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## Fwd: 33-37 Montreal Street

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Wed, Oct 17, 2018 at 10:17 AM

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From: **Beth Snyder** <snyderbes@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Oct 16, 2018 at 6:14 PM

Subject: 33-37 Montreal Street

To: <dga@portlandmaine.gov>

Dear Deb Andrews,

I'm writing you this evening because I can't attend the public hearing tomorrow to discuss 33-37 Montreal Street.

I live at [81 North Street](#) and frequently walk the side streets to the Eastern Prom -- Quebec St, Melbourne St and Montreal St. As I walk down the hill on one of these streets, the houses 'step down' as the street declines and they create a cohesive structure to the street.

I'm very concerned about the proposed construction plan for 33-37 Montreal. Its scale and mass are excessive for the street. It would dwarf its neighbors.

I've heard arguments posed that the large apartment complex on Walnut acts as a precedent. I don't see the point of citing bad examples as reasons to proceed and add to a smaller collection of unappealing architecture on Munjoy Hill.

If anything, when planning new construction, we in the City of Portland should set our sites high and look for ways to beautify our neighborhood.

Thank you for considering my concerns,  
Beth Snyder

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