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Subject: September 11 MBTA Communities Overlay Meeting Public Comment

We are writing to oppose the current plan for the MBTA Communities Overlay District. The proposed change to zoning allows for significantly more development than required by law, which threatens to overdevelop neighborhoods and alter the character of the town as a livable urban community. Although we recognize the goals of providing more housing are important, we also must recognize that Arlington is the 9th most densely populated town in the state and already providing a reasonable amount of housing options to the region. We recommend the Arlington Redevelopment Board rework the proposal to provide the minimum required changes under the law.

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