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To: Planning Board
Subject: Northeastern Motel

Planning Board members,

I have a couple of concerns about the contract zone for the Northeastern Motel. It has been operating as apartments, not as a motel, for quite a while already. Does this mean they were not in compliance with the current ordinance?

The previous owner tried for a long time to get one motel room switched to an apartment, but he could never get permission from the Town. Why are you considering changing the zoning for one owner when you wouldn't for a previous owner? Shouldn't the same rules apply to everyone?

My biggest concern is that the motel sits right next to wetlands. How old and in what condition are the septic tank and leach field? If the leach field fails, is there enough usable land to install another?

Will changing the zoning for one lot make it easier for neighboring lots to also get their zoning changed? I assume if you approve this contract zone, that would make it easier for me to get zoning changed so I could put up an apartment building.

Lastly, the only time I've received an automated call from the Windham Police Department saying there was a sex offender living nearby, it was someone living at the Northeastern Motel. I don't like to think that the neighborhood will be in more danger just so one landowner can increase their profits.

Thank you for your time,

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Sent from my iPhone