The undersigned neighbors and abutters of the proposed development at 1081 Washington Street urge the Land Use Committee to deny the requested special permit for this site for the following reasons:

1- The developer of this site has been working with the Planning Department since last March, yet made no attempt to contact or meet with the neighborhood until the middle of August. At that meeting he presented a plan that had been fully developed without any input from those most directly affected. This left us little to no time either to study the plans or to engage in a dialogue with the aldermen who will be reviewing it on September 11th.

2- The proposed plan for the site provides inadequate parking. The parking that is provided is on a rear lot that is not visible from the street. The parking waiver being sought by the applicant does not take into account the current parking issues on Washington and adjacent residential streets. The constrained space for cars entering and exiting the parking lot, combined with the lack of street visibility of the lot, will likely result in its limited use by customer and increased parking on already crowded adjacent streets.

3-The proposed project asks for a side setback waiver that will block virtually all the natural light of the adjacent residence leaving that residence with a view of a blank concrete wall. This waiver request is tied to an extension of a non-conforming structure as to yard and setback.

We are not anti-development but feel strongly that a more appropriate design with parking that fully meets zoning requirement on site, would be a much better solution for this site and the neighborhood.

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