

From: Beth Kates via email
Sent: Tuesday, April 17, 2018 1:19 AM
To: Maria Morelli
Subject: ZBA Public comment on 1299 Beacon Street

Dear Ms. Morelli and the ZBA,

It is evident that this project is much too large for the parcel for which it is proposed. Seventy-four units and proposed retail will put an undue burden on the neighborhood and create intolerable and unsafe traffic congestion on Beacon Street and Sewall Avenue. The building's proximity to the Coolidge Corner Post Office with its parking demands for mail trucks and employees, as well as to the 2nd largest volume Trader Joe's in the United States, demands that it be considerably decreased in size. Although 1299 fronts on Beacon Street, the rear of the building (and parking exit) abuts a residential neighborhood and Temple Sinai and its school. Traffic in and out of this building would create hazardous conditions for children walking to and from school. The construction of this building would also block egress should there be a fire from abutting buildings/businesses. All of these issues have already been raised regarding the various over-sized and inappropriate proposals that Mr. Dhanda has floated for this site, hotels, condos, etc. These issues necessitate a radical decrease in size and redesign of this project.

Respectfully,

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