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To: Michael Behrendt Subject: plans for plaza

Hi Michael,

At my age and with my physical condition, I am not able to do much in response to what I have read and heard concerning the proposals for Mill Plaza development. So now I add my voice to those who have raised alarms and opposition to such proposals as more student housing at a time when the need is decreasing, substantial removal of existing hillside and vegetation to make room for too tall buildings, and vegetation removal that will result in more storm runoff than the site and creek can safely handle.

Also, the aesthetics of the proposed development leaves much to be desired. This is what happens when we rely on developers rather than good local architects fo design such a project.

I have the feeling of spitting into the wind; but at least I can have my say, having been displeased all along with what seems in store for us instead of what could be a beautiful as well as functional downtown center.

I hope you will convey my one more dissatisfied resident comment to the planning board.

I welcome your response should you feel the need to "set me straight."

My best wishes to you at this trying time.

Neal Ferris