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Memorandum

To: Norwalk Planning and Zoning
From: Michael Yeosock, P.E., Principal Engineer - Transportation, Mobility & Parking
Date: March 29, 2022
Subject: TMP Traffic Impact & Assessment: Schoolhouse Academy, 32 Weed Avenue

The Transportation, Mobility and Parking (TMP) Department has completed a review of the following documents related to establishing a private school for grades kindergarten through 12 at 32 Weed Avenue on the site of Lakota Oaks, a private convention and hospitality center:

- Traffic Access and Impact Study prepared by Hardesty & Hanover dated March 2022
- Site Drawings for Schoolhouse Academy issued on 3/14/22

Based upon our review, we offer the following comments:

On-site:

- Although there is some mention of how the bus and parent zone will operate in the traffic access and impact study, there isn't any circulation or signage plans provided in the drawing set. Please provide a detailed circulation and signage plan showing student loading zones for parents and buses and proposed traffic pattern.
- Please determine if there is adequate driveway stacking length for lining up cars on site and show location.
- Please identify location of short-term parking spaces
- Identify where bicycle facilities are being provided on-campus.
- Are there any left or right turn lanes planned at the exits?
- Are there any physical barriers planned to separate bus and car traffic?
- Identify parent loading zones?
- What is the staging method for school buses?
- Provide sidewalks and crosswalks proposed from the parking lots
- Show how access from the handicap parking spaces is being provided.
- Provide sightline analysis at driveways
- Review traffic island at Weed Avenue driveway exit

Off-site Traffic Comments

- New Canaan Avenue @ Nursery Street should be part of study area
- Provide accident analysis. Include accident data at New Canaan Avenue and Nursery

- Provide details on how trip distribution was determined
- The Level of Service westbound, already an “F” during the morning peak at the intersection of Richards and Fallow Street has resulted in an increase in delay of 33.4 seconds. Please provide a mitigation plan- perhaps a mini-roundabout
- Provide sidewalks along Weed Avenue frontage. It is within 1 mile walkshed of Fox Run Elementary School.

Please note that this is a preliminary review of the submitted documents. Additional comments may follow once the requested information is received.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.