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**From:** Polly Attwood [polly.attwood@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 29, 2012 7:11 PM  
**To:** City Council  
**Cc:** Lopez, Donna  
**Subject:** Please VOTE NO to Zoning Changes

Dear Cambridge City Councilors --

I write to you as a Cambridge resident of some 32 years, and 31 of those years I lived at 159 Hancock St and lived much of my daily life in relation to Central Square.

I am distressed by the sudden vote tomorrow/Monday, July 30 to set aside zoning rules for a bio lab and large building to be built in Central Square.

I do not think this building will benefit Central Square nor is it consistent with the character and strengths of Central Square -- an area of small businesses, many of them local, local theater and restaurants, and surrounded and near to residential areas.

This large bio lab building will not only bring additional traffic and congestion, pollution and noise, but it will take up space much needed for more affordable housing. **Housing costs continue to rise in Cambridge and without continued careful planning, middle and low income individuals and families will be pushed out of Cambridge.**

I want us to preserve the neighborhood feel of Central Square and find ways to encourage and develop small businesses that will enable the area to continue to thrive. I understand that the Central Square Advisory will be bringing a thoughtful set of recommendations to the City Council in the Fall.

**I STRONGLY URGE YOU ALL TO PLEASE NOT VOTE THROUGH THESE SUDDEN CHANGES IN ZONING UNTIL YOU HEAR FROM THAT ADVISORY IN THE FALL.**

**Thank you, Polly F. Attwood**

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