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Since I will not be able to attend the Planning Board meeting this week, I'd like to submit 3 additional concerns that were not included in my previous email.

1. Side walk size - the pedestrian traffic on either side of India St. is especially heavy in the summer and early fall when there are so many visitors. The building should be set back further from the street. The sidewalk requirements should be modified to safely accommodate the pedestrians.
2. Automobile traffic - The condo, hotel and business construction in the India St. area has increased greatly in the past couple of years. All that construction has brought people and cars to the area. The traffic study that was included in the hotel's proposal was not current. A new traffic study, including the traffic from the new Marriott hotel, the new condo on Thames St, the proposed new business office next to the new Marriott hotel, the new business building on Middle St. behind the Gateway Garage, and the new building for approximately 2000 Wex employees should be required before the construction is approved.
3. Canyoning - The areas on India and Hancock Streets are starting to resemble the canyon streets that are common in large cities like New York. I don't think we want that look in our neighborhood. A 6 story building, rising straight up from the sidewalk along India St. is too high and too flat. The city should request some set backs and perhaps a building with fewer stories.

The green space that will be lost due to the building is a huge concern for us but that has been addressed by many others.

Thank you for your consideration of my concerns.

Susan Murphy

Sent from my iPhone  
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