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I'm writing to supplement my opposition to the last iteration of the proposed DRI plan. At the public hearing last on Nov 3, Selectman Ryan Ruley in response to my concerns that the relocated bus staging area was blocking the existing driveway to Ann deBettencourts home and one of her garages stated that I was wrong and that Oak Bluffs would "never allow bus spots to block Ann's driveway nor the business of the car rentals there." Apparently Ryan did not review the photographs and overlay the new proposal with those to see that in fact I was correct. Given Ryan's statements, I would expect that the MVC would find it only fair to adopt his statement and, if an approval is desired, to compel the relocation of the tour buses further to the north so as NOT to block any private driveways. In addition, I would urge the reduction and removal of two of the larger planting areas in favor of more parking spots. Lastly, and this was just pointed out to me by several concerned businesses along Circuit Ave Extension, the bulk of passengers coming off the Island Queen cannot fit in the walkway along the harbor and because of this they all filter across the area that is now a turning radius for the taxis and pick up etc staging area and on into the street filling the breadth of the street, there is NO SAFE PLACE FOR THEM TO STAGE! The plan does exactly the opposite of what it is supposed to do by way of pedestrian safety. The plan will now force pedestrians heading down Circuit Ave extension directly into auto traffic. That mix will certainly cause more trouble than the current plan. In light of this obvious lack of foresight, I would urge the MVC to send the plan back for further review with all interested stakeholders invited to the planning table. Thank you for your consideration. Best, Ben Hall Jr