appropriate for their student body (even though other local private schools use mandatory busing) and they admitted that their planned efforts to incentivize (rather than require) students and faculty to reduce single occupant car trips to Holton Arms might take a long time and is not guaranteed to be successful.

Additionally, Holton Arms has no realistic proposal to limit traffic through Al Marah, which is not surprising since even Penny Evins (Head of School) appears to use Al Marah as a cut through to avoid heavy Holton Arms River Road traffic (see attached photos of Penny cutting through Al Marah to go to Holton Arms on Sept 2). In fact, what Holton Arms is proposing would make Al Marah traffic worse, since they are suggesting a dedicated left hand turn lane (rather than a dedicated right hand turn lane) out of Al Marah on Royal Dominion, so those of us trying to get to work or appointments by turning right would be blocked in by the Holton Arms cars trying to go straight to cross River Road into Holton Arms! Furthermore, the intersection construction they are proposing would probably close the Royal Dominion entrance into Al Marah for several months!

Finally, they did not present the Montgomery County comments on their proposal or the new traffic study that Holton Arms has done (which they plan to file on September 12). However, they did commit to provide this info to me and to the two other “parties of record” regarding the proposed expansion. I will provide it to you as soon as I receive it, but I don’t expect it to include any positive news.

We will be back in touch soon with some specific suggestions for steps that each of us should take to fight the proposed Holton Arms expansion. For now, **please keep taking traffic pictures, and please plan to attend the Nov 20 zoning hearing meeting either via Zoom or in person.**

Thanks, Meg

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