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Hi Lucy,

Below are my thoughts for Consideration for the MVC:

My family has owned 16 Narragansett Ave. for over 65 years. Our end of the street has always been single family dwellings as the original deeds to these homes clearly state. There would be no concern with a residential home scaled to fit the neighborhood. The spot zoning of this one small block and side of the street to B1 zoning was changed in error years ago. To allow an Inn/Hotel on any of these "B1" lots will dramatically, not for the better, change the scenery feel of Cottage City's Copeland District, one of the Island's oldest and perhaps Oak Bluffs' oldest neighborhood. The shuttle drop offs, parking, year-round traffic, employee parking, size, daily food service (i.e., breakfast, wine and dinner) and usage just does not fit. It is my fear that if this project is allowed at its current scale and function, it will become the trend for this one area of Narragansett Ave and become "hotel row" thus losing all its charm, old world feel and beauty. These homes have always been single family dwellings in my lifetime and should remain so. The previous home on this lot was the same in size, structure and use as other houses in the area. This proposed project is not. Thank for your time.

Respectfully,

Tim Bartolomeu