

Mary O'Neil

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To: Mary O'Neil
Subject: Colchester Avenue Project

Hello Mary,

I am writing to you to express my concerns about the Colchester Avenue development project being proposed at Colchester Avenue and Fletcher Place. I would appreciate your posting this email to be included with public comments on this issue.

I live in a condominium at River Watch on Riverside Avenue. This is just down the hill from Fletcher Place. Currently we have a problem with storm water run-off. There is a catch basin on the River Watch property that is supposed to hold and filter run-off. However, since this complex was built, there has also been increased construction on the hills above us. The catch basin was cleaned two years ago at a cost of more than \$13,000.00. It appears that it may need to be cleaned out again this year. Currently the cost of this clean-up is the sole responsibility of the homeowners at River Watch. I am very concerned that additional building on the hill above River Watch will result in soil erosion and additional storm water run-off.

Another concern I have is that there has been dumping on one of the properties at Fletcher Place for many, many years. No one knows what has been dumped there, not even the former owner of the property, and up until now the developer has refused to do any soil testing.

Another concern is the loss of wetlands and green space. We have far too little green space left in Burlington. Building a 75-unit complex will eliminate even more. Without this green space, even more storm water run-off will be coming down into the River Watch complex.

My final concern is what a development of this size will do to the traffic on Colchester Avenue. The developer is saying there will be little impact, but I find that very hard to believe. Adding 75 additional vehicles going in and out near the hospital entrance will have a large, negative impact on traffic.

I do not have an objection to development at Fletcher Place; however, I am deeply concerned that the current proposed project is far too large for the size of the property.

Thank you for your assistance.

Theresa R. Lefebvre