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To: City Council
Cc: Lopez, Donna
Subject: master plan and moratorium

Dear City Councillors,

I'm pleased you are working together and hopeful there will be a Master Plan you can agree on but I am concerned that, even if there is consensus, by the time it is ready to be implemented it will be like closing the barn door after the cows have escaped; the damage will be done and we'll be over built - with massive traffic, parking, access, pedestrian and bike issues that will be hard to fix.

Furthermore, I wonder what incentive there is to agree on and implement a Master Plan if development is permitted to continue while we wait for that to happen.

I ask for a moratorium on further contracts until there is a plan that addresses pedestrian and bike access across all the boundaries that currently exist (Fresh Pond Parkway, Rt 2, the train tracks), and that addresses the rampant development that is ruining our skyline, clogging our roads, and scarifying our resident street parking.

I also ask for a review of zoning - down zoning some of the commercial areas, encouraging attractive and useful retail at street level (not banks and mattress stores), a review of density and building heights, and encouragement of green roofs.

Please let's not solve one problem by creating many more problems we will have to live with and then try and solve those issues down the road. Let's STOP and make smart choices rather than let entropy take over.

Many thanks
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