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President Shannon and
Burlington City Councilors
City Hall
149 Church Street
Burlington, VT 05401

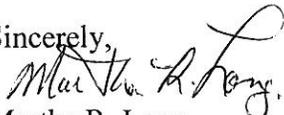
Dear President Shannon and Burlington City Councilors:

Ward 1 residents are concerned about the Burlington School District's proposal to sell 150 Colchester Avenue. It was first announced this June and since that time the school department has cancelled several presentations on the proposed sale. If the city council is asked to consider this land transaction I would like to suggest you have the following information:

1. The backup documents for the renovations for St. Joseph's School. For example, which contractors gave what prices for what work. And, why the costs have gone from \$1.5M to \$2.4M.
2. A copy of the appraisal for St. Joseph's School. Currently the only appraisal information on St. Joseph School belongs to the Diocese of Vermont and it is not a public document. There is only a one page summary sheet available. To even consider purchasing \$2M in real estate with such limited information seems rather foolish.
3. The purchase and sales agreement. One was not available with the first MOU in June.
4. A copy of the lease/sales agreement on Taft School. It was also not available with the first MOU.
5. An explanation on where the fifty office workers, who can't be moved to St. Joseph, which is in a residential zone, are going to go and at what cost.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Martha R. Lang.

