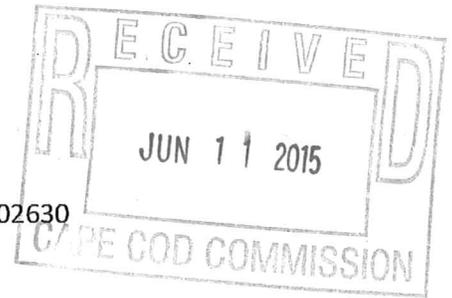


Date: June 5, 2015

From: Ken Buessler, 158 Lakeview Ave. Falmouth, MA 02540

To: The Cape Cod Commission, 3225 Main St., PO Box 226, Barnstable, MA 02630

RE: Springhill Suites by Marriot, 556 Main Street, Falmouth, MA



I am a resident of Falmouth and attended your hearing on May 26th in Falmouth regarding plans to build the Springhill Suites complex by Marriot on 556 Main St. After the presentations it was clear that there was universal concern about traffic (no actual data were collected) and the scale and design of the building being out of character for this neighborhood. What I want to bring up is the presentation from the proponent and the Commission staff that suggested many benefits for the residents of Falmouth. A comment was made that such benefits needed to be weighed against the impacts. My comment is that **I don't see how a design that includes no space that is accessible to the public, can be considered a public benefit.** Unlike space that includes shops, restaurants or other establishments open to the public as part of the plan, all of the internal space and external patio are for the private use of hotel guests only. So as a Falmouth resident and non-guest, I see no public benefit and this should be considered in your decision to approve or not this project.

Sincerely, Ken Buessler