

100 Fore Street - Hamilton Marina/Xpress Copy Building

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Dear Members of the Planning Board and staff of the Portland Government:

Please do not permit a variance in the ordinance to allow a 600 unit garage next to the Wex development.

Emphasis should be placed on limiting traffic congestion and getting the new companies to development more thoughtful plans for helping their employees and visitors to arrive via commuter vans, and other forms of mass transit.

This will the end provide a less polluted, less congested Portland waterfront and city in general with less air pollution and stress.

There is a lot going on and a lot of pressure on all of you to give in to the interests of these large developments. But sensible decisions now will make for a better city for everyone in future years.

Yes of course there should be provisions for parking but it doesn't have to be over the top. It is OK for you to set some limits and let the developing company figure out options for reducing congestion and pollution.

Please also consider limiting the height of these developments for the sake of everyone's viewspace including you very proximal neighbor's on the edge of Munjoy Hill.

Sincerely

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