

To Councilor Richard Blazar:

The displacement of senior citizens in Newton is a real challenge that we need to tackle head-on. Many people of retirement age are on a fixed income, making it very difficult for them to shoulder any increases in rental costs or property taxes on a home with a much higher assessment than it had decades ago. As a consequence, many people are being forced to live their golden years outside of their hometown and that is unacceptable.

The City Council has been a passionate proponent for building more affordable housing in Newton and I hope you will continue to be just as strong of an advocate by green-lighting the Washington Place proposal in Newtonville. We need more housing projects that focus on keeping people on Newton with middle class rates, and this project will help achieve that. Thank you.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beverly Holzman".

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