

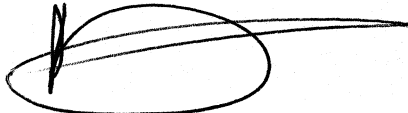
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Councilor Leary:

The Washington Place project is going to benefit Newton by helping to ease the burden of rising housing costs in the area. This burden disproportionately impacts the young and old who inherently struggle with housing-- as well as middle class individuals of any age. Many people I know fit into these categories and are struggling to keep up with the consistent increases in rent that are rising at a staggering rate every year. We need to do something to bring more reasonably priced housing to our area and Washington Place will help do that. The project will also offer a significant beautification and economic redevelopment opportunity for Newtonville with new greenery and space for art displays too. We need this project and the Council ought to vote in favor of any measure that would help Washington Place be built sooner.

Aisha Mayanja

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