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From: Braden Nicholson <braden.nicholson@gmail.com>
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To: Town Council Email Group
Cc: Amy Lacy; Braden Nicholson
Subject: OPPOSE the Ordinance for Historic Preservation, please

My name is Braden Nicholson and I am wholly and hugely opposed to the Historic District Ordinance.

My wife and I own a significant list of residences in the Village, including our primary residence.

For almost 8 years now, we have bought and faithfully restored all of the homes we currently own plus three others that we have sold. IN EVERY SINGLE CASE, we have restored and improved these homes as they sat, making them the best versions of what they've always been. We've even donated land back to the town so that the sidewalk on the top of Main Street could be finished. We faithfully follow all zoning and permit rules. And we will always continue to do so. We do not need another government body lording over what we've already proven to do. We are exactly what this proposed Ordinance and its ensuing Committee is calling for. And we've been here all along without them. It is wildly insulting to suggest that someone like us, or any of our neighbors, must have an additional watchdog.

The need to create an Ordinance that gives way to a District to protect something like 25 houses at the expense of 513 houses is a pristine example of government run amok. In my opinion, there simply is no other way to look at it. It is black and white.

If I was approached individually to submit any of my homes that qualify as significant to a historic classification, I personally would gladly do so. (And I'd guess that some of the other home owners in a similar position to me would do so as well.) **But I would never ever in a million years suggest that the entirety of the Village needs to be subjected to oversight on my home's behalf.**

Please, when you vote, vote with the humans in mind. There are different ways to protect the brick and mortar that aren't this way.

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