

**LAWS & RULES COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30 PM.**

1. Jervis Street - D. Baker
2. Coalition against Bigger Trucks - Alderwoman Pasti

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**Tinti, Elisa**

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**From:** Baker, Daniel  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 31, 2023 9:35 AM  
**To:** Shaut, Andrea  
**Cc:** Tinti, Elisa; Noble, Steve  
**Subject:** Jervis St (Sale of City Street) Parcel B  
**Attachments:** Valuation Summary Letter (Jervis St) (Parcel B) (Boyd).pdf; Parcel B Description (Jervis St) (Boyd).pdf

Madam President,

Please find attached a communication to you with regards to the sale of a portion of Jervis St and a description of that piece of property (Parcel B).

Respectfully,

Dan

**Daniel Baker**  
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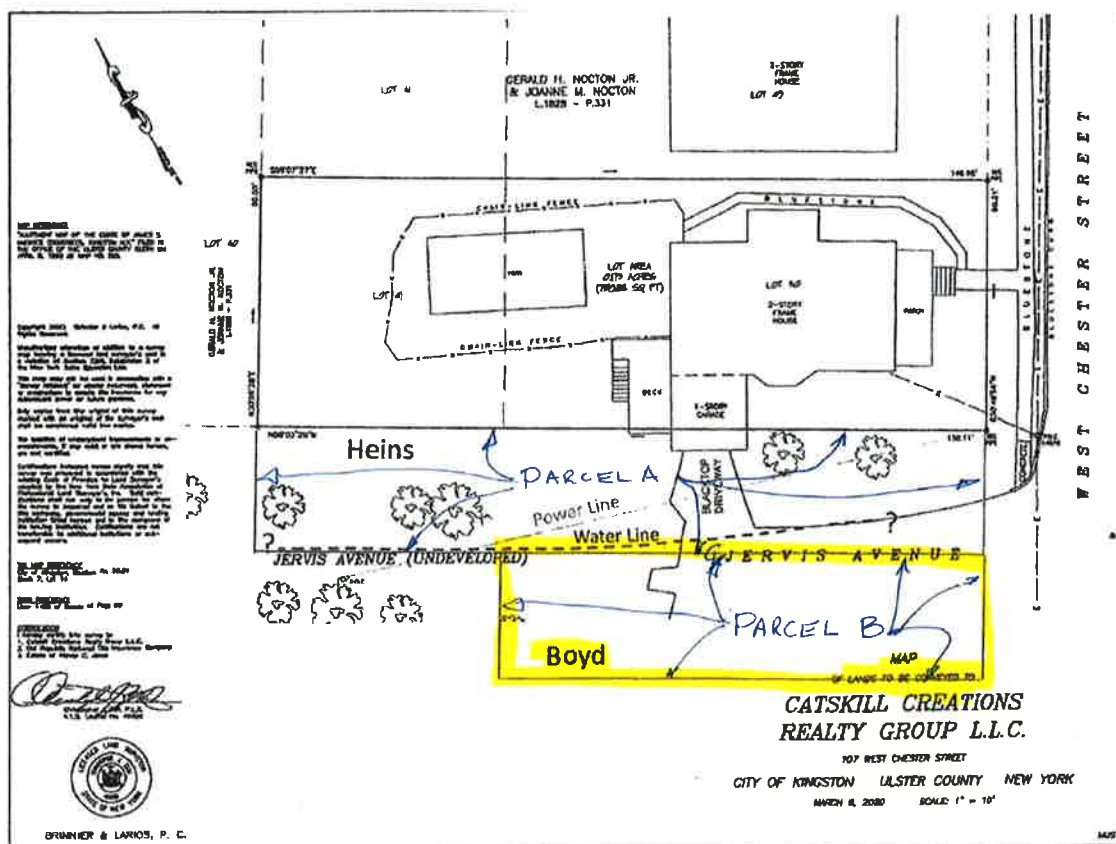
Daniel Baker, City Assessor

Determination of Value

Real Property owned by the City of Kingston

Property known as a portion of Jervis St (about 2,500 sqft+- or 0.057 Acres +-) adjacent to property owned by Boyd (SBI# 56.34-7-20).

City of Kingston, Ulster County, New York



Prepared in accordance with the City of Kingston Code

Part II: Article XIII, Section 335-61

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Steven T. Noble, Mayor

Daniel Baker, City Assessor

8/11/2023

Common Council President Shaut  
City Hall  
420 Broadway  
Kingston NY 12401

Re: The Common Council Request to Value Property known as Jervis St (about 2,500 sqft+- or 0.057 Acres +-) adjacent to property owned by Boyd (SBL# 56.34-7-20), as described by City Engineer John Schultheis in the attached Schedule B.

Dear Madam President:

As requested I have completed the Determination of Value analysis of the above referenced property in accordance with the City of Kingston Code. In order to determine the value this Jervis St. section it was first necessary to determine the current market value of the property and then apply the valuation standards set forth in the City of Kingston Code. The City of Kingston Code requires that in determining the "price", the assessor shall consider "the reuse of the parcel for which it lends itself" and "the quality of the title".

The following assumptions are made in determining the value of the street:

- 1) The reuse of the property will be a used as a side yard/driveway and NOT as a separate developable piece of land.
- 2) The quality of the title will be "good, clear and marketable title"

This "Determination of Value" report sets forth the pertinent data gathered, the valuation technique used and reasoning leading to the determination of value in accordance with the City of Kingston Code.

It is my conclusion that value to the City of Kingston of the fee simple interest of the subject property (Property known as Jervis St (about 2,500 sqft+- or 0.057 Acres +-) adjacent to property owned by Boyd (SBL# 56.34-7-20)) described by City Engineer John Schultheis in the attached Schedule B with the assumptions as directed by the City of Kingston Code is:

**SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS**  
**(\$6,700)**

Please feel free to contact me or call me to committee with any questions.

Sincerely,

Daniel P Baker II  
Assessor, City of Kingston

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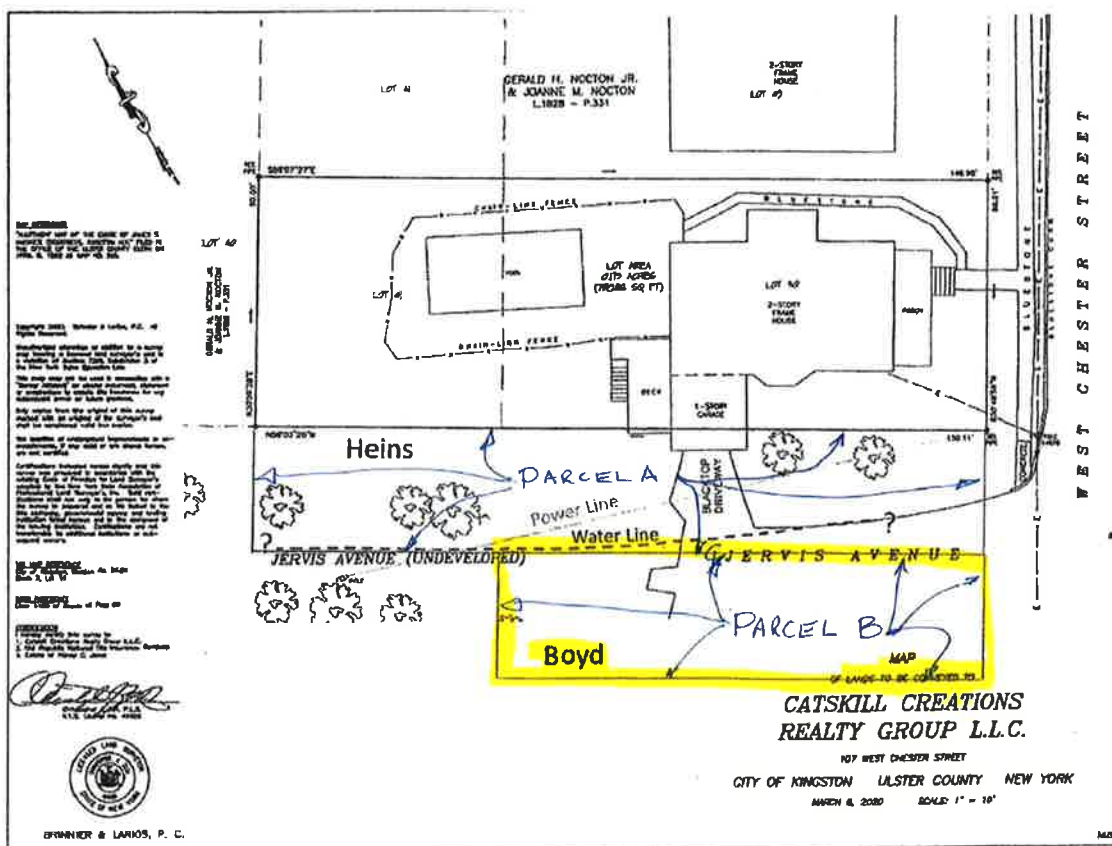
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**Tinti, Elisa**

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**From:** Shaut, Andrea  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 8:29 PM  
**To:** Tinti, Elisa  
**Cc:** Pasti, Sara  
**Subject:** Fw: COALITION AGAINST BIGGER TRUCKS  
**Attachments:** Chief Joseph Sinagra LTC.pdf; Sample CABT Letters to Congressional Representatives.pdf

Hi Elisa,

Can you please add this email, and the attachments, to my communications folder? I will assign for September.

Thank you,

Andrea Shaut

Council President, City of Kingston

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**From:** Pasti, Sara <ward1@kingston-ny.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 9:46 AM  
**To:** Shaut, Andrea <ashaut@kingston-ny.gov>  
**Subject:** COALITION AGAINST BIGGER TRUCKS

Dear President Shaut,

Please accept this message as a communication to be placed on the agenda of the appropriate committee.

Below is a request from Rob Bielunas, the Regional Director of the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks, asking the Common Council/City of Kingston to send letters to our Congressional representatives asking them—as Mr. Bielunas suggested to me—"to consider opposing any bills or proposals that seek to increase truck weights. Such an increase would place an undue burden on our already strained infrastructure, compromise public safety, and harm the economic vitality of our city." The Police Chief of Saugerties has already sent such a letter on behalf of Saugerties. A copy of his letter and other sample letters are attached.

Apparently there are currently bills before the House and Senate that would increase the weights of trucks on roadways across the country to 90,000 pounds, which can damage existing roadways and bridges and cause increased fatalities in crashes—which is why the request is being made now.

I have a packet of information provided to me by Mr. Bielunas that I can share with you and the committee.

FYI: I suggested to Mr. Bielunas that he also approach the Mayor's Office.

Below is text from an email sent to me by Mr. Bielunas that relates specifically to his request. Let me know if you have any questions.

# SAUGERTIES POLICE DEPARTMENT



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4 HIGH STREET  
SAUGERTIES, NEW YORK 12477  
<http://police.saugertiesny.gov>  
(845) 246-9800  
FAX:(845) 246-0159



**JOSEPH A. SINAGRA**  
*Chief of Police*

**STEPHEN W. FILAK, SR.**  
*Captain of Police*

**KENNETH J. SWART, JR.**  
*Lieutenant of Police*

May 16, 2023

Representative Marcus J. Molinaro  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1207 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Molinaro,

I am writing to ask that you oppose any proposals allowing heavier or longer trucks in the upcoming supply chain markup in the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

It is my understanding that on May 23rd, the House Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee, which I believe you are a member of, will vote on bills dealing with supply-chain issues. Included, I am being told there could be language that would allow a 91,000-pound pilot project on interstates (H.R. 471, Section 8) and increased weights for log trucks (H.R. 2493) and auto-haulers (H.R. 2948). Further, I am hearing that it is possible there will be a proposal for longer "Double 33" trucks also on the agenda.

We are committed here in New York State, to make every effort toward ensuring our public roadways are safe for everyone who travels on them. I am asking that you please vote no on these proposals, as I know you too, value the safety of all motorists, as I do. It is clear from the research, that these proposals, if passed, will negatively affect the safety of all motorists.

As, always, please don't hesitate in contacting me directly if you have any questions or concerns relative to this communication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph A. Sinagra".  
Joseph A. Sinagra  
Chief / VP- NYSACOP

The Honorable Marc Molinaro  
United States House of Representatives  
1207 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Molinaro,

I am writing to you to ask you to oppose any sort of increase in commercial truck size and weight. Kingston is a vibrant and growing city that prides itself on its commitment to safety, infrastructure maintenance, and the overall well-being of our residents. As a significant transportation corridor, these vehicles already place a heavy burden on our infrastructure, and any increase in truck weights would exacerbate the existing challenges we face.

Increased truck weights would have a detrimental impact on our roads, bridges, and overall transportation infrastructure. Within Kingston's borders there are several important pieces of infrastructure such as The Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge, New York State Route 199, U.S. Highway 9W and Interstate 87. While we understand the need for efficient freight transportation, we firmly believe that any proposed increase in truck weights would undermine the integrity of our roadways, jeopardize public safety, and impose significant financial burdens on our city and its taxpayers.

The potential consequences of increased truck weights on our infrastructure are concerning. Our roads and bridges are not designed to withstand the added strain that would come with heavier trucks. We are already grappling with ongoing maintenance and repair costs to address the wear and tear caused by existing traffic volumes. An increase in truck weights would accelerate this deterioration, leading to increased infrastructure repair costs and, ultimately, diminished quality of our roads. The U.S. Department of Transportation estimates the 91,000-pound, six-axle configuration would negatively affect more than 4,800 bridges, costing \$1.1 billion.

In conclusion, we strongly urge you to consider opposing any bills or proposals that seek to increase truck weights. Such an increase would place an undue burden on our already strained infrastructure, compromise public safety, and harm the economic vitality of our city. We kindly request that you take our concerns into account when evaluating the potential impacts of these proposals.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Kirsten Gillibrand  
United States Senate  
478 Russell Senate Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Gillibrand,

I am writing to you to ask you to oppose any sort of increase in commercial truck size and weight. Kingston is a vibrant and growing city that prides itself on its commitment to safety, infrastructure maintenance, and the overall well-being of our residents. As a significant transportation corridor, these vehicles already place a heavy burden on our infrastructure, and any increase in truck weights would exacerbate the existing challenges we face.

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The Honorable Charles Schumer  
United States Senate  
322 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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