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Message:

For Zoning Board of Appeals

This 2-family home originally split down the middle has been reconfigured front-to-back with a two story connector and added rear unit which infills the backyard. This addition does not fit the style or scale of other residences in the neighborhood. Also proposed are 4 parking spaces facing the narrow end of Russia Street which as an abutter we feel are unsafe and add nothing to the character of the neighborhood. The parking spaces off of Olive Street are deemed not profitable enough to make tandem. We assume the rear unit will have to have a Russia Street address, with only a shared entrance and 4 vehicles located in what I would consider its front yard.

We feel it is bad for Newburyport to allow people not intending to reside and improve this structure to be making these changes and bypassing the permit approval process. If the yard is large enough to construct an unconnected family residence for someone who might actually live in it, it would be a better approach. Instead we are being asked to accommodate the profit margins of a developer.

The city should be concerned with how property is being developed as well as the influx of Air B&Bs which is occurring throughout the city. So now you have a neighborhood that is also concerned about it happening here.

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