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## Hi Scott:

My concerns are just four--it has about a third larger footprint--it is closer to the streets---it needs a sidewalk directly into the site from Fuller and/or Western--and it needs to be quite beautiful since the site is the prime commercial corner in McKownville.

I very much like the sidewalk along the driveway up from Western but I was hoping for sidewalks on both sides of the driveway with verges for protection of the pedestrians——and I would like some distinctive plantings to enhance the site——and I am concerned that the Fuller Road project being done by the County and the storm water project that is being planned by NYState DOT for the reservoir have not been integrated into your plans——the former could lead to wider sidewalks with a verge along Fuller and or Western while the latter could lead to major storm sewer work being done in the near future very near your building site.

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Don
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> Hi Don,
> Thank you for meeting with Mark and I recently as well as providing us
> with a name to consider for the restaurant. Since we have the meeting
> tomorrow evening, I just wanted to touch base with you prior to the
> meeting to see if you had any questions or potential concerns regarding
> our proposal. If so, please let me know and we can see if it can be
> addressed prior to the meeting.
> Again, thank you.
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> ----Original Message----
> From: <u>dreeb@albany.edu</u> [mailto:<u>dreeb@albany.edu</u>]
> Sent: Monday, March 10, 2008 9:32 PM
> To: <u>dreeb@albany.edu</u>
> Cc: Scott Townsend
> Subject: Re: Mangia's and meetings
>> Hi McKownville
                                                             March 10, 2008
>> On Wednesday March 12, the Town Planning Board will respond to a
> request
>> by Mangia's of Stuyvesant Plaza to rip down the present restaurant and
>> replace it with a somewhat larger one-the present restaurant is about
>> 4,500 square feet, not counting the basement, while the proposed new
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>> will be nearly 6,000 square feet and will not have a basement. The
> Town
>> meeting will begin at 7:30 but there are many items on the agenda and
>> Mangia's is the final item.
>> At a meeting with Scott Townsend, the architect for the proposed new
>> restaurant, he stated that Mangia's is looking for a new name. He can
> be
>> contacted at 3tarchitects.com.
>>
>> I think I have a great suggestion for a name-The McKown Restaurant. As
>> many of you know, the McKown Hotel was located, for over 100 years;
> where
>> the Burger King and the 99 Restaurant are presently located, on
> Western
>> Avenue just across from Mangia's. The name would honor that historic
>> establishment and the name which served to inspire the name of our
>> neighborhood as well.
>> The next meeting of the McKownville Improvement Association will be
>> Thursday March 27 at 7pm at the Holiday Inn Express-the topic will be
> the
>> County's plans for Fuller Road. Mike Franchini, the County Highway
>> Commissioner, will be making the presentation. But we always make time
>> comments from neighbors concerning other topics--anything at all that
> you
>> think is relevant.
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>> See you at the meetings.
>>
>> Don Reeb
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