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I am Bill Hallett and for 13 years I have lived at 23 Olive St, just across the street from 22-24 Olive St.

I don't like this project.

Is there ever a time in Newburyport where someone finally says no to these types of projects?

It's frustrating to watch more and more of Newburyport get filled in as if every square foot of land must be built upon. I think the project slated for this property is another example of this.

Whether the North End or South End, the neighborhoods have limited open space for light and air. Building an "addition" which looks more like another house, creates a more claustrophobic feel, especially as it goes vertical.

My family has deep roots here and it gave me an appreciation for the history and character of this city. I see the character disappear with each of these type projects.

With very few exceptions, this is the first time I've seen such a resounding agreement from my neighbors. It really has united us. We care about our neighborhood.

I therefore am on record against this project. The existing house can easily be made into a two family house fixing the interior. We already have two driveways and two entrances. Both potential families would love such a backyard.

Bill Hallett

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