Dear Mr.Cohen..

Thanks for the opportunity to express my opinion regarding the proposed development at the above referenced address..

It is my understanding that this project has brought up some passionate

opposition in a community that feels they are not being heard. Based on the size and scope of this development, there is no doubt that it will have a negative impact on the community.

Parking will be woefully inadequate despite the proposed underground parking and the  overflow will absolutely impact the existing residents, especially  if they cannot park in front of their own homes! Has a traffic study been conducted to ease the fears that the residents currently have and the impact of the safety on the streets. Noise pollution due to high density and undue

traffic is of real concern.

And does Boston have an architectural review board?

It also appears to be no secret that the developer has other properties in this community and is currently in serious violation of city ordinances regarding tenant trash. He seems to unabashedly defy a public health issue and shows a blatant  lack of respect and consideration for the neighborhood. Summer time sweltering heat brings up an odor that makes it impossible for residents to open their windows and the presence of flies makes summer time barbeque a less than enjoyable experience. No matter what neighborhood you live in.. this is disheartening and lacks dignity that a wealthy landowner could attempt to diminish the neighborhood that he enjoys a financial gain in!

Regrettably, no one will be more impacted than the Giochinni Family at 15 Frankfort Street. This family is my family and they  will be hit with endless days of destruction during excavation and construction. And giant financial distress.

As I'm sure you are aware our family home is primarily brick and built in the late 1800's. It's a 3 story quaint vintage structure that has been in our family for 40 years. We have had what other normal families enjoy.  And  for all those years knowing generations of families that we called friends. My mother raised four daughters and was graced with many grandchildren she watched grow and thrive in the school yard. We bought fresh bread at the corner bakery and fresh fruit and vegetables close by. We had a local butcher that knew our names.

The facts are that we are concerned that the City has not done its due diligence and proper investigation of this proposed development. I

 wonder if a geology report would reveal that excavation relatively easy and that our modest brick structure will show no significant damage during digging? I think this would be inaccurate and hope further investigation of this necessary.  Please refer and review  other structural damage created by this developer and he has remained blameless of on Bremen Street.? This might be called Collateral damage? We fear that there remains to be no dialogue regarding any potential structural damage during excavation.

 I don't pretend to have  knowledge of the current Boston building codes and I understand that this developer is within his legal right to build on his property but if you grossly exceed the  building height of your neighbor and grossly infringe on that neighbors  Air, Breathe, Light, View, Privacy, Income, Family, Tenants and above all else Well being, I essentially view that as a hostile act. My family will profoundly be impacted by a sharp decline in property value due to the proximity of this structure and rental income impacted that the building will be in darkness and the view once enjoyed taken away. And let us not forget the nature of the developer in a neighborhood that he has never resided and has no vested interest in any of the residents other than a financial one.

To the left of our home we enjoyed a walkway that we have used unopposed for the past 40 years. It is the only access to the backyard from the front of the house. We have considered this our property for it has been unchallenged all these years and an easement has never even been presented?? Or is this  considered grandfathered property? And I believe this to be our true and real property which I believe has been infringed upon.

The facts are my family should oppose the size of this structure. It is large and literally takes away  quality of life, financially and emotionally.  My sister has numerous times made tremendous efforts to negotiate a more viable option for this builder.She has on occasion begged him to give her a foot or two. He has humiliated and bullied her. And has on numerous occasions let the community know that he has it in for her? Now, that sounds threatening and downright unneighborly to me. She is not in a position to hire a lawyer yet she has had no choice but to protect her family home that she has worked her entire life for. She has incurred this extreme burden and her health during this time has dramatically declined.

Most of the remaining neighbors that oppose this project have worked all their lives to maintain and preserve their properties. This once close neighborhood has been in steady decline! Forgotten and neglected for a very long time. These proud people are trying to fight for what they think is right for their community and to quiet the fears and the realization that this one developer doesn't take their community to heart. He has sadly taken advantage  of a community down on its luck. And the City faced with a housing shortage could possibly be failing to protect the people that make the city what it is. I beg of you to hear every plea and every fear and armed with all the facts and knowledge make the best informed decision for this community that desperately needs a bakery and a healthy grocery store. Perhaps even a Farmers Market once a week but most of all this community needs a CHAMPION....

I apologize for the length and hope that my free flowing thoughts and outrage over this have made some sense...I had intended to keep it shorter but as the importance grew so did the E... I am grateful for the opportunity to give you a different point of view. Despite that I no longer reside in Boston.My heart will forever be there..thanks very much..Philomena Giusti Miner