

Dear Zoning Board Members,

As an East Arlington resident, I'd like to voice my strong objection to the proposed Mugar development. There are SO many reasons for this:

- We're in a flood zone. If you've never had to wake up every three hours to pump out your basement to save the heating systems you can't quite appreciate this! It's impossible to work out of the house and deal with a flood. During flooding our streets are like rivers.
- This is an area with a lot of wildlife. I've seen multiple deer as well as more usual creatures here.
- The Hardy School just put in an addition because it's bursting at the seams. The afterschool program can no longer accommodate all applicants. It can't accommodate the influx. This is already a densely populated area.
- The traffic on Lake street already is ridiculous. Again - if your commute has not included a trip down Lake between 4 and 6:00 pm you can't appreciate it.
- We need to preserve our open spaces!

Best,  
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