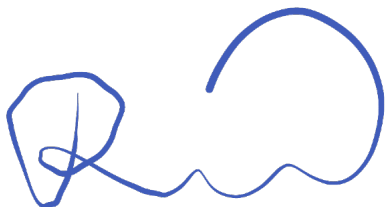


To the Land Use Committee of the Newton City Council:

I wish to express my support for Northland's proposal to develop a wonderful residential and commercial project in the Upper Falls. This project will provide the community with 123 affordable rental units, 9 acres of active and passive green space, a playground, mass transit, new retail options, new tax revenue, and the list goes on.

There is also an important environmental/sustainability factor to consider. It is well known that large concrete-top parking lots are terrible for the environment. By replacing that lot (along with the large abandoned warehouse that was once the Clarks shoe factory) with a smart-growth development with sustainable building practices utilized throughout, along with a large footprint of new green space, we can ensure this piece of land lives up to its full potential while simultaneously doing the right thing by our environment. This project is an important win-win for Newton.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized, cursive name that appears to be 'Krisztina Bukur-Doczy'.

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