

Kathryn,

Thank you for your comments.

Best,
Jenny

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On Mar 19, 2019, at 7:54 PM, Kathryn Sievers <kathrynsievers@gmail.com>
wrote:

Dear Arlington Redevelopment Board,

Thank you for your long and thoughtful labors in pursuit of a more dynamic and inclusive Arlington, increasing our housing stock in a way that enriches all of Arlington.

I have seen many "contractor specials" go up that created *larger* houses but not usually better housing for the community. The new Housing Production Plan, on the other hand, incentivizes developing Arlington in a way that enriches all of us, not just the people who live in the newly-created housing. It paves the way for private money to develop Arlington in a way that cultivates a more vibrant community, and hopefully welcomes a more diverse income set to Arlington as well.

Prior to buying my home in Arlington Heights in 2015 I rented in Brookline for six years. My small accommodations were a delight to me, despite not being forever mine, and I contributed to the community in meaningful ways. I welcome the addition of more people to Arlington (people who choose Arlington have great taste!), particularly in denser buildings along the Mass Ave corridor. I want to see more people on the sidewalks, in the restaurants, in the shops, riding the bus, and enjoying the library with me. Our local businesses will further flourish, more businesses will be able to come, and regular people like you and me and our new future neighbors will have an even more wonderful place to call home because of each other.

I'm looking forward to this change!

Sincerely,

Kathryn Sievers
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