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**From:** Roland Bartl  
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**To:** Planning Board  
**Cc:** 'George Dimakarakos'; 'Authentic Homes'  
**Subject:** Ellsworth Village Hearing Schedule  
**Importance:** High

Hi:

As you all know by now, Ruth will not be able to attend the 3/22 hearing continuation. It is my understanding that the proponent will not want to hold the hearing with only 5 Planning Board members eligible to vote on the project given the supermajority voting requirement for special permits. Therefore, a continuation seems the most likely solution to the scheduling problem. Town Counsel has advised that Lauren, should she become Selectman, can nevertheless continue to serve on the Planning Board until this matter is concluded.

The next regularly scheduled meeting after 3/22 is not until 4/26. The decision deadline is 4/25. We have not received or asked for an extension in the decision deadline, as it did not appear necessary until this point. Please note that such extensions are at the discretion of the applicant. In light of all this, I ask that Board members Lauren, Greg, Chris, Stacy, Ruth, and Edmund (those eligible to vote on the project) please reserve April 12 in their calendars for a special meeting of the Board to hold the hearing continuation. That would give me two weeks to draft a decision for the 4/26 meeting. Under such a schedule I think the applicant would be willing to grant a 1- or 2-day extension from the otherwise applicable decision deadline.

Please confirm your availability for 4/12 a.s.a.p. with me (I already heard from Ruth in the affirmative). The hearing continuation would then be formally announced at the 3/22 hearing date.

While you mark you calendar, please also mark 4/19 as a back-up date to the 12th. Please know that I would much prefer the 12th because the 19th would give me only 2-3 days to draft a decision for your 4/26 meeting package.

Regards -

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