

Washington Grove Woman's Club

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Dear Friends,

The Woman's Club of Washington Grove is grateful for the efforts of the Sustainability Group as they strive to prepare the town for imminent changes related to curbing global warming.

Following the recent Town Hall meeting at which the installation of EV charging stations was discussed, we wanted to reach out to express a concern – not about the installation of the charging stations – but about one of the proposed locations for a station.

Locating an EV Charging Station along Chestnut Road between the Town Hall and the Woman's Clubhouse would reduce the already very limited adjacent parking available for both the Woman's Club events as well as rentals.

The Club discourages parking along Miller Drive, since some Town residents use Miller Drive as their only parking option. Parking along Chestnut Road makes it possible for easy loading and unloading of materials necessary for events. This parking is also necessary for ease of access by older members.

The recently constructed stairs between Chestnut Road and the Clubhouse have eliminated a precarious climb up the hill between the road and the building. They are necessary for safe pedestrian access to the Clubhouse. Restoration of the Woman's Club historic sign, which will return to its original location near the stair, will take place this year, making it clear to those passing by that this is an access route for the Woman's club. We believe that the stair and signage must not be blocked or damaged because of the installation of a station

Please consider the needs of the Woman's Club and select alternate locations for the EV Charging stations. We would be happy to send a representative to discuss this with you further, if desired. We appreciate your attention to this request.

Sincerely,



Arlene McCrehan, President
Washington Grove Woman's Club

