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Subject: Proposal to Rezoning N. Prospect Town parking lot

Dear members of the Planning Board

Please plan first before taking any further action on the proposal to rezone the N. Prospect Town parking lot from RG to BG. Please compare the proposal to recommendations in the 3 previous parking studies (2016, 2018, 2019).

This rezoning proposal would be a huge step with cascading consequences that needs much more analysis and answers to the numerous questions and concerns that have been raised about both the process and substance of the proposal that include:

As first steps:

- How this site compares to other potential sites, both Town owned and privately owned and how the previous studies apply to this situation.
- Provisions for involving the public on draft plans for downtown parking including the N. Prospect site before any rezoning

Then if the site emerges as the preferred site:

- Impacts of increased traffic N. Prospect Street, which is very narrow
- How the seriously undersized and configured N. Prospect St. entrance/exit would be handled
- Etc. etc. etc.

Please include this communication in the record of this meeting.

Thank you for considering these comments.

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