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From: Andrea W. Kelley

Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 11:38 AM

To: Andreae Downs; Jason Sobel; Alicia Bowman; Rick Lipof

Cc: Nicole Freedman; Nadia Khan

Subject: Re: Petition #24-20, 66 Winchester Street

Andreae, yes the city councilors should receive this information, perhaps to Land Use Committee members first. We will benefit from Jason Sobel's comments too.

From: Andreae Downs <adowns@newtonma.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 9:31 AM

To: Jason Sobel <jsobel@newtonma.gov>; Alicia Bowman <abowman@newtonma.gov>

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This is very helpful, Jason.

Andrea—should we send this to Nadia to post with the other materials? It may help our colleagues.

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Thanks, Jason

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Best,

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Attachments: Pages from 606635 100% Volume 1.pdf; Pages from 606635 100% Volume 2.pdf

Please share Mr. Sobel's comments with other Land Use members and post to the project page.

I also have a question for the petitioner—can they provide a drawing of how the front parking will be arranged, and how drivers will access those spots?

And can our engineers evaluate the safety of same?

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