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Subject: Chase Bank proposal objection

To: <acarter@town.arlington.ma.us>

Dear Ali,

I am one of many residents deeply disappointed to learn that the beautiful spot formerly occupied by Not Your Average Joe's in Arlington Center is soon to become yet another bank. A big corporate bank- Chase. Bank of America is already in the same building. Furthermore a quick google search tells me there are already 29 physical banking locations (branches and/or ATM) in Arlington for a population of less than 50k in 2021, an online banking age.

Can't anything be done by town officials and the property owner to work together to select/attract a tenant that will contribute to the vibrancy of our community, especially in that key area?

The RDB hearing for this proposal is on 9/27 and I understand they will have very little power to oppose it.

I look forward to hearing from you on what to do next to advocate this tenant not move forward and other solutions be explored that will benefit the community and still provide the owner with rental income.

I understand Lexington changed its zoning laws in 2016 to limit banks and the like in their downtown areas. Is that being considered in Arlington?

Thank you,
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