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Acton Planning Board  
472 Main St.  
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**RE: Residences at Quail Ridge**

Dear Board Members,

I am sending this letter as an update to the issue of a landscaping buffer between the proposed Residences and the abutting properties of Acorn Park. As discussed at the October 23 meeting, and referenced in the applicant's response to staff comments of October 19, the developer has offered to work with us to add a suitable buffer to the plan. Thus far, while we have had preliminary contact with the developer's landscape architect, we have not yet discussed specific changes to the plans as proposed. I expect these discussions to take place over the next several weeks.

Given that this issue remains open, I am requesting that the Planning Board hold off on approval of the proposed plans until they are updated to reflect a suitable landscaping plan for buffering between the new development and the existing neighbors.

Thank you,

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Abutter, and Landscape Chairperson, Acorn Park Board