
Workshop this evening about 33 and 37 Montreal Street development

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I am a resident of Monjoy Hill and at the last minute I am unable to attend the meeting tonight. I want to say that I am very upset at the thought of this building degrading the beauty and livability of this wonderful neighborhood. You have heard all the objections so I need not repeat them.

I hope you all have been to this site. You will find that although the very large and out of place grey building is visible as you face these properties, it is very ugly and not something we want to emulate. Down the street is the group of 2 story brick buildings that are not in character with the Hill but are nowhere nearly as offensive as the proposed structure and should not be an excuse for this building.

You will also find that across the street, on both Montreal and Willis, there are many lovely renovations going on that protect the character of the neighborhood. There is a very beautiful garden directly across the street that the owner could sell to developers if the only important aim in the neighborhood is to make money.

The size and mass of this structure has not been changed in this 3rd submission. And the architecture is in no way compatible with the surrounding properties.

I live on Quebec St, close to Merrill. As you know Merrill has already been severely degraded by the buildings that slipped under the timeline for the Munjoy Hill Moratorium.

Please preserve the character and livability of Munjoy Hill.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. You have all worked very hard to listen to all sides.

Sincerely,
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