

24 St. Lawrence St.

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Dear board members, I live at 16 St. Lawrence St., and I want you to know that I support the proposal to tear down the old house at 24 St. Lawrence St. and build five condos. It is the highest and best use for the property in that zone, and the owners have gone to great lengths to satisfy the city's demands.

If these owners choose not to renovate a home that is near the end of its useful life, that makes perfect sense to me. I've renovated some old buildings in Portland, and it is difficult, expensive and time-consuming.

I have the highest regard for my neighbors who have restored the beautiful old buildings on the Hill, but this is not one of those buildings.

The Hill has multi-unit buildings on every street, and from every architectural era. That is surely part of its attraction.

I support my neighbor's investment of \$2.4 million into their property, and I will give a warm welcome to the new neighbors when they arrive.

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