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Subject: 65 Munjoy Street

Good morning Nell--

My name is Jan-Marie Lindholm and I live at 52 Moody Street right behind the proposed project. I've been in touch with some of my neighbors regarding this project and to say that I'm not upset is the understatement of the year. I left the neighborhood meeting regarding this project in almost tears. It was noted in the minutes that my fears were assuaged from meeting with the developer. That is not accurate.

Here are my concerns:

--Parking is a serious problem currently on Moody Street. By adding another 8 units with only one parking space, you are only compounding the problem. What about snow ban parking? This parking lot is utilized by the owners of 52, 54, 56, and 58 Moody and nearby neighbors that currently don't have a parking space.

--The proposed building is 3 stories and does not fit in with the aesthetics of the neighborhood. Our building and the apartment on Wilson is only 2 stories. The building would be able to look into our windows very easily. Our privacy would be compromised.

--The building would block any light coming into our home. We have paid a lot of money for our home and now this project may cause us to move.

--The construction phase would be a serious disruption to us in every way.

--The lack of transparency in this process has been seriously troubling.

I know Portland is in dire need of affordable housing, but the need is more apartment buildings, not more condominiums.

My hometown is changing so rapidly that professionals like myself will be moving out in droves. It will no longer be a city of native Portlanders, but individuals from Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New York. I'm asking you as a courtesy to please think about the surrounding homeowners and please add my comments to the public record.

Sincerely,

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