

FW: Dukes County Avenue Dillon project

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From: Guinevere Cramer <guineverecramer@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 02, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Robert Moriarty <rdm@edgartownlaw.com>
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Good afternoon -

My name is Guinevere Cramer. I live at 19 Vineyard Avenue, Oak Bluffs. I am writing to you in support of Ryan and Abigail Dillon's project - 112 Dukes County Avenue.

There are a number of reasons I support this project as a neighbor, as an Oak Bluffs resident, and as a parent.

1.) The property (the one housing the business) has been in such a sad state of disrepair for years. With so many properties that are rundown in those blocks, it will be a vast improvement not only to the neighborhood and other

businesses close to the location but to the town. People will see a beautiful, new vibrant small business rather than an embarrassing large eyesore that makes you nervous to be around.

2.) Speaking of safety, I will feel safer having my children walk to Tony's Market having this project on Dukes County happen. I will not have to worry about what is happening on that previously vacant property. Having one less boarded up building that can be inhabited or used for unsavory activities is a very good thing in this neighborhood, and I hope more building owners on Dukes follow suit.

3.) Having a new business and multi-unit employee housing will bring more business to the downtown community. How great to walk over to Tony's for lunch or grab Sea Smoke to bring home.

4.) The previous house that was torn down is being replaced by a stunning new building that will allow for a number of Islanders to secure safe, beautiful housing and eliminate the threat of the Island shuffle in their lives. This alone is such an asset, and trumps any other concerns about a building that was approved to be torn down through the appropriate channels. I welcome these new residents to our neighborhood.

5.) Having two Sullivan Architects buildings will increase property values. The three new homes around the corner have taken an otherwise less desirable street and made it enjoyable to walk down. Also, the multiple, adorable little house enclave Brian Packish has created adds to the charm of the neighborhood. Let's keep improving! Also - the residence is for workforce housing - not vacation rentals - a big asset to our year-round community.

One last thing - I applaud the Dillons for using a local architect and working to add to the quality of this B1 district with a thoughtful design. I also appreciate their dedication to their employees and their business. What a wonderful example they are setting for the Island business community.

Thank you for your time and let me know if I can assist in any other way. I am looking forward to seeing this project happen with ease and having a neighborhood to be proud of in addition to supporting small businesses.

Best,
Guinevere Cramer