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Hi Vin,

Please post.

Thanks

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Dear ZBA Members,

I am writing to express my support for the mixed use/multi-family housing proposed for 1021-1025 Mass. Ave. The fifty homeownership units will provide needed housing and different housing than is widely available in Arlington. Homeowners and empty nesters wanting to downsize have few options available because Arlington has relatively few condominiums. And the 13 affordable condos will provide opportunities for moderate income and diverse households who have few options today.

Arlington and the Boston region face a chronic housing shortage that is not being addressed by the current zoning, which incentivizes replacing single family homes with McMansions and nothing else. It can only be addressed with multi-family housing that produces a net increase of housing on a lot. This site is an excellent one for multi-family housing, with its access to public transportation and services. This is exactly what the Town should be promoting to address our local and regional housing shortage.

I appreciate the Board's careful consideration of this and other projects. This one in particular I think can have a positive impact on the housing market in Arlington, both the market rate and the affordable units. It is badly needed.

Sincerely,
Laura Wiener
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Sent from my iPad