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To whomever it may concern,

The Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) is considering a stay on the opening of the Aston bridge housing facility. The meeting to consider the stay will be held Wednesday, November 6. I write in opposition to that stay.

I live on Hopkins St, an eight minute walk from the Aston. I regularly frequent the area to work at the West End Neighborhood Library.

Our city, and Ward 2 in particular, are in dire need of more housing. We need housing of all strata, but in a city with an average of 73 out of 10,000 residents living on the streets, it is critical we provide ways for those with less to have shelter.

Those opposing the opening of the Aston propose no alternate solution. It is a simple "Not In My Backyard" philosophy.

This is a city, not a gated subdivision. If people of all strata cannot live here, we are failing as a city. I urge you to let the Aston open.

Very Respectfully,

Alex Dragone