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I would like to register my opposition to the proposed development at the corner of Washington and Walnut Streets. That intersection is a major East-West/North-South axis and has become increasingly congested, especially during the hours of heavy commuting. Adding the large complex under consideration would only exacerbate the situation. Although plans to deal with the increased traffic have been mentioned, I have read nothing substantive that addresses this matter, or its inherent cost.

In fact, over the years, the already increasing east and west traffic on Washington Street has led many drivers to use Watertown Street as an alternate route. I live on Watertown Street, just east of the intersection with Walnut Street, and daily observe this increase in traffic. It is not unusual for traffic at the intersection of Watertown and Walnut Streets to be backed-up a block or more, especially west-bound.

Not only will the proposed project on Washington Street have an extremely heavy impact on traffic, it will certainly impact other aspects of the city's infra-structure: the condition of its roads, water, sewer, other utilities, and, perhaps most important, an increased population density in an area of the city where the removal of single family houses and replacing them with multi-unit condominiums is already widespread.

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