Objectivity sought in LaSalle study

One of Park LaSalle's most out-spoken foes was "very surprised and pleased" when the Southfield City Council last week ordered developers of the controversial \$100 million proj-ect to submit a community impact statement before starting construc-tion.

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But Fred Doner, president of Con-cerned Citizens of Franklin, said the borne-waters' group will do everything it ca. to make sure the study is done objectively and and that it measures regional as well as local impact.

"I thought they (the city council) were going to let the developers bypass the community impact state-ment. The combined efforts of a lot of individuals and groups made an im-pact on the council." Doner said.

ment. The combined efforts of a lot of individuals and groups made an impact on the council." Doner said. A coalition of 15 homeowner and enviorumental groups had appealed to Gov. William Milliken before last week's council meeting to block convects council meeting to block on the council meeting to be council meeting to b

waiver on the study so work could begin on the first phase of the project. In December. Southfield passed an ordinance requiring developers of large projects to submit community impact statements. Information on traffic enginements of the statements.

DONER SAID concerned citizens and other groups will now direct their efforts to making sure the impact study is done fairly and is regional in nature.

In addition to Franklin and South-field, the study should also address im-pact on Farmington Hills, Bloomfield Township and Bingham Farms, Doner maintained.

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Park LaSalle property is on Twelve
Mile Road, between Telegraph and
Norhtwestern, in Southfield's so-called
"Silver Triangle."

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Doner also expressed concern over a statement by a McLaughlin official reported in the Eccentric last week. The official. Billy S. Turner, said the impact statement could be completed in two weeks since most of the studies

have already been done.
"That's a dangerous attitude,"
Doner charged. "If he thinks he can
do it in two weeks, I can tell you now
it won't be adequate and objective."

officials "to modify the project so it doesn't have such a devastating impact on the region."

Phase one of the project would include a nine-story office-retail building at 12-story apartment building and are soon bodden, health cub and resumed to the such as the such a

Summers pleads innocent in income tax case

Garden City school teacher James Summers last week pleaded not guilty in federal court to three income tax charges

charges.

Summers. of 26705 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, is charged by prosecutors with filing inflated deductions in 1972 and with failing to file income tax returns in 1973 and 1974 on a total gross income of \$31,027.

Summers. 53, was convicted in 1972 of filing false income tax withholding certificates and was sentenced to five years probation and a \$500 fine.

The present charges stem from charitable contribution deductions Summers claimed in 1972. The govern-

ment alleges that Summers claimed \$23,000 of such deductions, while actually making only \$2,350 of deductable contributions, according to the indictment.

Summers also deducted \$600 for medical insurance premiums in 1972, the gavernment charges, while actually paying no medical insurance premiums.

tually paying no medical insurance premimums. In 1973 and 1974, according to the in-dictment. Summers failed to file in-come tax returns at all. Summers faces a total of seven years imprisonment and \$30,000 in fines on the charges. He was unavailable on Friday for comment.

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