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Application ED#2015-169 or CBL#019 B020001

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Wed, May 25, 2016 at 1:38 PM

Hello Nell Donalson

I am a condo owner living at 207 Fore St. in Portland. Currently, I have a beautiful view of Casco Bay. This view will more likely than not, be totally obstructed with the development of this hotel. I realize that my losing a view may not be a valid objection to the building of a hotel; however, there are some other concerns that I would like to raise.

This hotel will bring 180 new vehicles into and out of this neighborhood each day. The only way to access the hotel is via Fore St. Fore St. is narrow in this area and a turn around with traffic darting over to the parking garage will be dangerous and a hazard.

The majority of the traffic will come to the hotel from Franklin St. turning onto Fore St. The intersection of India and Fore St. is not equipped to handle the additional daily traffic. We now have a 4 way stop situation at this intersection. I am not in favor of a stop light there. Traffic will back up on Fore St. preventing exiting and entering the existing Hampton Inn Hotel.

Careful conversation needs to be given to the design of the hotel and buy in should be obtained from the India St. Neighborhood Association and the Historical Society.

I ask that you keep me in the loop, on the mailing list etc. for any activity on this site. I apologize for not attending the Public Hearing last evening as I had a conflict. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

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Wed, May 25, 2016 at 3:13 PM

Paula,

Thanks for this email. I'm sorry that you weren't able to attend the hearing, and I'm sorry that I didn't receive this in time to get it to the Planning Board in lieu of your attendance.

The project was approved unanimously by the Planning Board at the hearing last night. There was substantial discussion about trip generation and traffic movement, pedestrian safety, and the building design. Ultimately, our reviewers and the board found that the applicant has met the city's site plan standards, although there are several conditions of approval which the applicant will be required to meet in advance of receiving a building permit to begin construction on the project.

The applicant has indicated their intent to submit plans for several additional buildings on the Fore/Hancock/Thames/India Street block in the near future. I will be sure to notify you via email when those plans come in. Hopefully you can be involved with those projects from the outset. In the meantime, I will forward your email on to the applicant so that they are aware of these concerns as they consider their future plans.

We appreciate your comments and we'll be in touch.

Best,
Nell

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Thank you for your quick response. I appreciate it... I will be more diligent about attending future meeting.

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