HELP STOP DEVELOPERS FROM COMPLETELY CHANGING THE CHARACTER OF CENTRAL SQUARE

Developers are trying to make massive changes to Central Square by slipping these changes through city committees during the holidays when they think no one is paying attention. A notice was just delivered to residents a week before Thanksgiving.

COME TO THE PLANNING BOARD HEARING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 AT 7PM, CITY HALL ANNEX 344 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE ON THE 2ND FLOOR

RUSHING IT THROUGH: THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WHICH WILL DECIDE ON THIS IS DECEMBER 1 AT 3PM, CITY HALL IN THE SULLIVAN CHAMBER

These developers are trying to undermine the citywide Master Plan process by getting a special interest deal right now, rather than waiting for the Master Plan to be completed in three years. If this succeeds, there will be other attacks on the Master Plan process in other parts of the city.

This is what these changes will do:

- Increase markedly the density of Central Square by raising the height of buildings. Exempting first floor businesses from the height restrictions so buildings can be even taller, and not counting balconies and terraces in the floor area, also increasing the height. These changes will encourage massive condo buildings, changing our neighborhood to be like Kendall Square.
- Reduce open space by allowing open space to be on the roof of the building.
- Remove the limitation on the number of fast food restaurants
- Allow the buildings not to have parking, even though they will be built on lots where there is parking now.

Call your city councilors also and tell them to stop this and wait for the Master Plan!

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