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To: Public Comments
Subject: objection to 25-1044

To whom it may concern,

Hello! I'm a lifelong (63 years), 3rd generation Somerville resident. I vote in all local elections and have many close friends and family members who look to me for advice in local issues.

I am STRONGLY opposed to the City Council item 25-1044. I think it will discourage homeowners and developers from improving properties and thus the image of the city as old houses are left to rot without needed upkeep and maintenance. It will also greatly slow the development of much needed new housing as well as devaluing properties. This will greatly affect homeowners who worked hard their whole lives with just their homes as a retirement plan.

Such an enormous change without public comment and trying to sneak it through on a holiday week is unreasonable and an obvious abuse of power. NOONE needs \$7200 nevermind \$14,000 to move! And why up the condo conversion waiting period by a year. Where is the common sense ? How is it helping anyone in any way?

I strongly request that the City Council on July 10 either not ordain this item or, in the very least, send it back to the Legislative Matters Comm for a public hearing which it did not have. Otherwise I will most certainly advise my many friends and family in Somerville to vote for a change in the next elections.

Thank you,
Dan Casparriello
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