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Sent: Monday, August 29, 2016 3:23 PM  
To: Maria Morelli  
Subject: Re:

Thank you, Maria. This is the first word from one close to the process that has addressed what the community expresses. I appreciate your prompt answer. Kent Mitchell

On Mon, Aug 29, 2016 at 10:48 AM, Maria Morelli <mmorelli@brooklinema.gov> wrote:

> Kent:

> The technical peer reviewers have not even submitted testimony to the ZBA. I can assure you that you would be very impressed with the quality of the work conducted by the peer reviewers, when you read their analyses. Scale will most definitively be addressed in these hearings.

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> The ZBA does give much credibility to the community's and staff's testimony; however, it must base its opinion on technical data for its decision to prevail. Otherwise, the applicant's appeal of the ZBA decision could easily be overturned at HAC.

> When the peer reviewers begin submitting testimony, you will indeed hear more discussion among the ZBA about scale, massing, public safety, among other important areas of concern.

> Do not hesitate to call me to discuss this process more fully. I'm

> glad to help, and I assure you the alarm you've expressed is

> understood. Maria

> When responding, please remember the Secretary of State considers e-mail a public record.

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> We, Sara and Kent Mitchell, 62 Fuller St., cannot attend the meeting on August 30.

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> I remain concerned that, despite overwhelming community input at meeting after meeting that the project's scale is simply insulting, no adjustment about this point has ever been suggested by the developers. I was told that what we are seeing is a process. We are seeing the developers' process, not the community's, at this point. Everyone in the room knows how the momentum toward a due date works. Why is the community's overwhelmingly repeated question, the heart of all its questions, their common denominator, so silenced in the discussions we hear? In other meetings among experts and officials, is the point raised? Could anyone report on that, perhaps?

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> Thank you for listening. Kent Mitchell