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To: Durham Planning Board

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Re: Required Parking Spaces at Mill Plaza

Watching the deliberations over parking spaces required with the Mill Plaza application is like watching a boxer fight with one hand tied behind his back. You have Hannaford saying they want some unspecified number of spaces, then you have the developer saying they want some unspecified number spaces, and last you have a proposal for a second parking lot for 19-21 Main Street.

In all this discussion -- over six and a half years, now -- I have never heard how many spaces are needed. Hannaford never said how many spaces it requires, Colonial Durham Associates has never said how many spaces it needs for areas other than requested by Hannaford.

Last, why are we even talking about 19-21 Main Street -- upon which the Plaza application depends for parking -- without knowing the parking needs for the Plaza development? To me, it looks like the tail is wagging the dog when relying on vague statements from Mill Plaza and Hannaford.

How can the Planning Board make decisions and plan without knowing the actual numbers for each party and the reasoning behind those numbers? To properly plan you need real numbers. If the applicants don't supply those numbers, then go by the requirements of the zoning ordinance and site plan regulations. **Remember, these numbers will satisfy the Settlement Agreement.** If those number are not acceptable to Hannaford and Mill Plaza, then push them to give and explain their numbers.

Again, it is like a boxer with his hands tied behind his back trying to do a proper job.