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Public Hearing

Subject:

RE: JULY 15/14 6PM PERMIT HEARING - 1155 THURLOW STREET

The contact started for me when I was sent an email from the City in early July stating that I had previously registered comments about the development and was invited to attend.

Although I cannot seem to find the original email sent (right around Feb17/14), I saved the content as follows:

"What gives me cause for concern is the obvious lack of parking for this development. This issue seems to be a constant theme in development applications I have seen in the past. Whatever standard is being followed is just not sufficient for the West End community.

There are a total of 213 housing units on top of retail space / church / preschool. The proposition falls short in the amount of 80 parking spaces just for housing units, nothing for visitors or any of the businesses proposed in the application. Regarding limited parking, the West End street permit parking is entirely 'over-taxed' with the City adopting the practice of issuing as many parking permits for the West End as there are applicants, not basing it on the total spots available in West End. In addition, there are very few pay-per-hour parking garages located in the West End.

I understand development is going to continue in this prime area. I am quite sure there are some rules developers have to follow to determine minimum parking. If this application is following those rules, they are not valid for this high density area and change is absolutely necessary when considering development in the West End. I strongly believe that the developer needs to take not just more, but TOTAL responsibility in their designs for parking to fully support the development monstrosities they propose to build! If you are going to substantially increase traffic and the resulting issues from that, you should be part of the solution, not the creator of the problem for your \$\$\$ benefit."

I hope this helps!

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