

## Public comment to the Planning Board and Redevelopment Authority Board at their September 28, 2021 joint meeting.

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Below is my public comment to the Planning Board and Redevelopment Authority Board at their September 28, 2021 joint meeting.

"Documentation to support Special Permit #315 and the MEPA NPC contains calculations anticipating widespread traffic congestion within the next seven years. The "No Build" traffic conditions in the year 2028 show area congestion even before 800,000 s.f. of new development is added. This traffic crisis is comparable to the electrical energy crisis of recent years at Kendall."

"In past traffic reviews at Kendall, the concentration was on the primary bottleneck intersection -- O'Brien Highway and Land Boulevard. Calculations of expected traffic Volumes to Capacity or V/C were over 1.00, indicating likely traffic congestion, now or forecast in the future. The latest traffic projections for 2028 No Build in the afternoon peak hour show five intersections to be more congested than O'Brien-Land, with considerable new congestion along Binney Street."

"In order of traffic overloading during the 2028 afternoon peak hour, these locations have the following V/Cs:

1	Cambridge Street and First Street	1.72
2	Main Street and Ames Street 1.6	9
3	O'Brien Highway and First Street	1.60
4	Binney Street and First Street 1.5	<b>j1</b>
5	Binney Street and Fulkerson Street	1.41
6	O'Brien Highway and Land Boulevard	1.39
7	Binney Street and Third Street	1.33
8	Broadway and Galileo Way	1.29
9	Broadway and Third Street	1.28
10	Cambridge and Third Streets 1.20	0 "