

## Scott Gustin

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**From:** Ashley M Bond <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 12, 2018 3:56 PM  
**To:** Scott Gustin  
**Cc:** Bond,,,, James Bond  
**Subject:** 15-17 Weston Appeal

Hi Scott,

James and I fully support the Code Enforcement notice of violation for 15-17 Weston that was originally on the schedule for December 18. I see that they have asked for a deferral until February 5th. We appreciate your support as we all continue to manage and balance needs to maintain the diversity in our city neighborhoods.

Thank you,

James and Ashley Bond  
51 Henry Street

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Mags Conant [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 12, 2018 10:37 PM  
**To:** Scott Gustin  
**Subject:** Appeal of NOV 345151

In regards to:

2. 19-0436AP; 15-17 Weston St (RL, Ward 8E) Phillip Irwin Aaron Appeal of NOV 345151 relating to occupancy of a dwelling by more than 4 unrelated adults (Project Manager: Jeanne Francis).

*I strongly endorse the city's enforcement action on the 15-17 Weston St property and ask that the Design Review Board uphold the Notice of Violation, thus denying the appeal.*

As a 40 year resident/property owner at 69 Mansfield Ave who lived through years of similar abuse of ordinances by the former landlord of 4 neighboring properties adjacent to ours, I know how important it is for the city to enforce its rules if we want to protect our neighborhoods. Before the Mansfield Ave landlord sold his 4 properties, the over-occupied houses' front lawns had cars parked on them all year, and frequent parties that went late into the night. Once the landlord sold the houses and young couples bought 3 of them to live in, our block became a welcoming family-friendly neighborhood, with homeowners who greatly improved their properties and children who could enjoy their shared backyards on Mansfield, Loomis and North Prospect. If we hold landlords to the standards the city has set for legal occupancy numbers, young couples will have greater access to housing options in Burlington. Our city needs young people to buy homes and settle here to keep its vibrancy.

Thank you for your service to our city.

Margaret Conant  
69 Mansfield Ave.

Sent from my iPhone

Dec. 16, 2018

To: The Burlington Development Review Board

Re: Appeal of NOV at 15-17 Weston Street

Dear Board members,

We write in support of the Notice of Violation issued by the city to the owners of 15-17 Weston Street, for housing five unrelated individuals in a single dwelling unit.

We understand the owners have appealed and urge the board to reject that appeal. We also understand that the burden of proof lies on the property owner, and urge the board to require documentation of any claims he makes.

Our home is just around the corner from 15-17 Weston, and we can attest to the dilapidated exterior condition of the property. That's relevant, we believe, because the more unrelated people crammed into a space, the great likelihood there is for damage, wear-and-tear, accumulated trash and the like. Such dilapidation is bad for the occupants, bad for the neighborhood, bad for other, law-abiding, landlords – and bad for the city.

This board is familiar with the fragile condition of the Henry-Weston street neighborhood, where only the existence of the no-more-than-four-unrelated ordinance – and its careful enforcement – protects the balance between owner-occupied and student rentals.

We understand this appeal is to be deferred until Feb. 5. We don't understand why such a deferral should be necessary, but if it is granted, we would like the opportunity to testify by telephone during the public hearing on Feb. 5, as we will not be in Burlington on that date.

Sincerely,  
Candace Page and Hamilton Davis  
26 Henry St.  
Burlington

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**From:** krbygr17 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 17, 2018 12:56 PM  
**To:** Scott Gustin  
**Subject:** 15-17 Weston Street

Hi Scott,

I hope this email is not too late to submit.

I would like to you to stand along side the Longs and also support Bill Ward . This dwelling has been a problem far too long. It is up for sale and I believe is being falsely advertised. We have to put a halt to more than four to a household to prevent any more destruction of our neighborhoods.

Thank you for submitting my letter. I am unable to come to the meeting.

Respectfully,

Nancy Kirby  
339 Colchester Ave.  
Burlington, Vt. 05401

Sent from Samsung tablet.