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Subject: 117 Broadway Special Permit: Absence of Open Space

Dear ARB Members,

I noticed that the special permit for 117 Broadway is on your agenda this evening for final plan review and approval. It is not clear from your agenda whether you will be accepting public comment at the meeting. Thus I am submitting these comments in writing and ask that they be made part of the official docket for this special permit. Please read the following at the meeting:

From the drawings that have been made publicly available, it does not appear that the development proposed for 117 Broadway contains any usable open space as defined in Arlington's Zoning Bylaw and it likely does not comply with the landscaped open space requirement either. I therefore wish to raise my strong objection to the ARB's approval of the plans for this development until and unless the applicant demonstrates compliance with both the usable and landscaped open space standards of the bylaw.

As you are aware, the ARB has no authority to waive these open space requirements. It is incumbent on all of you to ensure that the town's Zoning Bylaw be enforced with integrity for all applicants, and I expect you to do so for this application.

Sincerely,

Christopher Loreti
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p.s. to Marie Krepelka: Please distribute this to all Select Board Members as it is also their responsibility to ensure that the town's bylaws are enforced as written and equally for everyone.