

**Cosgrove, Marybeth**

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This proposal is a very bad idea, and it's connected to an even worse idea, stopping development in Cambridge. I know Council Members overwhelmingly hear from the NIMBY's but rest assured there are tons of us in Cambridge who understand that it's short-sighted and anti-environmental for us to resist change and development. It's also foolish in Cambridge, a city filled with people who have cultivated their own forms of excellence and expertise, to strip power away from an expert board.

Sincerely,

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