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To: Nadia Khan

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From: On Behalf Of Craig Hammer

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Dear Newton City Council,

As a lifelong Newtonian as well as a prior Newtonville Ave resident I am **totally in favor of Washington Place.**

Not to be disrespectful but the ORR Block is not the most attractive properties. In fact on such a major intersection at Walnut & Washington it is an eyesore.

The plans that have been presented to the board / council are beautiful and would provide much needed rental housing to the Newton Community. Both market rate, affordable and moderately priced apartments are much needed and wanted. People want today's amenities in a safe and lively neighborhood. People want a home where they can walk to work, coffee shops, markets, banks, restaurants etc. All on a commuter rail line for an easy commute to Boston.

Please take this email into consideration when making / recommending your thoughts and decision.

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