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Dear Councilors:

Please vote No on the proposal to re-zone the Orr Building and abutting properties. It is way too large for the area, threatens existing low and moderate income housing and nearby single family residences as well.

This development seems aimed at making Newtonville denser, more upscale residential apartments. Please think about what it is going to do to nearby single family homes and businesses.

Businesses need to have convenient customer parking and easy access in order to survive and serve all residents of Newtonville. I often park in front of Karoun's restaurant to go to the Newtonville Camera store. I never have any trouble, and it's in easy walking distance. I loathe parking garages, because I do not feel safe there.

The future precedents that would be set for other blocks of Washington Street should be considered carefully.

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