

Bonenfant, Janice

From: Jack Shields <jack-shields@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, May 05, 2017 9:22 AM
To: Bonenfant, Janice
Subject: Tannery proposal in Penacook

Dear City Council,

We attended the tannery meeting at the Penacook Elementary as well as many other meetings relating to Penacook redevelopment and the tannery site in particular over these past years.

We would like the Councilors to know that we are not in favor of the Caleb Group proposal as we think the school portion tax impact will be greater than that projected by the city.

We also don't think it does much for our city tax base here in Penacook either because of the finance district implications.

In our neighborhood, multi-family houses that were in disrepair last year are being bought, rehabbed and put back on the market. We think housing is tightening up.

We understand the scarcity of proposals but we would rather wait until something better (mixed use as previously proposed many times) comes along.

If nothing happens in another five years, then remove the fence, flatten it out and make it into a field next to the river. Someone will eventually buy it.

Meanwhile you have removed (controlled) a poison in our midst. Thank you most sincerely.

The city has just rebuilt our downtown, let that change take effect to attract new proposals. We think it attracted this one, so please be patient.

We have endured that eyesore for decades, a few more years won't kill us.

My wife Jo and I vote no please.

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