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Subject: Lodge - Shingle Hill Letter

Dear Chairperson,

I am writing to voice concern over the proposed Shingle Hill development.

I live very close to the site, and while I have numerous concerns, the best reason to not let this project proceed, is that projects developed under 40B are still meant to fit-in to the town's existing character. This project will really change the aesthetic of driving and walking in that beautiful area, and a project of this scale just doesn't make sense in our small town.

Aside from the damage to the natural beauty, I worry about the increased traffic on school street. The sidewalks are already slim near ECC and there's lots of traffic, and I hate to think how much worse it will be with hundreds more pedestrians and increased traffic.

Lastly, blasting and construction is going to be a mess, especially for me. I probably live closest to the site of anyone in town, and I really worry about my concrete foundation being safe as they clear all that rock away from shingle hill.

I trust you'll act in the best interest of the town, and as far as I can tell, most residents would prefer not to going down the slippery slope of starting to introduce large apartment buildings to our town.

Kindest regards,

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