



**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS, MA  
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March 20, 2019

Adam Turner  
Martha's Vineyard Commission  
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Dear Mr. Turner,

As part of the Oak Bluffs Planning Board's ongoing effort to ensure continuity between the regional and municipal review of the Martha's Vineyard Community Services (MVCS) Campus Plan application, the OBPB seeks to further clarify expectations as it pertains to point 2 of our letter dated March 15, 2019, which reads:

*The Oak Bluffs Fire and Highway departments have indicated that **the geometry of Village Road is not acceptable**. The entire road must be widened, three blind curves must be removed, and lines of sight must be improved at the intersection of Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road. The OBPB is calling for the entire campus design to be moved slightly to the west allowing for increased road design options to be considered, ensuring the safety of the 97 Oak Bluffs residents of Woodside Village.*

Therefore the OBPB expects Village Road to adhere to **527 CMR 1.00: MASSACHUSETTS COMPREHENSIVE FIRE SAFETY CODE, Chapter 18 Fire Department Access and Water Supply requirements.**

[https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/02/02/FEA\\_527%20CMR\\_2015\\_%20unofficial%20Effective%20January%201%2C%202018%20.pdf](https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/02/02/FEA_527%20CMR_2015_%20unofficial%20Effective%20January%201%2C%202018%20.pdf)

We encourage you to condition your decision to address this criteria so that the applicant is held to a consistent standard of safety.

Sincerely,

Ewell Hopkins, Chairperson  
Oak Bluffs Planning Board

CC: Gail Barmakian, *Select Board Chair*; Brian Packish, *Select Board Vice Chair*; Richard Toole, *Martha's Vineyard Commission Hearing Director*; John Rose, *Oak Bluffs Fire Chief*