

To: Councilor Scott Lennon,
CC: David Olson, Newton City Clerk

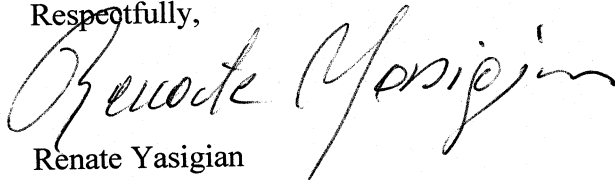
Dear Councilor,

I am writing to express a growing concern in the community about affordable housing and the options (or lack thereof) out there to address the problem. It is a well-known fact that there is not enough affordable housing in Newton, especially for middle class families.

I know this firsthand because I am currently sitting on a waiting list for affordable housing. I can no longer afford to live in my home here in Newton and I know many others who are in the same difficult situation. I hope that I will personally be able to take advantage of the new affordable and middle income units being put forward by the Washington Place development.

Unfortunately, I don't have much time left in my home. But others need help too and I hope the City Council will take bold action by approving Washington Place and other projects like this.

Respectfully,



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