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Mayor's Message



Major Renovations Planned

On behalf of our Municipal Council

On Thursday June 22, 2023, the Stratford Joint Land Use Board held a Major Site Plan Review Hearing to consider an application that proposed major improvements to Laurel Manor.

The property located at 18 West Laurel Road was first constructed in 1965, with no major renovations to speak of. Of particular interest to our community, the owner sought permission to increase their building size, by adding a wing of 9 additional rooms onto the rear of the facility. Additionally, they sought approval to increase their dining room, and recreational space by enclosing the existing front entranceway. A major facelift to the exterior of the facility was presented along with the addition of 50 parking spaces. In response to board and public feedback, changes to the plan were required as a condition of approval. Those changes included a triple buffer of shrubbery along Laurel Road, and the erection of a solid vinyl privacy fence adjacent to residences that abut the facility. At the conclusion of the hearing, the board approved the proposal that will **dramatically enhance the facility's use and appearance**. I would like to thank the owners of Laurel Manor for continuing to invest in Stratford and we look forward to all of the exciting modernizations that will further enrich our community.

A larger rendering of the approved façade can be viewed in the lobby of the Borough Hall

CURRENT FAÇADE



APPROVED FAÇADE

