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RE: Orr Block Redevelopment

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Washington Place ought to be built sooner rather than later and I hope that the City Council will help enable that. It seems to me that the developer really has their finger on the pulse of Newton based on how they have handled this proposal thus far. They are going above and beyond to make Washington Place appealing to a wide range of Newtonites-- commercial retail on the first floor, apartments above, a public courtyard, large sidewalks with space for vendors and street trees, bike lanes, upgraded pedestrian-friendly traffic management. Washington Place will really revolutionize Newtonville for the better and I strongly support the developer's proposal to move forward on this.

Best wishes,



DR. CLIVE CURRAN