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From: David A. Olson

Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2017 2:00 PM

To: citycouncil Cc: Nadia Khan

Subject: FW: Orr Block Proposal

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Sent: Monday, January 30, 2017 7:29 PM

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Newton City Counselors,

I am writing to express my OPPOSITION to granting an Orr Block Special Permit. I believe the scale of the project is much to large for the neighborhood. The height and mass of the building is larger than anything else in the neighborhood and would loom over the abutters.

Furthermore, I believe the addition of so many apartments and parking spaces to the Washington/Walnut corner will create additional traffic congestion in an already busy area. Residents of the project will be leaving the parking lot for their morning commute just as hundreds of children are walking north to Day and south to NNHS. I believe the talk of 'transit oriented development' is disingenuous as the commuter rail and express busses are already at maximum capacity and there is no expectation of more trains or busses in the foreseeable future.

Thank you for hearing my opinion. David Goddeau Newtonville Homeowner 11 Rossmere St Newtonville MA