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To: Board of Selectmen
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Hello BoS,

A few comments after last night's hearing:

1. I was one of the neighbors who advocated for moving the 3 houses on the property to Martin Street. The original plan called for a large, squarish apartment building in the spot where the houses are now planned to be situated. That would have been completely out of context with the neighborhood. It was thought that having the historic homes located along the street would be more in keeping with the character of the neighborhood and partially shield the view of the development behind.

2. That said, given that the developer has question of feasibility of moving the houses, I would ask that any assessment and determination of said feasibility be determined by an INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT and not one that is hired by, paid for, or in any way beholden to the developer.

3. I echo others concerns about a) density, b) flooding, and c) design/materials. While technically this is "average" density, that factors in the 7+ acres that are not buildable. I urge anyone who is in a position to influence this project (Planning Board, DRB, BoS, etc.) to visit the Wildflower Meadows development in Littleton and consider how this level of density could possibly be a fit for South Acton.

Respectfully,

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Do the thing and you shall have the Power
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Ralph Waldo Emerson