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2 Dedham Street: Fuel Tank Relocation

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Dear Board of Selectmen,

I am writing to express my concerns about the plan to relocate the fuel station within the town yard. Moving the gas station closer to residential areas poses significant risks to public health and safety, due to potential exposure to benzene and other harmful emissions. The relocation is unnecessary and would cost the town \$1.5 million! It would be better to leave the station in its current location - it does not need to be moved, again.

The fires in Los Angeles have demonstrated how quickly catastrophic events can occur. Relocating the gas station to a congested area in the back of the town yard with heavy industrial traffic, near wooded areas/conservation land, drinking water, and under a cell phone tower equipped with batteries, generators, and power packs poses significant risks to the community. The new location is also closer to homes, about 150 feet, and the necessary fire safety measures, such as fire extinguishers, have not been adequately addressed.

I am currently researching state and EPA regulations about fuel stations located within 500 feet of residential homes. I will follow up when I learn more. This move prioritizes convenience over health and safety. I respectfully urge the board to consider alternative locations.

Thank you,
Nicole Seferian

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