

September 25, 2017

To whom it may concern:

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this note, I realize how busy you all are. This is just a note that I would like to send along to you regarding your zoning decisions for 10 Waushakum Avenue.

I realize that you have been through a lot in our neighborhood recently and I appreciate your time and effort to make everything right and everyone happy. Not an easy task for sure. I know that a lot of the concern from other neighbors have been the size of the home that they are trying to build. I just wanted to say that there are many homes in our neighborhood of that same height and I do not seem to think that it should matter as much as they are saying. The home on 7 Washington Avenue is a very high home and oddly enough, it is the exact same size lot as the one at 10 Waushakum. Going down the street, #24 Washington and several homes on Lakeside Drive are very high with very small lots. I am sure that some of these people had to go to the zoning board to get approval and that is exactly what this man is doing. Our neighborhood as you know is very, very old and 90% of the lots are small, and obviously not up to code for 2017 but when they were purchased years ago, they were. That is why we have "special permits, variances" etc. to try to seek help on how we can complete a project on our properties.

I actually think that it would improve our neighborhood to allow, within reason, this gentleman to build his home there. Asthetically, it would look much better than what is there now and help to raise the values of our homes and have it not look so run down. It would be a win, win situation if somehow, they could be allowed to build there. I am afraid that this man may become frustrated with some of the neighbors not backing him and sell the property and who knows who or what could go there being a commercial lot.

A lot of us homeowners in the area are trying to improve our properties and this would serve us well. Maybe some of the neighbors should focus on the house next to the used car dealer on Pond Street and Rodman Road before it falls down on someone!

Thank you again for your time and all you do for the Town.

Sincerely,

Ann MacKay

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