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Mr. Bunnell, I live in Arlington on High Haith Rd. I'm writing to object to the proposed changes to reduce set backs, increase heights, reduce yard requirements, etc. for business and mixed use zones. I especially oppose Article 8 which eliminates open space and counts roof tops and balconies as green space—I find this to be shameful. I don't see any strict requirements for affordable housing, which is listed as the reason for the changes. Arlington does not have wide enough sidewalks and road space to support 5 story buildings without creating an unpleasant, street canyon environment. Shadows from these buildings, increased traffic, increased pressures on schools and utilities have not been addressed. These proposals seem only to benefit developers, landlords and real estate agents. I fear people living in existing apartments will be forced out as properties are sold to developers. I strongly oppose these measures. I also fear Article 15 will increase the likelihood of tear downs, another real problem that needs to be addressed. My overriding concern is the preservation of the character of Arlington. I believe these proposals don't do that.