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As a lifelong Woodsider, we would welcome with open arms a revitalization of this area of Woodside that we call affectionately "downtown Woodside" - AKA the geographic heart of NYC.

The plan's proposed improvements of the area would also provide for additional housing (some of which will be affordable) adjacent to a major transit hub w/the LIRR, #7 line and several bus routes that connect to points south and west in Queens. And on the commercial side, new storefronts would certainly be an attraction to a renter with this transit hub access, steady foot traffic and additional residents. Further, a focus on the arts is also something that is sorely needed so as to "compete" with the likes of LIC, Manhattan and Brooklyn and provide forums for artists to call home.

The team that is proposing this project is one we know well: they work exclusively in Queens, they have deep roots here themselves like all of us and they've been staunch supporters of the community - especially St. Sebastian's Parish - for quite some time now. That demonstrates their commitment to the neighborhood and Queens at large.

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