

Wooldridge, John

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Morning JR:

Met with Mr. and Mrs. Hutchison yesterday. They provided me a counter offer as they cannot understand why we are not buying their home and relocating them? I explained to them without legal reason, i.e., construction of the project was going to actually impact the residence, or locality rule for setback, the State was not inclined to take their residence and force them to move. We discussed at length how the death in their front yard continues to frighten them about the road coming even closer. Mr. Hutchison informed me with agreement from Mrs. Hutchison he had contacted a contractor and to be able to move their bedroom and sitting/TV room, front door and porch it was preliminarily going to cost \$165,000 prior to actual construction being started and plans drawn up to move their living space to the rear of their home. He had not gotten a quote to plant new trees and/or solid fence to protect their home from catapulting vehicles. Mr. Hutchison requested \$200,000 as compensation for the acquisition. I discussed this counter offer with them both and Mr. Hutchison would not waiver. He let me know he would contact the lawyer and get all of his options. At this point, I let them know I would present their counter offer for consideration to my decision makers and get back with them later this week.

Thought I would let you know so you could ponder accepting or rejecting this counter offer. And I know this will shock you, but I lean toward granting the counter offer, these folks are very well known in the community and this removing of their protection, the trees, and their warning sound, the fence breaking, not being able to sit on their porch or use their front door (their words), and the death in the front yard would probably be pretty compelling in appropriations. My best feel was they had already spoken to some attorney, and they know Eichhorn very well, and he uses Goldman and Braunstein...

Thoughts?

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