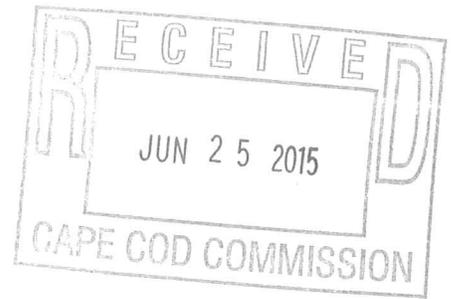


June 23, 2015

Att: Subcommittee
Cape Cod Commission
P.O. Box 226
Barnstable, MA 02630



Re Springhill Suites by Marriott

This letter is to protest the application to build a Marriott Suites hotel on Main Street Falmouth.

I have a major issue with the ludicrous traffic report that most grossly underestimated the number of vehicles that the Fay properties currently generate. I hope that Ms Flynn will recognize the failings of the traffic study that was not a study at all and just some hocus-pocus manipulation of data that might be better suited to a fairy tale city.

I question the "benefits" of this project to our town,

1. It does not meet the neighborhood's goals for redevelopment, the proposed building is way too oversized for anything on Main Street and I would include the entire length of Main St. from Rte. 28 to the Mashpee line.
2. The present "blighted" site is only blighted because of the Fay's intentional neglect. A little grass seed and flowers would greatly enhance the lot.
3. Presently, the sidewalks in front of the Fay properties are in excellent condition and need no repair.
4. Many of the 6,000+ tax payer residents of Precincts 1 and 2 do not support an increase in tourism and added traffic on Main Street in particular.
5. There certainly is no indication that local contractors would be enlisted in this project and realistically, the would-be project is much more than our local construction people could handle. Many of the hotel workers presently employed in Falmouth are foreign nationals, imported and housed to serve their place of employ and contribute little of their earnings back to our community sending much of what they earn back to their families abroad.
6. There rarely is a stormwater issue on the Fay property, certainly nothing compared to often flooded Surf Drive road which would be one of the alternative routes to bypass Main Street traffic.

I feel the negatives to this project far outweigh any potential benefits for the citizens of Falmouth.

Many in my family were residents of Boston's West End and I remember well what they suffered from Boston Redevelopment and the taking of their houses and places of residence all in the name of "redevelopment" to which those of us who remember say Never Again!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra L. Botbol".

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