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Hi Karen,

As residents of Chesley Drive in Durham, in very close proximity to the Plaza, we wanted to share our thoughts on the current redevelopment 'plan'.

First, it is more than disconcerting that the town has chosen to disregard 30+ years of community input on Plaza redevelopment plans by holding a 'blank slate review' of the plan we have in front of us. That is a striking dis-service and a slap in the face to members of a community paying among the highest property taxes in the State of NH. We deserve to have our voices heard, in good faith, without having to say the same thing time and time again, month after month, year after year. It feels as though the goal of town administration is to stifle community comments by making it un-necessarily difficult to get our voices heard. How many times have comments been solicited by the town on this issue, and yet we're not going to consider any of them, regardless of relevance or merit? Stifling the voices of the community you serve is no way to deal with the people you share that community with. It is corrosive to trust, and only serves to diminish the closeness of the community.

On the merits of the current plan it is clear that it falls short of addressing nearly all of the conditional uses **by adding traffic, noise, light, odors, trash, etc. to the adjacent neighborhood. On top of this it clearly does not support any of the core town goals of "a positive economic, fiscal, public safety, environmental, aesthetic, and social impact on the town".**

I appreciate the opportunity to provide input to this process, again, and hope the board applies the conditional use criteria according to established NH law, requiring the applicant to address ALL conditional use criteria, not just a subset that the board alone feels is enough.

Sincerely,
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