

Comment: Created Date	First Name	Last Name	Organization	Opinion	Comments
3/28/2019	Allison	Friedmann		Support	I support Roxbury Prep building a high school in Roslindale. All the city's kids are ours and deserve a beautiful building and great location in order to get a great education. They are our future. So a small inconvenience like less parking and more traffic is well worth it.
3/28/2019	Amy	Gitlin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/28/2019	Talya	Sokoll		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. I live right around the corner and I am fully in support of this project.
3/28/2019	Shuntara	Baker-Brown	Parent	Support	My son and all the students, faculty and staff deserve a school, in a wonderful, central location, to be part of the Boston community, cultural and a would make a wonderful addition to the west Roxbury neighborhood. Roxbury prep students are trained to succeed, act accordingly and help in the community. Please help the Roxbury Prep community with their future school.

3/28/2019	Sardhis	Ortiz		Support	This is a wonderful opportunity.. let?s have a better place to foster better education for our students!
3/28/2019	Todd	Wyner		Oppose	I do not support because: 1. School would be dangerously close to commuter rail stop which experiences fatal train strike of teenage boy in 2008 2. Adjacent West Roxbury Parkway bridge is in disrepair and should be considered before school breaks ground 3. Over abundance of other neighboring multi unit residential construction will potentially gridlock the Belgrade and West Roxbury Parkway area. 4. School?s design will essentially hold students hostage all day due to a lack of school owned recreational property. 5. Reliability of commuter rail is a concern irrespective of the reverse commute proponents espouse. Belleview is a small uncontrolled rail stop and is unsuitable for dramatic upticks in volume. Furthermore insufficient numbers of coach cars in the Needham line plague all weekday trips but particularly morning and evening rush hours.
3/28/2019	Erik	Johnson	Mr.	Support	As a neighbor to this project, I support Roxbury Prep?s high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

3/28/2019	catherine	kelley	nearby resident	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school proposed facility at 361 Belgrade Ave, Roslindale. I think it would be good to have this high school, now that it has been made a little smaller footage and with less students. It would be good to have a high school in the neighborhood. That area of Belgrade Ave is in need of new development. As there is a new condo development close by, more housing is not needed. Roxbury Prep staff and architects have listened to neighbors' concerns and made appropriate changes. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines.
3/28/2019	Ava	Delevante	Ms.	Support	I wholeheartedly support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. THANK YOU!! Ava Delevante-Atkinson
3/28/2019	Meredith	flannery	Year	Support	This is a good idea and positive for Roslindale and the current and future students. We support education, period. I hope this goes through.
3/28/2019	Donna	Taylor		Support	I left Massachusetts before the school was built. My grandson went to the Dorchester Campus and we were satisfied with the school.
3/28/2019	Lisnarda	Chalas	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	Is going to be very convenience for my son, just because on my side my son he can be more near home when I am working.

3/28/2019	Theresa	Walsh		Support	<p>I enthusiastically support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. I am excited about this opportunity for the kids and families who will benefit from this school. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.</p>
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3/28/2019	Julianne	Scherker		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. All students have the right to have a single campus for 9-12 graders where they can receive an excellent education, learning and growing together as one community. In order to make this possible, the school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback and concerns. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.</p>

3/28/2019	Adria	mcfarlane		Support	I am really looking forward to my 2nd daughter graduating from a known school in 3 years. My first born graduating this year and they were promised a school and we are still waiting.
3/28/2019	Ellen	Finnegan		Support	I'm a West Roxbury home owner and I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.
3/28/2019	Kristen	Beck		Support	I support the development of the high school in the Roslindale location
3/28/2019	Patrick	Kenny		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/28/2019	Kevin	Mejia	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. As a former student and now current teacher at Roxbury Prep, they have molded me into a great, responsible, man. I have always stood behind this school's mission, as it has saved my life on more than one occasion. I am a product of what this school offers, and these young men and women deserve a place to call home. A place they can grow and receive the rigorous and thorough education that all young adults deserve.

3/28/2019	Carol	Baldwin	Carol Baldwin	Support	I strongly support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. I taught middle school science at Roxbury Prep's original campus in Mission Hill for 3 years. Roxbury Prep's staff, students, and families are absolutely amazing, and they deserve a high quality high school facility. The school community will be an asset to the surrounding community in Roslindale- not a deficit. Roxbury Prep has actively responded to community feedback by reducing the size of the student body and the square footage of the building. Students will have access to public transportation via the Commuter Rail and bus lines so traffic congestion will not be an issue. Please provide the amazing students of Boston with the type of school facility that they deserve.
3/28/2019	Gladi	Jackson	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I support the high school project 100%. My children are alum of Roxbury Prep the education they provide is outstanding and ahead of public school giving my children the opportunity to get an excellent education and succeed to get into a great college.
3/28/2019	elaine	tutein		Support	I think this will be a great addition to our neighborhood. My son just enrolled there & we are looking forward to having a HS that he can walk to.
3/28/2019	Evan	Mehler		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

3/28/2019	Antonia	Fernandes		Support	<p>My son attends Roxbury Prep and I support support Roxbury Prep?s high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. Our children deserve a new and improved High School facility. Moreover, the school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.community. Thank you.</p>
3/28/2019	Nora	Dowley		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep?s high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. As an educator and a Roslindale resident, I cannot imagine a better use of the space. My house is less than .2 miles from the proposed site and I am VERY excited about how this project will impact my neighborhood positively.</p>

3/28/2019	Sara	Colón	Neighbor & RPHS Staff	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/28/2019	Samantha	Martin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/28/2019	Jen	Langley		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. I live off of Belgrade and drive by this location every day. I would welcome them to the neighborhood. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.



3/28/2019	Tennille	Riquelme		Support	Good evening, I fully support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. Thank you, Tennille Riquelme
3/29/2019	Niurbis	Araujo	Roxbury Prep student parent	Support	We need RPHS in Belgrade St, Roslindale urgently. My son has been in this school since the 5th grade, now he is in the 11th grade and has persevered through the inconveniences that came from the small size of the school building. Although he has shown great results, his education could have been greatly benefited by the advantages of a bigger building. The staff work so hard to help this kids with such limitations and also there are so many kids that can joint this facility to get a good education. As a parent, the best thing that it had happened to me is Roxbury Prep because with their help my son today is a great young man, responsible, educated and with a bright future ahead in college. My hope is that my grandson get the opportunity to be part of this family too one this school is open.
3/29/2019	Neema	Njakale		Support	I support roxbury preparatory charter and we need high school in our neighborhood plz and thank you.

3/29/2019	Indira	Snipe		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/29/2019	James	Gumpper	Roslindale Resident	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/29/2019	John	Mcguire		Support	Roslindale badly needs a new school to keep the many young families from moving once their children become school age. The Old Longfellow school, now Senior housing nowneeds to be replaced. John P. McGuire
3/29/2019	Wesley	Williams	Parent	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

3/29/2019	Lynn	Burke		Support	<p>These students deserve a school. Period. As a BPS teacher and parent, I am not "pro charter" but this charter already exists. So that point is moot. The entire argument about traffic is bogus; the most vocal opponents of this project live in another neighborhood - not coincidentally, the whitest neighborhood in Boston. What this opposition is really about is race and class. Some people want to keep the areas closest to West Roxbury - i.e. the border of Roslindale - looking as much like West Roxbury as possible. A school that serves primarily students of color from all over the city would certainly change things. Which is a wonderful prospect. Our neighborhoods and schools should reflect the city of Boston and serve its people. Thinly disguised racism and barely coded language about fears of teens "loitering" after school should not detract from the city's duty to serve its constituents. Don't let a faux neighborhood association stop this worthwhile project from moving forward. Build the school and stay on the right side of history. It's time for Boston to step up and say no to provincial politics at play. Our kids - and they are OUR kids - deserve better.</p>
3/29/2019	Julie	Rodriguez		Oppose	<p>This space is far too small for a high school. There isn't even space for any athletics or fields close enough. Check enrollment and I guarantee less than 10% of the children live in Roslindale or West Roxbury. Kids should go to school close to home. It has nothing to do with race or class. It is more about convenience. Why bus kids miles from their home to school? This is a very bad idea. Stop trying to turn Roslindale into New York City. It's already too crowded and gridlocked.</p>
3/29/2019	Matthew	Hutchings		Support	<p>It's a good use of the space, and the area needs a school. The objections raised by GBANA, which only exists to object to this school, are largely without merit, and as much as they deny it, have an abhorrent racist tone.</p>

3/29/2019	Judith	Kanter	Ms.	Support	As a neighbor who passes by the proposed site of the school, sometimes several times a day, I would like to express my support. There is nothing about this proposal that I find undermining the neighborhood; on the contrary, young people bring life and diversity. While I wish this were not a charter school, the school already exists, and they need safe, healthy facilities. Thank you!
3/29/2019	Kimberly	Bartlett-R	Roxbury Prep	Support	I live in the neighborhood close to the proposed Roxbury Prep High School site, and I fully and enthusiastically support the project. As a parent of two young children, I would be thrilled to have a high school in my neighborhood where currently there are none. I believe a high school would be a great addition to the neighborhood and would bring some economic activity to that area of Roslindale.
3/29/2019	April	Lambert		Support	These students deserve a school and a welcoming community
3/29/2019	Ann	Udale		Support	I am in the neighborhood right across the Parkway, and I support and welcome this school!
3/29/2019	Sophia	Baez	Uncommon Schools	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community

3/29/2019	Maija	McManus		Support	I am firmly in favor of bringing this charter school to our neighborhood. As a Roslindale resident, I have been to enough community meetings to see that the voices in opposition to projects to improve the neighborhood are in the minority, they just speak louder because their opposition stems from anger. In our current climate, it is SO important to send a message to communities of color, and especially children of color, that they are wanted, needed and valued. Imagine as a young student having this debate roaring around, essentially, whether you're 'good enough' to deserve a place in these communities. The message we send to them needs to be one of encouragement to be the best that they can be. Kids are in charter schools because the structure of the public school system has failed them. Please, don't fail them again. There are no 'traffic issues.'
3/29/2019	Alida	Aska		Support	We are in complete support of adding this school to our community.
3/29/2019	Jeff	Terrey		Support	I absolutely support this school at this location. I think concerns about traffic are overblown. Please support this school
3/29/2019	Jenna	Lang		Support	Everyone deserves a good school to attend. No one has the right to say what type of people are or are not welcome in a Boston neighborhood.
3/29/2019	Andrew	Bobenski		Support	Enough NIMBY-ism and thinly-veiled racism. Our students deserve a great school in an area where it is needed. The school has been more than accommodating to neighbor requests (even though most complaints are unfounded and are merely weak justifications for their ultimate goal of simply keeping a diverse school out of their beloved homogeneous neighborhood).

3/29/2019	Caroline	Kelly		Oppose	As a life long city of Boston Citizen and living in West Roxbury For 33 years I am opposed to the school being relocated to a newly built building at the old Howard Chevrolet. There isn't enough room. The traffic in the area in the mornings is so congested now adding a new school will only increase it. The studies done on the traffic and the proposed plan does not reflect reality. They should consider building a new school at the closing West Roxbury complex not on a small lot in a congested area of West Roxbury.
3/29/2019	DONALD	TWOMEY		Support	I've lived in this neighborhood for 24 years and welcome the revitalization of depressing Belgrade Avenue. A school will bring life and energy to a gateway street that very much needs it.
3/29/2019	Stephen	Kelley		Support	I support Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School's proposed facility at 361 Belgrade Ave, Roslindale. I have attended several meetings and have been impressed with the school staff who have been responsive to local concerns about the original scale of the project. As currently configured, I believe on balance it will be an asset to the area. This will be the only high school in Roslindale. I do think BPDA needs to re-engineer the Belgrade/West Roxbury Parkway intersection to address the traffic from the rotary. I don't think the school will significantly impact the intersection, but this intersection has been a long time irritant to residents, with daily backups into the rotary. This might make the project more acceptable to the community. I live about a 4-5 minute walk from the school. Steve

3/29/2019	Carol	MOSTOW	N/a am a Roslindale neighbor	Support	<p>I welcome Roxbury Prep and ask that you approve their site in my Roslindale neighborhood which I love, where I have raised my family and lived for over 30 years. I attended a previous hearing (unable to get to this week's meeting at the Elks) . I was impressed by their school community and students and the Roxbury Preps efforts to be a good neighbor by commissioning traffic studies, reducing their size and adjusting their schedule to match transit schedules. The so-called neighborhood group formed simply to oppose it does NOT represent me or so many other Roslindale neighbors who welcome the committed students, families and teachers I saw at the hearing. These are who we WANT to reinvigorate our community ( which lacks any other high school). I am a BPS supporter but this is an already existing school and approved charter that needs a home and the design changes seem reasonable. (The charter vs BPS issue is irrelevant) And in any case I would so much rather have Boston's youth and future in my neighborhood than an abandoned car lot or another multi-million dollar condo development putting our community further out of reach for longstanding residents as well as for new families.</p>
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				<p>Accommodating an additional couple of minutes perhaps of traffic (that is a factor when other schools let out too) , is what being a citizen means . And there will be far fewer students driving to this school than to the parochial schools . You are a public agency and I plead with you to put these Boston childrens' and families' needs and the Roslindale community that welcomes them first. Our collective responsibility is to make sure all our children are educated, safe and healthy, prepared to help our city be truly great as well as to have rewarding and productive lives. The language and attitude that has come from the continued opposition to this project has appalled me with racist overtones about where the children come from, 'falling property values', 'loitering'. Complaints about inconvenience, traffic (despite solid evidence from traffic studies), all seem like feeble excuses. This is not a toxic dump, a mall, or even a pot shop. These are committed families, some in fact from our neighborhood but all from Boston where I live and work and for which you are responsible. We are all in this together and can not allow narrow minded bias, fear or greed determine our community's future. These are all our children and I choose them for my neighbors. Do the right thing or perpetuate the structural racism that has stained our city for too long.</p>
				<p>I look forward to supporting this schools success in my neighborhood and will volunteer if they come, helping these young people become contributing members to our city and community. (I have worked in middle schools and healthcare and have ties to some local institutions.) Dont look for excuses, or be beholden to loud voices and misplaced fear misrepresenting our neighborhoods interests. Instead do the right thing and approve their application. Anything else is a miscarriage of justice. Thank you. Cmostow@gmail.com</p>



3/29/2019	Nusirat	Salam	parent	Support	I support Roxbury prep's high school project located at 361 Belgrade ave Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/29/2019	Kim	Soderberg	None	Support	I live less than a mile form this location. I support the building of this school. We need a high school in roslindale.
3/29/2019	Sila	Rosario	parent	Support	Total support to Rox Prep of 361 Belgrade Ave. I am a parent of a child at Rox Prep. I have watched these students change buildings every year, having no place to really call thier own. These students are a part of Boston and there should not be a question what neighborhood they build their home in. Rox Prep services so many of Bostonians. Our kids need homes!

3/29/2019	Hannah	Weisman		Support	Roxbury Prep has listened to community concerns and responded with a scaled-back and thoroughly reasonable plan. Although I might not express support for the creation of a new charter school, Roxbury Prep already exists and already serves youth in our city. I readily welcome Roxbury Prep students, faculty, and staff into the neighborhood where I live. Schools are an essential part of the fabric of our city and I can think of no better type of development to embrace. I can find no fault with a proposal to provide improved opportunities for education for our city's youth. The proposed location of Roxbury Prep is suitable because of its proximity to the commuter rail and bus lines, as well as local businesses that could potentially be engaged with youth service learning projects and school-to-work initiatives. Nearby restaurants, cafes, and stores can benefit from business from students, faculty, and staff before and after school hours. And most of all, we owe all of our students--regardless of race, culture, or economic status--access to safe schools with appropriate space and facilities for learning.
3/29/2019	Kelley	Ray		Support	Fully support as a neighbor and BPS parent. I don't see that there would be a traffic problem and if it forces people who cut through this neighborhood during their commute to stop and/or drive more slowly, good!
3/29/2019	Ivette	Ugarte		Support	Let's make it happen for our children the future of Boston.

3/29/2019	Ginny	Gass	Bellevue Hill Improvement Association	Oppose	I am opposed to the Roxbury Prep Charter School proposal because of the problem associated with the location. Located at the gateway in and out of West Roxbury, the school will have a devastating effect on traffic, in addition to the safety issues involved. Also, I've been in touch with Aisling Kerr regarding the end date of the comment period. Specifically, on March 8, I telephoned to ask if the comment period had been extended from March 8 to a later date. This was my second request for this information. On March 8, Aisling said that the comment period ended that day, March 8. In light of the fact that this was my second request for this end date information, I was surprised to learn last night (at the Roxbury Prep Board of Trustees meeting in Dorchester), that the comment period had been extended. Disheartening to be affected by Aisling's poor communication skills when the future of traffic and safety in West Roxbury is on the line.
3/29/2019	Jocelyn	Roach		Support	100% support !!! WE deserve this for our community and the children that are a part of it!!
3/29/2019	Drew	Tamoney		Support	I am writing to let you know that I support Roxbury Prep's proposed high school project at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale. What Roxbury Prep has done for these students over the last 20 years is remarkable and we need to support their efforts to offer great educational opportunities going forward. The school has gone to great lengths to respond to the community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed the primary concerns about this project: size and congestion. It is, in fact, the best use of this piece of land that we can ever come up with. Any change to this site will have a congestion implication and this change is worth it. Please support the educational needs of our future leaders. Thanks for listening.
3/29/2019	Benjamin	Rowles		Support	I think the plans look great and it would be a great addition to the neighborhood.

3/29/2019	Athena	Yerganian		Oppose	<p>I have already submitted comments regarding opposition to the location, not the school. My point today is this: Despite the BPDA's repeated claims of "Community Outreach" there is no one I can find in the affected neighborhoods, who knew the Comments deadline had been extended from March 8, through today. I found out when we, the Board of the Bellevue Hill Improvement Association, attended the Roxbury Prep Board of Trustees meeting last night. How can the BPDA claim Community Involvement when it doesn't "involve" the Community? The BPDA has said the RESULTS of the meetings the Proponent attends are irrelevant to the process. It seems the BPDA is only concerned that check-boxes are completed, and to push this project through for the benefit of the DEVELOPERS, and AGENDA of the Charter Schools, thereby completely DISMISSING the needs of the STUDENTS. The Proponent says it has listened to the community by down-sizing the project. But there is no educational rationale presented for dramatically scaling the building down.</p>
					<p>If a larger building was appropriate based on an assessment of student needs and educational programs, why would the Trustees and School Administrators accept less? Why would they settle for a sub-par project when they PROMISED the students a State of the Art School? And, from a business prospective, why would the conglomerate-Charter organization give up more than 230 reimbursable tuitions? There are too many questions for this project to go forward.</p>

3/29/2019	Omar	Marrero	Roslindale Resident	Support	Dear BPDA, I support the proposed building at 361 Belgrade Ave. I believe that having a high quality high school like Roxbury Prep will be an asset to our community. A public school in Roslindale is much needed and the attention to detail in planning has been very considerate of the community?s residents feedback on this. I?m excited to see this take place 0.8 miles of my own home and have current and future students learn in a well deserved and much needed building. I have witnessed the growth in this community for the past five years and am confident that this will be a positive impact for us all and a welcoming opportunity for future families & children that will join our neighborhood. Best, Omar Marrero ilarapr14@yahoo.com 31 Liszt Street Roslindale, MA 02131
3/29/2019	Barbra	Morton		Support	I support the proposed Roxbury Prep project. I am a retired public school teacher/administrator and believe we owe all the students in the city the best education they can have. This project will help to do that and will be a great addition to the community. We all should be responsible for the education and welfare of all the kids in the city not just a select few. Please approve this project and show everyone that Boston really does care about ALL CHILDREN.
3/29/2019	Susan	Ronstrom		Oppose	I am not in support of the 2 tiered structure of "public" schooling, for students and parents who want to opt-out of public schooling and get into a "better" charter school instead of creating a better, single public school system. the public-private charter system is breaking the structural foundation of being able to get a good education at a public school and instead is syphoning school funds from public schools to charter schools. There's also a lack of safety, parking, and access to this location, and therefor I oppose.

3/29/2019	Elana	Wolkoff	Ms.	Support	As a Roslindale resident, I welcome a high quality public high school to our community, as we currently have none. Although I drive past the proposed site going to and from work on a daily basis, I am not concerned about the traffic resulting from the new facility. I believe that the architects have done what they could to minimize the impact on traffic and I am in favor of any educational or extracurricular services that support the youth of our city. I am disturbed by the possibility that many of the people of my neighborhood would feel more positively about the school if the student body looked more like them (i.e, white), as indicated by statements such as, "They need to go somewhere else, not come to our neighborhood," and, "keep West Roxbury suburban." Boston cannot afford to make decisions that are even partly influenced by racism.
3/29/2019	Sadie	Barocas		Support	I fully support this school coming to West Roxbury. As a BPS parent and a member of the neighborhood, I do not understand why people are so against this. The students deserve a school. West Roxbury and the adjacent neighborhoods deserve to have this. I am in favor of this happening and hope that it does!
3/29/2019	Erin	Birmingham		Support	I am a resident of Roslindale and a parent of BPS students. I support the location of this school as we need more quality education options in our neighborhood. I travel that street daily and the prospect of additional traffic is not enough to deter the essential nature of this project. My household fully supports this project and look forward to the benefits that it will bring to our entire community.
3/29/2019	David	Blair		Support	Needed in this neighborhood.
3/29/2019	Joan	Lynch	Mrs.Joan Lynch	Oppose	I am not for this school on this st .already to much traffic !
3/29/2019	Whitney	Wilson	Year	Support	I strongly support this school coming into our neighborhood. I drive on Belgrade daily, and see no possible adverse effects to having more pedestrians. I'd be happy to share this area with this school.
3/29/2019	Maria	Zullo		Support	I support west Roxbury prep.

3/29/2019	Kellyn	Shoecraft		Support	This school would be a great addition to our community - I can't wait for the students to arrive :)
3/29/2019	Rachael	Sansom		Support	I am in support of the relocation of Roxbury Prep to Roslindale. I do not believe it will create traffic problems. I do believe it will increase the diversity and richness of our neighborhood.
3/29/2019	William	Lawrence	- None -	Support	This is a great project. The only issue that people worry about is traffic but that is not going to be an issue. Fixing the bridge will be but that is unrelated. Let this project go forward. We need a HS in Roslindale. These people have done everything asked of them to address worries. Let get this done! William Lawrence
3/29/2019	Alicia	Burke		Support	This is a great location and building for the kids to be in. I hope it happens!
3/29/2019	Amy	Nishman		Support	Let Roxbury prep build their high school! It's a great use of that space. I'm a BPS parent, not necessarily pro-charter school, but in this case that doesn't matter. They made compromises. We welcome them to Roslindale!
3/29/2019	Courtney	Golden		Oppose	I am completely against this school. It will be a horrible traffic mess and not the right spot for a school! Please realize that there is not enough space for a high school, high school students and teachers. Look at properties that already exist as closed schools and think of those places as a spot to move this charter to. We do not need this added to our neighborhood.

3/29/2019	Rachel	Young		Support	I have already written several emails in support of the project, but as today is the last day of public comments, I figured "why not?" and am writing one last time. I appreciate the BPDA's efforts to bring the school and the opponents together to review the project. I understand the meeting was contentious, but I still appreciate the efforts. I have been trying to get city officials to do this for almost a year, and no one wanted to. So thank you. I hope by now you have heard from enough supporters to appreciate that there is widespread community support for the project. Let's not repeat the mistakes of the past and kowtow to NIMBYist pressures and do whats right for the next generation of Bostonians and build this school in Roslindale. Thank you, Rachel Young 47 Tyndale Street
3/29/2019	Martha	Bitsberger		Support	I hope the school gets the support it needs to come to Roslindale!
3/29/2019	Noelle	Marquis		Support	I absolutely support a school on Belgade!
3/29/2019	Rachel	Lerner	Neighbor	Support	It really seems like a reasonable location for a school to me. I think the concerns are overblown and mostly in bad faith. The school deserves space.
3/29/2019	Andrea	Carusona	1985	Support	.
3/29/2019	Shannon	Malley		Oppose	I don?t support roxbury prep. Build it in Roxbury. Does not belong here for numerous reasons.
3/29/2019	Jennifer	Segal		Support	I support a school in the neighborhood especially if they would share their large spaces with our local elementary schools that have NO large meeting spaces, gyms, or auditoriums.
3/29/2019	Michael	Ikasalo		Support	I support the revised plan.
3/29/2019	Elisha	Meyer	Education	Support	Build this school and be on the right side of history (for once), Boston!
3/29/2019	Dorise	Heller		Support	The arguments against this school are thinly veiled NIMBY racism. I am not pro-charter school, but if the charter is going to exist, it should represent the city it serves.



3/29/2019	Jeffrey	Cipriani		Oppose	I believe this project is not in the best interest of our Roslindale neighborhood. I support our local public schools over charters and am concerned that charters are siphoning money from the public system and the neediest students in the public school system. I also believe this project will increase traffic in the neighborhood, making commuting even more challenging in an already traffic-choked neighborhood and city.
3/29/2019	Stella	Marquez-Murray	RE/MAX Destiny Jamaica Plain	Support	Our daughter attended Roxbury Preparatory Charter School and from there she attended Noble and Greenough School and Bowdoin College. She graduated with a Major in Education and a Minor in Romance languages and works for Compass Working Capital, a non-profit organization that supports low income families to build assets and financial capabilities as a pathway to greater economic opportunity to get out of poverty. Give these kids a school, the project will enhance the lives of so many children and families in general. There are no real reasons to prevent a project that will improve the possibilities for so many children. Boston should not support at all any race and class discrimination y even less when refers to Education. Education is the present and the future of our generations and as a community we should all be invested on this.

3/29/2019	Annie	Spitz		Oppose	<p>I believe there are legitimate cons to welcoming this charter school to any neighborhood. It is not a school for all children. Roxbury Prep Charter has had some of the state's highest suspension rates of all schools for the past several years. They ranked second in the state for the 2017-2018 school year according DESE data. <a href="https://expo.masslive.com/news/erry-2018/12/71680da4b19573/which-massachusetts-school-dis.html">https://expo.masslive.com/news/erry-2018/12/71680da4b19573/which-massachusetts-school-dis.html</a> Last year, of 1514 students, 340 were disciplined. That's a rate of 22%. If you don't look at DESE data and ask yourself how a school could be disciplining students who are male, black and brown, and have disabilities at disproportionately higher numbers than white students, than I wonder how you can stand by and ignore the data. This is a school that has historically had a zero tolerance policy and students pay the price or are counseled out. Take a look at their handbook- 40% of it is devoted to discipline. The line that charters are public schools for all children is misleading, because they do not include children with disabilities (not just learning disabilities, but severe low incidence disabilities) and newcomer ELLs (levels 1 and 2).</p>
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					<p>Mother Jones article (3/18/16) "The Disturbing Reason Why Some Charter Schools May Have Higher Test Scores" discusses the No Excuses philosophy of RPC. If you read RPC's handbook you will find this philosophy thinly veiled in the expulsion section and pages on pages addressing discipline. Even the financing of the building should raise some eyebrows. Venture capitalists making money while hiding behind social justice. From the website of Turner Capital Impact who is financing the project "Social impact recognizes that making money and making positive change need not be mutually exclusive. Instead, they represent a virtuous cycle catalyzing our success. I feel any school engaging in these practices should not be embraced. So, there are cons and they are well founded.</p>
3/29/2019	Renee	DeKona		Support	<p>I am in whole-hearted support of Roxbury Preparatory Charter School.</p>
1/9/2019	Robert	MacTaggart		Oppose	<p>This school will overtax road capacity and public transportation. The planned structure is not large enough to accommodate 800 students. When will a public meeting be scheduled?</p>
1/9/2019	Andrew	Kerr		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I teach at RPHS and I can attest to the quality of our students. This school will be a tremendous asset to the community.</p>
1/9/2019	Neal	Daringer		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood</p>

1/9/2019	David	Trimmer		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because their students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility. The Roxbury Prep team has heard and responded to community concerns following extensive outreach efforts. This project would benefit Roxbury Prep students, their families, and the City of Boston and should be approved expeditiously.
1/9/2019	Mary	Roderick		Support	I overwhelmingly support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/9/2019	Molly	Robson		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/9/2019	Brendan	Kennedy	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/9/2019	Mia	Davis		Support	I am a Roslindale homeowner, tax payer, voter and parent. I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. Let's bring a school to the site of a rundown mechanic shop and used car dealership! It will look much better and will help local businesses- cafes, pizza places, etc. The commuter rail and police station are right next door, which is great. This makes good sense for our neighborhood.
1/9/2019	Diana	Bonfilio		Support	I support this project. As the parent to two elementary aged children, I would love to have a high-quality local high-school as an option for my kids. The area is currently an abandoned eye-sore and it would be a huge improvement to have a thriving school community in its place.
1/9/2019	Julia	Leone		Support	I'm glad to see Roxbury Prep's response to the community. I live in the abutting neighborhood and would look forward to the transformation of the old car dealership. It is destined to be a lovely space for the wonderful students and teachers at Roxbury Prep and offer some space available to our community for meetings and events. This plan offers common ground based on issues raised by the Neighborhood Associations (GBANA & Bellevue Hill), and I hope my association (Bellevue) will re-vote on this measure, I will sure be pushing for it! The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/9/2019	Susan	Forti		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/9/2019	Janet	Marroquin		Support	Ever since my son has attended Roxbury Prep, he has gotten his grades up and now is a honor roll student . He has also had more confidence and actually LOVES going to school. Our kids deserve to have One high school that they can make memories and learn as much as they can .
1/9/2019	Abby	Detweiler		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I see the school as a positive development for the neighborhood.
1/9/2019	Carolyne	Kwily		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I support the Roxbury Prep's High School 100%. It'll benefit my child and many other students. Please support us Cordially Carolyne Kelly
1/9/2019	Derek	Rubinoff		Support	I think the design is attractive and the use appropriate. I am in favour of this project moving forward. There are a lack of secondary school opportunities in the Parkway area; this will become more acute after the proposed closing of the WREC (which did not really serve the pupils of the West Roxbury neighbourhood, anyway). The site is next to ample public transit and parking therefore should not be a consideration nor a requirement.
1/9/2019	Rachel	Young	neighbor	Support	I wholeheartedly support the proposed Rox Prep facility. As a neighbor I welcome a local high school option and new community space. As an architect, I believe the high quality design will be a huge improvement to the currently blighted stretch of Belgrade Avenue.
1/9/2019	Emily	Adams		Support	I support Roxbury Prep. As a mother of young kids and a local educator I welcome the school to our neighborhood.

1/9/2019	Lila	Austin	Ms.	Support	To the Boston Planning Agency, I'm live in the neighborhood which is to the proposed Roxbury Prep School on the Roslindale/West Roxbury line on Belgrade Street. I support their redesigned plans which have addressed many of the concerns around size, density and traffic. I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented. I feel they are listening to neighborhood concerns and I hope they are successful in their efforts. Thank you, Lila Austin
1/9/2019	Maxwell	Glenn		Support	I support the Roxbury Prep high school because students should have access to a permanent facility that can seat its student body comfortably. Roxbury Prep has informed the neighborhood of its well-designed plans, and taken into consideration all of the feedback they have received.
1/9/2019	David	Joseph		Support	I support Roxbury Prep high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/9/2019	LAURIE	ARNONE		Support	I support the Roxbury Prep plan for a high school in Roslindale. because it is time for these students to have one 'home' for their schooling. There they will get the help and support they may need to be successful through high school and beyond. I think the school will be an asset to the community bringing commerce to local eateries and shops. We need to take care of Boston's kids and Roxbury Prep has a good plan!
1/9/2019	Lidia	Figuerio		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state of the art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well designed and transit oriented.



1/9/2019	Marie-Frances	Rivera		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/9/2019	Bruce	Cortis		Support	We support the school in our neighborhood. While we think the original plan was not reasonable, we appreciate that roxbury prep listened to concerns and modified the proposal. We very much hope that other under utilized spaces in Roslindale will find as compelling a use in the future.
1/9/2019	William	Lawrence	- None -	Support	This is a great thing for Roslindale and the deserving students of West Roxbury Prep. Mayor Walsh came out today in support of increased state funding to support education. This is a great school, a great site, a great process, and at very little cost to the city will boost education in Boston. The City, the Mayor, and all the City Council needs to quickly get on board and support this wonderful project.

1/9/2019	Bruno	Giordano	GBANA	Oppose	I oppose this project because of the lack of transparency by the project team and unwillingness to work with the community. The project team knows the majority of abutters and local politicians do not think this site is suitable for a school. Over the past two years they've waged campaigns to avoid getting feedback and worked in secret to confuse facts. They've misrepresented every aspect of the project and openly lie about the facts and intentions of the school. They've made claims that they've had conversations with the MBTA about changing the train schedule which we confirmed never took place. Recently they shared that they don't even know how they'll run the school. They have also ignored the petitions raised against the project and went door to door pretending to be part of the neighborhood association. Many of us expect the school if built will be one of many in the neighborhood which will change the residential feel for good. This site should be developed for housing on the proper scale of the neighborhood.
1/9/2019	Toby	Romer	NA	Support	This is a wonderful use of this space and the redesign by Rosbury Prep makes it even more suitable. Please approve this project.
1/9/2019	Jill	Klowden		Support	I am very excited to have this project finally filed with the hope that this could become a permanent high tech welcoming place for these kids. They deserve our support. They deserve a diverse welcoming community. My kids are too old to attend (22 and 17) yet I still think this is good for the community and good for these kids. Please support this.

1/9/2019	Anjali	Bhatia		Support	I strongly support the building and establishing of this new school in the neighborhood of Roslindale. I am a longtime Boston resident and know that there is a great need for schools that serve our underrepresented citizens and children. We need schools that look after our kids that need special help, extra care, and focused attention. As a teacher myself in a highschool, I see where we fall short and this school will fill a gap and take on a sorely needed role.
1/9/2019	Sem	Michel	Parent	Support	As a proud parent residing in West Roxbury, I support the project of building a decent school for the kids in Roslindale.
1/10/2019	dasvid	vernick		Oppose	this proposal is a poorly conceived project that places too many young adults in a tiny structure with limited space. there are much better areas to place such a school where there is enough square footage to allow for a normal high school environment.
1/10/2019	Conor	Dowley		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/10/2019	Racheal	Rush		Oppose	I think the size of the project remains too large, despite the changes made by the development team. A different type of development will be a more appropriate use of this land space.
1/10/2019	Richard	Impert		Support	I support RPLS in the construction of the school at Belgrade Ave.

1/10/2019	Scott	Bortolotto	Direct Abbuter	Support	My property is directly behind the proposed site of Roxbury Prep Charter School. We are separated only by the width of the MBTA Needham Line tracks. I fully support this school coming to our neighborhood. The school administration has been amazing and answering all concerns for the neighbors, highlighting the public transportation for the students so there will not be any traffic concerns. There is ample parking for the faculty and staff. They have even vowed to open their facility up to the community, allowing access to the gym and auditorium. It will also make a high performing public school accessible to the students who live close, which is something we desperately need. Honestly, because of the way the property is available, as a school, retail, or housing; this is certainly the most needed of the three options. Housing is being built throughout our local community as it is, with at least 3 projects already underway, and several more in the process. I look forward to having them begin construction. Thanks for your time and consideration.
1/10/2019	Margaret	Dale		Support	I have lived in the Bellevue Hill neighborhood of West Roxbury for more than 30 years. I strongly support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. Thank you for your consideration.
1/10/2019	Nicole	Trotman		Support	As a parent of a RP student, I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I'm not a fan of the current neighborhoods where they're located ( safety and public transport accessibility) and think this new location would be a vast improvement. We the RP community need this.

1/10/2019	Vicky	Seelen	Roxbury Prep High School Project	Support	<p>To Whom This May Concern: When I heard that Roxbury Prep was planning to build a high school in our neighborhood, I immediately became a supporter and attended as many informational meetings as I could. As an educator, I could not be more thrilled to have a high school nearby, especially one which has the reputation of Roxbury Prep. It seems, also, that the designers in conjunction with the school's leaders, have done all that they needed to in order to speak to concerns of neighbors about issues around size, parking, etc. I am an enthusiastic supporter. Thank you so much. Best, Vicky Seelen</p>
1/10/2019	Emily	Tragert		Support	<p>To whom it may concern: I live in Roslindale and commute past the proposed site for this school every day. It's currently an unused eyesore and I would be so happy to see it transform into a vibrant high school! I understand that some people have concerns about the traffic issues that could potentially arise from putting a school at that location but I think that the school has done a good job listening to the community and making changes that address those concerns. Because I would be directly affected by any traffic in the area, I've been paying special attention to that conversation and I feel very satisfied that there would not be any big impact on the area. I also think that having a high school in the area will bring lots of benefits which would far outweigh the negative impact of any slight traffic slowdowns.</p>

1/10/2019	Bessie	Maher		Oppose	<p>I understand there was an article released about the school now being under 300 students. I am still opposed to the school as Centre street, Holy Name, and the condos that are in the process of being built will create major traffic. At this point every neighborhood in the city is becoming congested. I don't like the fact that the condos are being built on Centre street either. I don't even like the fact that Holy Name is there because it does add to the traffic both in the morning and the evening. This is West Roxbury not downtown. I'm not against this school having a home but the location that's been picked out isn't good. The area in Belgrade should be made into a park for young families with children. I don't know if this is a solution or possibility but what about where West Roxbury High School is? The school will unfortunately be closing as I'm sure you know. I understand it is BPS land but couldn't they lease it to the charter school or maybe sell the land. I would hate to see that land not used. It would give the school the opportunity to have the 900 students they intended before and a larger space for the school. Parking wouldn't be a problem because the land is huge. There is T accessibility over there as well. I would love to see something done with that land and what better than a school.</p>
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1/10/2019	Rachel	Willen	Tufts University	Support	I strongly support the Roxbury prep 361 Belgrade Ave project. I am close with several Roxbury prep teachers and have met many of the students. The teachers are hardworking, dedicated, selfless people. They care about their kids and want to see them succeed. They come in early to prep lessons and labs, and stay after school for tutoring, and poetry club. They put up posters in their classrooms with inspirational scientists and writers, and share their own dreams and passions with the kids. Those hardworking teachers struggle more than is necessary under their current conditions of not having permanent space or enough room for all of their equipment and their students. The students are also hardworking, inspired, passionate kids with big dreams. They deserve space to learn and grow, as any kid does. Show them that they deserve their own space, a permanent space in a welcoming community that wants to see minority children thrive. I would love to see a new school in my community. Thank you for your time!
1/10/2019	Robert	Patten		Oppose	first the safety of the students are a concern with all the traffic and with the parking and traffic jams it will cause. Than You P.S maybe both sides could get together and come up with a location that would be great for everyone.
1/10/2019	Parthena	Savvidis	Resident	Support	Please , please. Help us to build this beautiful school in our neighborhood. If little smaller than the original plan-but not smaller than that- We need it! Personally, I can wait till I see it completed! God guide all of you and blessings you for your wonderful work you do for our children! Very sincerely Parthena Savvidis
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1/10/2019	Jennifer	Larson		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students and their families deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the entire community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, and to incorporate community feedback into these plans which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/10/2019	Heidi	Sterling		Support	I highly support the building of the Roxbury Prep High School at this location because the students graduating from our middle schools deserve a high-quality school along with their high-quality education.
1/10/2019	Sam	Glenn		Support	This will be great for the community! Traffic can be adjusted and every child deserves the right to chose their school and see what school works the best for them.
1/10/2019	Theresa	Folan		Support	Our neighborhood would be improved with a quality school nearby.
1/10/2019	Krystopher	Belizaire		Support	Good evening, I'm currently a 9th grader at the Hyde Park location. I would like to express how important this petition is for me and my fellow classmates. The proposed layout for our new location would not only bring the student body closer but all of us "the students" would be able to continue to inspire each other. As a 9th grader, it's hard enough to adapt to changes. Keeping things familiar with all my classmates and everything at my disposal would help my classroom situations and seeing upper classmates advance to college would be an attainable vision for all the lower classmates, reinforcing the "the Roxbury Prep Mission." Sincerely Krystopher Belizaire

1/11/2019	Alexandra	Dailey		Support	I strongly support the proposal submitted by Roxbury Prep. The organization has worked diligently with the community, and has made revisions to its initial plans based on community input. This is a well-run school. I am familiar with its operation in Mission Hill, which has minimal impact on the surrounding community while providing an excellent education for motivated students. Roxbury Prep high school would be a welcome addition to the community.
1/11/2019	Cassandra	Velazquez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. It's a shame they had to reduce the space/number but glad it's finally at this stage. We need this school in our community for myriad reasons.
1/11/2019	John	Hirsch		Support	To Whom This May Concern: As someone who lives nearby, I have been in support of the proposed Roxbury Prep High School on the Belgrade location since the first day that I heard about it. Having attended various informational meetings, I am one who thinks that having a new high school in our neighborhood will enrich the students' lives and contribute to our community. One aspect of this project that has impressed me is the degree to which the designers as well as the educators have come together to meet the concerns expressed by neighbors and proposed another building that seems flexible and functional. As an educator, I could not be more thrilled to support this project. John Hirsch

1/11/2019	Cathy	Armer		Support	I am writing to register my support of the creation/construction of the new Roxbury Prep school building. Roxbury Prep's students work hard, and they deserve to be together in one state-of-the-art facility. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about the proposed plans for this site and building, and it has altered the plans in response. In addition to this building supporting Roxbury Prep students, their academic community, and the neighborhood, I applaud the fact that the project considers the environment - it features green space and is accessible to public transportation. This thoughtfulness regarding this school community, the building, the neighboring community, and the approach to environmental concerns are all to be applauded, and I hope the process can move forward.
1/11/2019	John	Kalaitzidis		Oppose	If the proposed student count is 562 that would mean 14 school buses (40 students per bus) lined up on Belgrade Ave.. a: Where would you put all those buses since Belgrade Ave is but a two lane street? b: ALSO, in prior meetings it was stated that "some students would be allowed to leave early". Does this not rob the students of their education? After all, even as previously proposed, allowing some students to leave 1 hr early adds up quickly as classes missed per week / month, etc. c: Does the newly proposed effort take into account the minimum square ft of space the Commonwealth requires the learning institution per allocated student?
1/11/2019	Josh	Glenn		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project. The redesigned project (49,520 gross sq. feet, 562 students, 2-3 stories, increased parking) seems eminently reasonable. I am dismayed at the reaction many in West Roxbury have had to this project, and want to go on record as saying that my family and I support the project.
1/11/2019	Sarah	Rocha		Support	I fully support Roxbury Prep High School's plan to build on this site. Please approve this plan so these students can have a permanent school building.

1/11/2019	Rosa	Suazo	Parent	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/11/2019	Carline	Deleon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/11/2019	Brooke	Payne	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/11/2019	Tamara	Simmons		Support	I support Roxbury Prep. Our students deserve a permanent safe school where they are comfortable receiving their education
1/11/2019	Anisa	Yasin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented
1/11/2019	Adam	Seidel		Support	As a Roxbury Prep parent, I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/11/2019	Shandolyn	Anderson	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/11/2019	Natasha	Cole	Roxbury Preparatory Charter	Support	I support Roxbury Prep because my son attends Roxbury Prep middle school and deserves to be able to share his years of youth with his fellow classmates. I am one of the parents that have walked many streets trying to gain support for my child's and his fellow classmates to attend a state of the art's high school. All Roxbury Prep students deserve to have a stable high school and somewhere to go back to visit when they become alum's. Help support our students and families with stability. Thank You
1/11/2019	Eddie	Doctor		Support	I fully support Roxbury Prep High School for Roslindale. Students deserve this state of the art project. To help them in their learning, growth and development Thank you.
1/11/2019	Michelle	Gilchrist		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's development of a permanent high school building. Their commitment to education and the sitting like surrounding communities is phenomenal. The students and staff deserve an educational environment to flourish.
1/11/2019	Maretta	Johnson		Support	This school can and will improve the community.

1/11/2019	Rose	Pierre		Support	The student deserves a good facility where they feel safe, in a good structure environment. As a mother of a soon to be a highschooler at Roxbury prep I'm concerned about the current learning environment of these highschool students. These students are currently using a basement like facility, it makes it nearly impossible to get a decent learning in a unstable setting. Please consider to allow our children to get the best education as possible. Allow my scholar to get the best education she can get. So she can have a promising future. I strongly support the new Highschool for the students of Roxbury preparatory. As a concern mother the new Highschool will be beneficial for my scholar and current as well as future scholars.
1/11/2019	Keisha	Beepath-Taha		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/11/2019	Dawit	Semere		Support	I support 100%.
1/11/2019	India	Bodden	RPA	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/11/2019	Shariece	Bullock		Support	I am very excited for the Bew beginning moving forward
1/11/2019	Anyelina	marte		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because of the dedication that the school staff shows to all these students, they also deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. They operate above many public schools. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/11/2019	Sandra	Doctor		Support	I Strongly support The New Roxbury Prep High School for Roslindale. Our Students are our future leaders Thank you
1/12/2019	Nydra	Martin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/12/2019	Ana Maria	Franco	Guardian	Support	I support Roxbury Prep Highschool! The students deserve this building and it will be an asset to the community!!!
1/12/2019	David	Cavicchio		Oppose	As a direct abutter to this project, I strongly oppose this proposal. I would be happy to discuss further if needed. Thank you for your consideration.
1/12/2019	Phuong	Nguyen		Support	This construction of a new Charter High School is very good for community, students, parents, everyone are living in this community. Roxbury prep before to right now is never has a comfortable school that in there has a gymnasium, a cafeteria... All students are take lunch in class meanwhile they work so hard also 9 hours everyday from Mon to Thur. Therefore, we: all people whomever is living in Boston and has strong voice should support and help for this project complete in future. Our kids are worthy to get this benefit because they will become talent, useful people to service for community, for city and for this country.
1/13/2019	Angela	Hussey	Parent of RPL Scholar	Support	Our children need this please!
1/13/2019	Francine	Crystal		Support	I'm happy to support the modified plan for Roxbury Prep. So important that Roslindale have a high school. This is a good use of this location and I appreciate how the developers have responded to the community's concerns.
1/13/2019	MARIE	AUGUSTIN		Support	My son has recently joined the RPDC family. I hope he continues to grow and strive in the Roxbury Prep family when it is time for him to go to HS. This campus is a must to give continuity to our scholars.

1/13/2019	Kayla	Armando	Former Teacher	Support	<p>I worked at Roxbury Prep for 4 years. The staff and families are working hard to give our students a high quality education. We want to give our students a quality education from 5th-12th grade. The high quality education we want will only be fully achieved once we have a permanent, 4 year, high school that can fit and serve our students. This building will allow for better student culture and stronger staff culture. I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.</p>
1/13/2019	Bruno	Giordano		Oppose	<p>After reading through the documentation I have further comments to add They only report on the number of people who supported the old proposal. There were many thousand emails sent out in opposition of the project to many local officials. There was also an official petition against a school being build on that site which is also not listed. The transportation report while very long reports that conditions in the area will go from a LOS of C to LOS of F during peak times due to parent pick up and drop off activity. This is based on the current percentage of students that are dropped off by parent at 7%. With a new location that number is likely to change and rise meaning that if those assumptions are underestimated, the entire neighborhood will be gridlocked at peak times. Both students and commuters will feel these effects and will result in the kind of congestion that nobody wants. The area is zoned for neighborhood shopping and is not conducive to this number of people made up of students, parents and staff that a school will bring. It will result in safety issues for everyone using the area. This project does not serve the students nor the neighbors.</p>



1/13/2019	Patricio	Hernandez		Support	I am in favor of Roxbury Prep's high school project mainly because the students in this area deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented.
1/14/2019	Angela	LaVita		Oppose	For a school that was looking to expand I don't understand why they are willing to change their scope. I think this location is still too small and congested for even 500 students. There are two approved construction projects right now within 2 blocks of that location as well as a bridge that's in need of repair. Not to mention putting a school on railroad tracks is an accident waiting to happen.
1/14/2019	ANNETTE	LEWIS	ROXBURY PREP HIGH SCHOOL	Support	PLEASE HELP THE PROGRAM TO BUILD ROXBURY PREP HIGH SCHOOL . MY DAUGHTER GOING TO ROXBURY PREP MIDDLE AND I WOULD LIKE HER TO GO TO ROXBURY PREP HIGH. SHE TOLD ME IT'S THE BEST SCGOOL SHE EVER WENT TO. SHE TOLD ME THE TEACHER HAVE LOTS OF PATIENT BY TEACHING THE BEST WAY THEY CAN SO STUDENT UNDERSTAND THEIR SCHOOL AND HOME WORK. MY DAUGHTER IS ACHIEVING HER GOAL AT THIS SCHOOL AND I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE ACHIEVE HER GOLD . PLEASE HELP TO BUILD THE ROXBURY PREP HIGH SCHOOL THANKS.
1/14/2019	Ava	Delevante-Atkinson		Support	As a long time Roslindale resident, I strongly support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/14/2019	Katina	Tsongas		Support	As a resident of Roslindale, I fully support this project and appreciate the efforts by the school to take into consideration the concerns of the neighborhood and adjust the plans for the school accordingly.

1/14/2019	Patrick	Kelly		Oppose	<p>This project is being forced upon the people of West Roxbury and Roslindale despite very strong opposition. They have found every loophole they can to skirt the rules. The building is higher than allowed by zoning. They are appealing to the zoning board. The biggest community complaint is the traffic nightmare this school will cause. They have shrunk the size of the school to just below the size that will mandate a traffic study. The school does not meet the requirements of the Massachusetts School Building Authority for size per student. They will be seeking a waiver to excuse them from those regulations as well. This school has made manipulated the law at every turn. When community complaints are brought up, they hint that the community has other reasons for their opposition. The fact is that this school does not conform to current zoning laws. It will add extensive traffic to an already over burdened area. Last, it does not benefit the neighborhood it is being put in at all. The school is just in the planning stages and has already proven that they are a very poor neighbor.</p>
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1/14/2019	Andrew	Peterson		Neutral	<p>To whom it may concern, According to original meetings with representatives of Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School their high school is currently split between two locations in two neighborhoods. The reason for a new 96,000 square-foot structure facility at 361 Belgrade with a maximum capacity of 800 students was to bring these students together under one roof and accommodate their growing school population. Simply put, the school absolutely had to be built at this particular location and built that big to allow for that many students. Now the square footage has been cut in half and occupancy will be 562 students? How is this accomplishing their original goal? Where are the rest of these kids going now? Is there any assurance that Roxbury Prep won't quickly grow out of this space and move somewhere else, leaving Roslindale behind? It also feels like reducing the size of the school only works to lessen oversight of the project from the city. No traffic study? Really?</p>
					<p>I certainly don't feel that this benefits the neighborhood. As for accusations of NIMBYism from proponents of the school, I simply must protest. I am all for having a school at this location. Clay automotive will be transformed into something else eventually. Personally I would rather a school than more overpriced condos. However, I don't feel that Roxbury Prep has truly listened to the concerns of those who abut the site. The concerns about the number of children added to the neighborhood and commuter trains are legitimate. Once the school is built we cannot correct any population problems that exists. We only have one chance to get this right. Thank you all for giving a forum to ALL who wish to comment on this issue. I appreciate your time and attention. Sincerely, Andrew Peterson</p>

1/14/2019	susan	donlan	gbana bellevue hill	Oppose	<p>Need an independent traffic review of area; mornings 630 am to 9:30 am., and the evenings 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm. At this time we must also consider the 3 major ongoing construction projects within feet of the school area, construction which will complicate matters. Why tie up two major arteries going into Boston to cater to the whims of a for profit organization (Betsy Devoss) when areas suitable for school use are nearby? The school population number is tentative and will be increased in a few years to make the school profitable to its investors. Has the site, the automobile repair shop, in existence since 1949 for seventy years, ever been fairly tested for the existing pollution? This new rendering is a ruse., a smokescreen for Uncommon schools to get their foot in the door. Please check the history and performance of Uncommon schools in Newark New Jersey and pay special attention to their 40% attrition rate.</p>
					<p>This school is not for neighbor hood use. It is a feeder school for the three existing Roxbury Prep middle schools. There will not be space for lottery students and definitely not for neighborhood students(another ruse perpetrated upon the residents of Roslindale) Truth has been a victim in this whole transaction. Why is this school given priority over wishes of most of West Roxbury and Roslindale? Why not build a school on the VFW Parkway school site that will allow students to complete their high school years and not be included in the 40% attrition rate to be thrown back into the lottery system. Why subject neighborhoods in Boston to permanent confusion and constant traffic tieups. Please do not build this school on the Clay site.</p>

1/14/2019	L	Susi		Oppose	<p>I am for a new school in West Roxbury/Roslindale. But NOT at this location. This site is at a busy intersection and the West Roxbury Parkway is a traffic pass thru. There is no play area outside on the ground level and not enough parking spaces - not even for the teachers. And to think every child will take the T is not a reality. Plus a child was killed on the Bellevue tracks a few year back. The Bulletin boasts 2300 have signed in favor. How many of those have actually seen the site? I am within a 1 mile radius of the Clay site and am not in favor. What is the obsession with that site? concerned citizen safety first</p>
1/14/2019	Mark	Bauer	--	Support	<p>I am enthusiastically supportive of Roxbury Prep's proposed move to 361 Belgrade. Roxbury Prep, as you know, serves over 90% children of color. I am a Roslindale resident and medical school professor. I know the value of a strong prep school education, which can be the key to a trajectory into professional careers for youth of color who often have little guidance or role-modeling to lead them toward those career choices. For instance, there is a substantial under-representation of persons of color among the medical professions, and supporting Roxbury Prep and schools like this can help to redress this deficit. Moreover, it cannot be denied that Boston remains one of the most segregated cities in the country. Consolidating Roxbury Prep's high school campus on the Roslindale/West Rox line would be a tangible, incremental, and very positive step towards redressing this glaring inequity.</p>

1/15/2019	Debbie	Patruz		Oppose	<p>We oppose building any school on this lot for the following reasons: *Belgrade Station is too small for 500 children. The platform and parking area cannot accommodate such a large group of people, it's dangerous, kids will be kids with pushing and shoving. There needs to be a feasibility study done on this area, even if it has only 1/2 the cars parked there it will still be too small to accommodate children. They propose 2 monitors, but even that is not enough to keep 500 kids in check. *Anawan Avenue extension has an condo building sharing the street to get out to the street. Designing a kiss and drop area there will block the egress and make it impossible to exit the condo building during peak times. *The surrounding streets will be full of student and staff parking, a resident parking designation would then be needed. *The building is planned to go edge to edge on the property with no outdoor space (except the balcony) The kids will be forced to hang around on the streets before and after school waiting for the bus/train/parents because there is no other place to go. *The school said that they participated in community outreach, but I can tell you, I live a few blocks away from this site, and the only outreach I've seen is one person came to a Gbana meeting and lost her temper at the group. Little information was shared. Children deserve a safe place to go to school.</p>
1/15/2019	Xiaohui	Wang		Oppose	<p>The people who support this proposal don't live in this neighborhood, and don't care about the traffic, parking and other consequences the school will bring to the neighborhood. As a parent of two middle schoolers, I understand the students need a combined school and better facilities, however, the place that currently Clay Chevrolet dealership just doesn't offer enough space for a school and the surrounding roads don't have the capacities to handle additional load. It would be a headache to the nearby neighborhood and city.</p>
1/15/2019	Belkis	Pimentel		Support	<p>I support the Project of the Roxbury High School</p>

1/15/2019	Catherine	Kelly		Oppose	This is not the right location for a school for 500+ people. The neighborhood cannot absorb this level of foot and car traffic, drop off mess that it will create. This area is a main thoroughfare into the city and it is already overwhelmed with cars and gridlock through that intersection.
1/16/2019	Janice	Brea		Support	This school has been working extremely hard for the last couple of years to work with community members and city officials to be respectful about the process. I am so glad they finally submitted their LOI and can move on with the official process. I have been involved in several other development projects, but I haven't seen one that's been quite as contentious as this one. You'd think they were trying to bring a Marijuana shop into the area or something...they have my full support.
1/16/2019	Dunia	Goncalves		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented.
1/16/2019	Jazmin	Drake		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/16/2019	Catherine	Kelly		Oppose	This neighborhood cannot absorb a school of this size-even with the reduction in size.
1/17/2019	Lizbeth	Calderon	1984	Support	My daughter attend to Roxbury Prep-High and I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/18/2019	Bridget	Trimmer		Support	Roxbury Prep High School would be a great asset to the community. The leaders of Roxbury Prep have gone above and beyond in listening to feedback from the city and from residents and have made some significant changes to their project to accommodate. These students deserve to be a cohesive student body under one roof. Please expedite this approval as their search for a permanent home has gone on long enough.
1/19/2019	Gwen	Smith		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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1/22/2019	Marie	Jocelyn	Yes	Support	That's would be great Opportunity to our child Thank you
1/22/2019	Michael	Levesque		Oppose	The site is inappropriate for a school of any size. Roxbury prep had not treated neighbors fairly.
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1/22/2019	Sarah	MacKinnon		Oppose	I'm concerned about the traffic and parking implications of opening this school in an already crowded neighborhood. There are three condo buildings approved for construction in very close proximity to the school, and we already have issues with traffic and public transportation running on schedule. I appreciate that the school lowered their original volume of students, but continue to worry the area is undersized for a project of this size.
1/22/2019	Natasha	Antonakos		Support	Hi, With the changes Roxbury Prep has made to the HS plans we offer our support for this project. They have listened to neighbors concerns about size and traffic and addressed them. Having a school there will be good for the community.
1/22/2019	Ginny	Gass		Oppose	This location is not suitable for a school of any size. There have been no traffic studies done to determine what kind of impact this project would have on the larger community. The West Roxbury community is entirely opposed to this project and the community is what's important here, not a project the details of which have been misrepresented at every turn.
1/22/2019	Joseph	Cauteruccio		Oppose	This site size and location are not conducive to an educational faculty of this type. The area is in need of additional high density housing options for empty nesters, seniors and single, young couples. This site is best suited for that use. An example of which exists right next to the site. the mayor wants more housing, the majority of neighbors in the area do too. We support that type of development (when done right), not a facility that will impose high degrees of disruption to the immediate neighbors and broader area in general.

1/22/2019	SILA	ROSARIO	parent	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I am a parent of a child there and they deserve a home - they had spent so many years bouncing from building to building. Our kids deserve to go to school in thier city.
1/23/2019	Jon	Clark		Support	As a long-time Roslindale resident, I have supported this proposal from the outset. Roxbury Prep is an outstanding school, providing educational opportunity to so many Boston students who otherwise wouldn't have it. We'd be crazy not to welcome such a high quality public school to our neighborhood. And the revised proposal is eminently reasonable and responsive to the concerns of immediate neighbors.
1/23/2019	Anne	Harvey Kilburn	neighbor in Bellvue Hill	Support	Hello! I fully support the project. I visited the Roxbury Prep campus on Maywood St. just this morning and witnessed the students and staff working diligently. Many of the seniors have already received college acceptances and the energy around that is high! I realize change is hard for some residents. Our family did not originate in West Roxbury, but we have lived here for nearly 20 years. Our two children grew up here. We embrace progress. The Roxbury Prep students deserve a new campus with proper facilities just like their peers have in other schools. The reduced plan, while ultimately meaning the school won't be able to serve as many students, makes sense. Thank you for your honest, measured approach to approving the plan. I look forward to the students and staff becoming members of our community as they strive to improve their lives with education. Every single young person deserves that. With appreciation, Anne Harvey Kilburn

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1/24/2019	Aleksandra	Rudnitskaya	immetrica	Oppose	<p>I strongly oppose this project. I attended tree meetings with developers and charter school representatives so I am familiar with the proposed property development. 1. there is not enough space around the school so pupils, teachers and community feels comfortable having this addition to the neighborhood. 2. this is a very busy intersection and traffic gets absolutely out of order in rush hours. Addition of such a big school - will increase car traffic in rush hours, - human traffic in the area where there is an access to train station, therefore making life of people using commuter train miserable; 3. the perspective of having loading zone right at the exit/entrance to out parking area MEANS to 24+ residence of my building that we are not going to be leaving/entering our property freely. 4. Fire drills, safety checks, etc happen in schools routinely multiple times a week. Where would those pupils and teachers and stuff wait? I do not want it to be at my parking property. I do not see benefits for my community from building THIS HUGE CHARTER school in such inappropriate location &amp; on tiny (for this size) land. I would much prefer</p>

1/24/2019	Stephen	Donovan	n/a - neighbor	Support	I am a neighbor and I support the Roxbury Prep project. I live with my wife and daughter 0.4 miles from the subject property (an 8 minute walk) and believe this is an appropriate site for the school. The school is a wonderful use for this transit-rich parcel. It will improve the neighborhood and will be especially good for all of our small businesses along Belgrade Avenue. We also have many vacant storefronts along Belgrade, and I feel this is a step in the right direction in adding foot traffic and vibrancy to the street which will lead to more of those spaces being leased up. The school will bring good and needed activity to the community. I would expect, after all these years being used for automobile maintenance, there may be existing environmental issues on the property.
					This is a great opportunity to allow an interested school to come in, clean up the site, and develop something that will have an overall positive impact on the neighborhood. I frequently commute to work by taking the 35, 36, or 37 buses to Forest Hills. I find the bus service speedy and reliable along Belgrade. I think it is great that the majority of the students commuting to Roxbury Prep will be able to "reverse-commute" and ride in on the many, mostly-empty buses coming down from Forest Hills in the morning. Overall, this is a great addition to the neighborhood and a suitable project for the site. I think it has limited disruption on abutters especially considering the property does not even share a lot line with any residences. I'm looking forward to welcoming the students and faculty to the neighborhood. Thank you.
1/24/2019	Jeanne	Reis		Support	I support the building of RPHS. It's time for Roslindale/West Roxbury to have a new home for Roxbury Prep. Our young citizens of Boston are the future of our city.

1/24/2019	Catherine	Kelly		Oppose	This location is not equipped for the volume and traffic for students, faculty. It is on major road system into/out of the city that is already clogged with traffic, gridlock through that intersection through the day. This is also not a public school but a charter with a low percentage of West Roxbury and Roslindale students/kids. This school does not pose an immediate advantage to the neighborhood-other than congestion for school commute times AND off hours events it will be hosting.
1/24/2019	Bridget	Trimmer		Support	Roxbury Prep High School would be a great asset to the community. The leaders of Roxbury Prep have gone above and beyond in listening to feedback from the city and from residents and have made some significant changes to their project to accommodate. These students deserve to be a cohesive student body under one roof. Please expedite this approval as their search for a permanent home has gone on long enough.
1/24/2019	Mimose	Toussaint		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/24/2019	Krystle	Joseph		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Majken	Fisselier		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/25/2019	Leah	Rice	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Danielle	Robbins	Roxbury Prep Lucy Stone	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	C.E.	Tomlin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Chatham	Anastasi	RPLS	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Rhya	Brooke		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Orla	Andrews	Uncommon Schools	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/25/2019	Kaylee	Pena		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Chris	Reed		Support	These students deserve a real high school with the same opportunities as any other student from Boston or anywhere in the country. Please consider the students and their future when you're deciding to build the school.
1/25/2019	Antuan	Augustus	Roxbury Prep Lucy Stone	Support	This school is greatly needed for the community.
1/25/2019	Morgan	Baskett		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I truly support this school and have seen first hand the change it can make in the lives of students.
1/25/2019	Alison	Whitaker		Support	We ask a lot of our scholars; they return to school early in the summer, their days are long and their curriculum is tough. They are some of the most amazing young people I have ever encountered, and they continue to change my life personally. They deserve the same opportunities and stability as every other child. They deserve a space that is their own-and one to be proud of- in which to learn and grow.
1/25/2019	Madeline	Plachy	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented

1/25/2019	Allen	Harris	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Rosemary	Onofri	Roxbury Prep Charter Mission Hill	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Alex	Crume	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. This gives students support they deserve and shows that the community cares about their success.
1/25/2019	Katharine	Aoki	Roxbury Prep Mission Hill Campus	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Kaitlyn	Willcoxon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.



1/25/2019	Stephen	Gleason	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Ariel	Bruni		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because the staff of this school have done everything in their power to give these kids the kind of education they deserve--and now they need a space. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Heidi	Sterling	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented.
1/25/2019	Katherine	Eckstrom	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Carrick	Gambell		Support	Please support this project! These students deserve the facilities that their wealthier peers in Newton, Milton, and Needham take for advantage. Their education cannot be sacrificed for petty grievances.
1/25/2019	Stephanie	Irving	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented

1/25/2019	Wilmaris	Soto-Ramos	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I am supporting this project because our students deserve better; our students of color deserve better. Our students are constantly standing on the shoulders of their giants; their mentors, parents, teachers and other educators. Without a proper school environment students cannot learn and thrive the way they deserve to. We need to do better for our children who are our future. We need to invest in our students the way we invest in other things. They need us and this opportunity to have a high school that is unified and supports their dream. Thank you.
1/25/2019	Rachel	Stern	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because our students deserve as much or more than any other student has. Being in one facility will help them grow as a community.
1/25/2019	Brittany	Knadle	RPC	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. I am a teacher at the middle school and it is imperative these kids are able to be in one building.
1/25/2019	Olivia	Allen	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I am writing to show my support for the construction of Roxbury Prep's high school campus. These deserving students should have a school, and I believe given the concessions the school has given in reducing the size and scale of the project are reasonable and respectful of the community. Please grant students this space and help them ensure that they can give students a high quality education.
1/25/2019	Meg	Sutter	Roxbury Prep	Support	Our scholars deserve the very best in a facility that will continue to support and develop their young minds to be the future of this nation. It is outright unjust and unfair to keep our students from having a building in which they feel safe and supported with the materials they need to learn. No student body can be successful when it is split up into two old unworthy buildings. With a united student body our scholars can learn and fulfill their mission to get into college and graduate from college to become our future leaders.

1/25/2019	Bridget	Thomas	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school. I can testify to the history that is being changed through Roxbury Prep's approach to education. These high school students deserve to be in one building with access to resources and opportunities that will help them achieve their goal of college. The school has done extensive research and outreach to inform the community about this well-designed proposal.
1/25/2019	Lauren	Brodie	RPC Mission Hill	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school. Our students work so hard and deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Sarah	Dully	RPC	Support	To Whom It May Concern - My name is Sarah Dully and I moved to Boston to teach at Roxbury Prep Mission Hill campus four years ago. I moved here, to teach at RPC truly believing that every student deserves to have an education that gets them to and through college. I have seen 8th graders I used to coach go to the high school and struggle with two buildings, unable to build relationships with teachers and other peers because they are split. My roommate, a former RPC teacher left to graduate school for 2 years and this year came back to become the social worker at the high school. I have heard first hand how challenging it has been to be split between two campuses and our students, my students, students in Boston in the surrounding areas deserve better. I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I look forward to attending the public hearings to support my students, families, colleges, former colleges, and other staff. Best, Sarah Dully

1/25/2019	Elisabeth	Roche		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Mary Kate	Conway	Roxbury Preparatory Charter	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because all students should experience a typical high school experience in one building. These students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Emily	Radziwon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Zachary	Schneider-Lynch		Support	I fully support the project to build a roxbury prep high school at the proposed location
1/25/2019	Ashley	Barker	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Arianna	Benson		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/25/2019	Mary	McGrath	Roxbury Prep, Dorchester Campus	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Kendall	Kruszewski	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Heather	Cohen	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. They are currently spread across 2 temporary campuses which is not the high school experience they deserve.
1/25/2019	Dorian	Oberstein		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. These students deserve the very best!
1/25/2019	Nicholas	Leeke	Roxbury Preparatory Staff	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. Additionally, as a teacher at Roxbury Prep, I have seen the amazing students that we teach and they deserve to have a state-of-the-art facility to help unlock their full potential and close the achievement gap through education.

1/25/2019	Heather	Porriello	Roxbury Prep Dorchester	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Josh	Procario-Foley	Roxbury Prep Dorchester Campus	Support	I strongly believe that our students deserve to get the best possible education at one, unified facility. Our kids work so hard, and are so genuinely motivated to get to and through college - they deserve the best.
1/25/2019	Sarah	McColl		Support	I unequivocally support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, Massachusetts, because its students deserve the opportunity to learn together as a unified student body in a single, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community and the education of Boston's youth. Roxbury Prep has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented in order to seamlessly integrate into the layout of the surrounding community.
1/25/2019	Spiro	Gerontakis		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Monique	Lomax		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/25/2019	Kevin	Mejia	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Collin	Cherubim	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Christian	Clark	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Shannon	Llorentty-Baez	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Kim	Kinsman	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students are still BOSTON'S STUDENTS! They deserve to be in a building where they can thrive and get to college. It is unfair that we are still using rented out, temporary spaces.
1/25/2019	Nathan	Kelsey	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I am in full support of the children of roxbury prep getting a facility that they can call home for the short and long term.

1/25/2019	Titciana	Barros	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Kris	Elbein	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Adaline	King	Roxbury Prep Charter School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Scott	Dollen	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	John	Meier		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Micayla	Gifford	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.



1/25/2019	Gbenga	Olukoga		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Al'Amin	Cissi	RPHS	Support	We need this school. Our kids need this school. Please, just do the right thing.
1/25/2019	Madeline	Nam	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Al'Amin	Cissi	RPHS	Support	We need this school. Our kids need this school. Please, just do the right thing.
1/25/2019	Sara	Colon		Support	As a homeowner down the street from the proposed 361 Belgrade Ave site, a career educator who has worked with Boston students since 2007, and a current Roxbury Prep High School college counselor, I support the construction of a brand-new facility for our students, who deserve a high-quality educational experience. I also support this because the site is currently under-utilized and an eyesore since the businesses housed at that address are nearly non-functional.
1/25/2019	Davon	Johnson	Roxbury prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I am a former alumni of Roxbury prep and I've come back to join the team and support the dreams of our students

1/25/2019	Lyric	Griffin	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because all students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Lindsey	Kocur	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Babatunde	Abon	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I am in full support of Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school.
1/25/2019	Sarah	Riemens		Support	Massachusetts is the birthplace of education and regularly boast our high levels of academic achievement. However, in our capital city of Boston, in the shadow of city hall, our teenagers are struggling to access the education they deserve. This is not a fight of public versus charter, this is a fight to make sure that every single child in this city can access the opportunities they MUST have to be successful adults.
1/25/2019	Lenward	Gatison	Roxbury Prep High school	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project because their kids are so respectful in the community in which they currently occupy. I have been around Boston area high school students for almost a decade and these are some of the best examples of what we want the next generation to be. The whole Roxbury Prep Community deserves this New Building.
1/25/2019	Victor	Cherubim	Uncommon Schools	Support	Roxbury Prep does an excellent job of working to close the achievement gap, we do a lot to serve a populations of students in great need. Our students DESERVE a building! Every kid should have a real school building with things like lockers, a gym, science labs, a cafeteria etc. Let's make this happen!

1/25/2019	Mariko	Meier		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Audrey	Gillis	Institute for Nonprofit Practice	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/25/2019	Marilyn	Carey		Oppose	This is not an appropriate site for a school. Former auto shop, probably had eco toxin problems. Also, the proposed tenants seem to have a less than stellar past. Too many ifs for me.
1/25/2019	Kathy	VandeVenter		Oppose	I believe that the proposed Roxbury Preparatory School is not appropriate for the proposed Belgrade Ave location. This area is already very congested and the negative impact on West Roxbury and Roslindale will be huge. The West Roxbury High location would be more suited to a school of this type and size.
1/25/2019	Courtney	Pierce		Oppose	I am opposed to this project - and to busing in children from other neighborhoods to attend the school. Why not create a prep school for the Roslindale and West Roxbury community? West Roxbury isn't even mentioned as an area where children can come from - so it's safe to assume you are not supporting this neighborhood - yet our traffic and infrastructure will be impacted by it. I don't want the extra traffic in my neighborhood and around the Center Street roundabout near Holy Name School which is already backed up every morning during normal commute times.

1/25/2019	James	Connelly	EMC Millipore	Oppose	I am strongly opposed to any charter school that makes the Boston Public School system useless to this community. Additionally, I would like to understand why this "non-profit" believes that a charter school is needed. The location of this school is a nightmare and will create undue traffic problem on Belgrade Avenue. This is a main through-fare for Boston and shouldn't be a place where busses tie up the traffic. I do believe that this city needs to work from the end of the public school budget to make schools in the area stronger. If anyone would like to contact me, please do so at 617-733-9876.
1/25/2019	Mimi	Fong		Oppose	That is a highly congested area and having another large school will only worsen the traffic congestion.
1/25/2019	Ken	Gillis		Oppose	This location is a horrible location and traffic is already a mess. I am 100% against this project
1/25/2019	Andrew	Corcoran	Boston Citizen	Oppose	Some of the states best athletic facilities and building acreage is on the VFW Parkway. BUILD THERE!

1/26/2019	Elliot	Schwartz		Oppose	<p>I live near the site of the proposed project. I oppose the project for the following reasons: 1. Traffic is already extremely congested in the area of the proposed project during morning and evening rush hours. Adding a school full of commuting teachers and students will create gridlock in the rotary where Centre Street meets the West Roxbury Parkway, presenting a problem for local residents, as well as a potential safety problem because the affected rotary is in front of the West Roxbury Police Station. 2. Less than 10% of the students reside in Roslindale or West Roxbury. The school should be located in one of the communities that it is serving. 3. The proposed site is not large enough to support the proposed number of students. Students will be spilling into the local neighborhood, potentially causing trouble at the nearby train station, rotary, and establishments on Centre Street in West Roxbury. I am fully in support of education, particularly for communities of color. The school just does not belong in the proposed location, which cannot support the additional complex and influx of people from other areas of Boston. Sincerely, Elliot Schwartz, PhD</p>
1/26/2019	Glenda	Williams		Oppose	<p>I am writing in opposition to the project proposed for 361 Belgrade Ave. Belgrade Ave is a two lane roadway, one lane in each direction. The demolition, and then the construction of a building alone would be disruptive to the traffic patterns on the street. The other problem is these 500+ students will be added to an already crowded transportation system. The commuter rail, although a great option, is already crowded. As well as the 3 bus lines that come down last the proposed site. Those three bus lines already carry students from WRCC, Catholic Memorial, Roxbury Latin, and a middle school in West Roxbury. So adding another few hundred students during the morning and afternoon will add undue stress to the other riders. Please stop this proposed project, it is not wanted.</p>

1/26/2019	Dylan	Van Duyne		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/26/2019	Mary	Esposito		Oppose	Do not support this proposal, area far too congested for a project like this, safety issue for all concerned. Think exploring the soon to be closed West Roxbury Education Complex would be a much better solution and would afford the students an actual campus with athletic fields.
1/26/2019	Fiona	Fitzgerald		Support	I support the new proposal for the construction of Roxbury Prep because I believe that the Parkway area needs more schools. This is also a very good, sustainable use of the old car depot land, especially considering the recent outcry from local residents about the overabundance of new condo development in the area. My only concern is that Roxbury Prep has not put aside any student spots for residents of Roslindale or West Roxbury. I understand that they are a charter school, but if they want to integrate into the community and gain more support then they should find a way to include Roslindale and West Roxbury students in their dream for fruitful education.

1/26/2019	John	Kalaitzidis		Oppose	I oppose this build due to traffic & congestion concerns as well as the already available space which the city of Boston has already allocated for use as a school not being considered.. IE: W. Roxbury High School and Hyde Park High School.. Both locations can sustain well over 1000 students and both locations are within walking distance to the T.. ALSO, both locations would do little to impact the surrounding neighborhoods as would the Belgrade Ave., build. Readville is another location in which the city has vacant properties which could be allocated for this purpose. In past meetings the developer and supporters stated that some students would be allowed to leave 1 hr early. Thus allowing "for less congestion".. IF that were to be implemented then "those students" would accrue massive amounts of time (in long term) which they would have to make up. Otherwise we would be robbing them of a full education.
1/26/2019	Jeffrey	Phillips	Harvard	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/26/2019	Virginia	Reiber	community neighbor	Oppose	Roslindale was my neighborhood for fifteen years before I sold my home and moved to a rental nearby. I shop weekly in many Roslindale markets and stores, and travel Belgrade and Washington street on a daily schedule. The traffic is already very difficult to navigate in early am and after 5pm. With students, school staff, teachers and families coming and going everyday, the lives of neighbors and local traffic will all be negatively impacted. Good schools need space, for activities and comfortable spaces for youngsters to learn. The neighborhood is dense with families and elders. DO NOT add a disruptive operation to this family neighborhood.

1/26/2019	Kate	Mahoney		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/26/2019	James	Gumpper		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because I think that these students deserve a beautiful building and I also believe the building would be a much-needed addition to that end of Belgrade Avenue. The site currently contains an auto-repair shop and is near to some run-down and even shuttered shops. As a resident of the neighborhood, I can attest that the complaints of traffic at that location and lack of parking are completely overblown. I have never had to sit through more than one cycle of the light at Belgrade and West Roxbury Parkway, which is certainly not true of many other intersections across the city. Furthermore, the vast majority of students at this school take public transportation, which is ample at the site with the three bus lines and directly adjacent commuter rail stop. Last, the proposed construction will provide significant parking in order to accommodate staff and visitors. This is exactly the type of development that Boston needs more, not less, of. The other thing I will say is that Roxbury Prep is trying to bring a high quality high school facility to a neighborhood that sorely lacks one. All students in the city of Boston should have access to facilities like the proposed one, and this construction helps serve a tremendous need in our city. Thank you for supporting the RPHS facility on Belgrade Avenue!
1/26/2019	Rhett	Smith		Support	The students deserve a great HS building!



1/26/2019	Daniel	Pokaski		Oppose	This tiny site in an extremely congested area is ridiculous for a school. All one has to do is look at it and realize the folly of this proposal. The city,(if it truly wants to help a charter school) should propose leasing acreage over near the soon to be closed West Roxbury HS. That way these very deserving students can have a new facility along with shared amenities with a public school. Maybe that makes too much sense.Ok,I apologize for being cynical. Thanks for reading this and good luck with your deliberations. I know your department is under a lot of pressure. Best Wishes.
1/26/2019	Tom	Johnston	Resident	Oppose	I'm opposed. The building design looks great. However, the plan does not include provisions to address the additional traffic that comes with the school. Traffic clogs Belleview St, the VFW Parkway, Centre Street Iona Street and Anawan Avenue throughout the day. The proposed school only adds more vehicles to an over-taxed road scheme. Holy Name Rotary is already a pedestrian nightmare. How do we propose to keep the students of the proposed school safe in an already dangerous scenario? At minimum, the proposal needs to include traffic control provisions for the Holy Name Rotary and the 3-way intersection of Iona/Bradwood/ Belgrade. Also, the above ground-l gated commuter rail crossing behind the proposed school poses risk to the students of the proposed school. A pedestrian tunnel, similar to the McCraw St and Ainsworth St extensions is in order. All that said, diverting funds from BPS to Charter Schools is a shortsighted attempt at solution.
1/27/2019	.	.		Oppose	.
1/27/2019	John	Gilmore	Home owner	Oppose	Too much traffic already. This building is too congested for population
1/27/2019	Sarah	Rethage		Oppose	There is already an overwhelming amount of traffic - both car traffic and commuter rail traffic during rush hour. This will make it significantly worse, particularly as it is so close to a rotary.

1/27/2019	Katie	Gallagher	Roxbury Prep	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/27/2019	Kerstin	Kelty		Support	As a former teacher at RPHS, I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. While I no longer work for RPHS, I continue to believe in the mission and have seen the immense growth of my students from freshman year to junior year. They continue to show resilience despite the obstacles they face with the current buildings.
1/27/2019	Langan	Courtney		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one facility that will be an asset to the students as well as the community. Roxbury Prep has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. Roxbury Prep looks forward to being a wonderful addition to the neighborhood and to being a good neighbor to those in the area.
1/27/2019	Corey	Rethage		Oppose	The location does not suit a school, charter or not. Traffic will be a complete mess.
1/27/2019	Michael	Patten		Oppose	I do not support this size of a school going on this size of a small corner lot i am deeply concern for the effect to traffic and congestion and no out side space for students Michael Patten
1/27/2019	Corrine	DaCosta		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented.

1/27/2019	Jared	Inselmann		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/28/2019	Chani	Middleton-Rowe		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/28/2019	ann	maas		Oppose	THIS IS NOT A GOOD IDEA FOR THIS AREA. The drawings and diagrams of the building look nice. However, where is the detailed analysis of traffic patterns, where the students will come into the area from with respect to how will the students will safely get into the area based on the already congested traffic pattern in this area. The morning commute for students and workers should be considered. The commuter rail is adjacent to this property and where is the analysis for how current commuters will have access to this area? West Roxbury Parkway....a major thoroughfare for people going towards downtown Boston, Brookline, Newton, Roslindale, Dedham cannot support the uptick in traffic. What about the impact to the surrounding residential and businesses in this area? I might have missed this analysis. I am AGAINST this project.
1/28/2019	Marissa	Paeglow		Oppose	I think the space is too small for the proposed construction and numbers of students. There is not adequate parking in the area already and this will make it worse.

1/28/2019	Emily	Seaman		Support	<p>I enthusiastically support Roxbury Prep's high school project. Having worked directly with families who attend the school, I've heard first hand how much of a difference these new facilities would make in the lives of Boston students. These students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility. And having lived near schools in the past, I also believe the project will be an asset to our community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I'm hopeful that we can all work together to support Boston students and enrich our neighborhood. All the best, Emily Seaman Roslindale Resident</p>
1/28/2019	Robin	Fabiano		Oppose	<p>I'm writing to share my opposition for the Roxbury Prep school proposal on Belgrade Ave. I live directly next door at 345 Belgrade Ave and feel this project is too big for the space. I have major concerns about the potential 500 students + additional school staff, that will be coming in and out of the neighborhood. I moved here from a house in walking distance from English High and experienced the flow of students on a daily basis. I feel that our existing commuter station and bus station cannot withstand the amount of students relying on it to get to and from school. AND I think it will certainly disrupt the neighborhood. Even at peak times, there are no more than max 20 ppl. at a time exiting the commuter rail- I know this because my 4 yr old son watches out the window regularly. I don't think our tiny stop can accommodate the #s of riders the way the orange line/forest hills can- and I more importantly don't want to live in a neighborhood that has that volume of commuters.</p>

				<p>The traffic at the intersection of West Roxbury Parkway and Belgrade is already at it's max. The traffic backup extends through the rotary up past Holy Name on most afternoons beginning as early as 3:00. As new businesses, such as the yoga studio, eye glass store and doggy day care enter the neighborhood the parking and traffic has increased noticeably. There is a new apartment building under construction that will also have businesses attached should be factored into the flow of traffic and people when considering how to use that space. When I bought this apartment, the Needham line only ran during the wk. And it's a lighter schedule compared to other lines. It expanded it's schedule to wkends- which was disruptive in terms of the noise, especially at wake/nap and bed times- and then cut Sunday runs, making it a little better. I worry there is a strong possibility that the number of students, staff and parents will cause the MBTA to increase the rail runs and buses on Belgrade to accommodate the new school and that will be disruptive to the neighborhood in terms of noise, traffic, parking, exhaust etc.</p>
				<p>Also, as a public school teacher at a local high school, I am aware of the "extras" that go along with a school building; trash, litter, monthly fire alarms, evacuation sites and drills, lockdown drills, hanging outside, smoking, the flow of parents/volunteers, conferences, evening activities, morning meetings with teachers, and crew of staff to make a school run. That plot of land can't accommodate such a large bustling project and all that comes with it. Again, I experienced it first hand living so close to English High. This will be a disruption to the neighborhood that will change the favor for it's existing residents beyond what is typical development. I left a situation just like the one being proposed as my direct neighbor, and I'm not happy about it. I feel all my hard work to move to a more residential neighborhood is slipping away from me. Thank you for considering my point of view.</p>

1/28/2019	Shradha	Patel	Roxbury Prep/Resident	Support	To Whom It May Concern: As the Principal of Roxbury Prep High School and resident of Roslindale, I enthusiastically support the building of our school! Our scholars, families, and staff deserve 1 home, for 1 mission - to ensure that all scholars enter, succeed in, and graduate from college. Our promise, since 1999, has been to work tirelessly with families and scholars to ensure the keeping of this promise -- that regardless of zip code, income, or race, everyone should have the right to a high quality education. Our school deserves a home, and a scholars deserve the city to help support building this home -- creating a building serves as testament to values we hold dear. I support Roxbury Prep in its continued mission to do the same. With appreciation, Shradha M Patel
1/28/2019	Mary	Carew-Lyons	Roxbury Prep	Support	I am a resident of Roslindale. I support the project at 361 Belgrade Ave in Roslindale. Thank-you. Mary Carew-Lyons
1/28/2019	Kathleen	Lally	Ms.	Oppose	Rather than jam this school into a space which is clearly too small and located in an already congested location, wouldn't it be more beneficial to the students and faculty to find a larger space for the school. Any newly built schools in Boston should be "state of the art" and have all modern amenities. The school should have a pool, a gym. a cafeteria, an auditorium and athletic field. Certainly there must be other locations in Boston which can offer the students all that they deserve. Doesn't seem wise to build a new school which lacks those amenities. Don't waste money on a substandard facility in an inappropriate location.

1/28/2019	Rabbi Barbara	Penzner	Temple Hillel B'nai Torah	Support	Bringing a high school to the Parkway is a complex and nuanced topic, requiring conversations, questions, and listening. In my encounters with the leadership of Roxbury Prep, I've been impressed by their willingness to hear from and speak to anyone. They offer sound and thoughtful explanations of their plans, which support the mission of creating a positive learning environment for all students. I've heard them respond to challenging questions about school size, about transportation, about charter schools and about the number of suspensions of students in the past. I have also heard their ongoing thinking about how to address these challenges now and in the future. In the planning process they have taken neighbors' questions and concerns into account and made adjustments. For the students of Roxbury Prep, the Belgrade site is the best possible option currently available, and it will dramatically improve the learning community for these students and those who will come in the future. We look forward to working with them to create a vibrant school that respects its neighbors and contributes to our entire neighborhood, its businesses, and potential students and their families from the Parkway..
1/28/2019	Wilma	Rosenberg	Homeowner	Support	I support bringing Roxbury Prep to the neighborhood. I have lived in West Roxbury for 32 years.
1/28/2019	Alex	Toole	RPDC	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

1/29/2019	Julia and	James	Julie James	Support	<p>I am writing to support the building project at 361 Belgrade Ave, Roslindale. This school, that offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum and is open to any student in the city of Boston, will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood residents about its proposed plans and has incorporated feedback to accommodate community suggestions. The school is beautifully designed and transit oriented.</p>
1/29/2019	Diane	Handy	local resident	Oppose	<p>I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals. I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA. My concerns regarding traffic and commuting, parking, overcrowding and safety issues are detailed below. Traffic and commuting. The site for this school is approximately 0.6 miles from my house and abuts major access roads into and out of the Bellevue Hill neighborhood that I routinely rely on.</p>



				<p>At issue is the cumulative effect of over 600 additional commuters to such a busy area who all need to be at one place at the same time (given start and dismissal schedules). Many of these new commuters to the area will access the busy intersection of Belgrade/ West Roxbury Parkway and/or the five way intersection of Anawan Avenue/Beech Street/West Roxbury Pkwy either by car, or by bus and on foot. The proposed project will use Anawan Avenue as a site for drop off near the school and the commuter rail. This will cause backups along the Pkwy and on Anawan and Belgrade. A block from the Anawan /West Roxbury Pky intersection and just before the Centre Street rotary is the corner of Belgrade and West Roxbury Pkwy, the location of the closest bus stop to the 361 Belgrade facility. The facility is on the far side of the Pkwy to the bus stop. Thus, at peak times hundreds (an estimated 75% of students will take the bus) of pedestrians will need to cross the West Roxbury Pkwy.</p>
				<p>Regarding the commuter rail stop at Anawan and Belgrade, it is unclear whether the station can adequately accommodate hundreds of extra commuters in their reverse commute. It is also unclear whether the schedule of buses/trains will meet the needs of facility occupants/visitors during off peak times during the day or for after school activities. Please note that as a resident of Bellevue Hill, I have seen how even small projects on the West Roxbury Pkwy increase speeding traffic on the carriage roads and on nearby neighborhood streets, and how it can be nearly impossible to access the West Roxbury Pkwy during rush hour. Commuters to and from the 361 facility will add to local traffic, create gridlock, and cause a greater influx of cars onto secondary roads to create unsafe residential streets. Parking. The current proposal has 46 parking sites under the building and 30 available for valet parking. This number is still inadequate to handle staff plus visitors.</p>

					<p>It is unclear whether valet parking and parking garage facilities will be available for visitors at all school events. Without valet parking there is only approximately 20 available above ground parking spots. Nonetheless, events that draw large numbers of visitors will increase parking on local streets or in nearby municipal lots, displacing neighboring residents, their guests, and/or local business customers. Overcrowding and Safety. The current plan has reduced the size of the building as well as the number of occupants from the initial proposal. However, the current plan is for an approximately 54 % smaller building to accommodate 68 % of the original target occupants (students plus staff). Thus, the current facility has a greater density than the original plan!! Some questions need to be addressed regarding the rooftop courtyards. Are these accounted for in the total space calculation? What is the square footage of each of them? Could these courtyards ever be enclosed to add space? There are many safety concerns including those arising from the tremendous increase of pedestrian traffic in the area.</p>
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				<p>In addition, there are concerns regarding overcrowding of the train station and bus stops given the large number of commuters who will need access at the same time (420 students are estimated to commute by bus and the closest stops to the facility are shared by the majority of the bus lines). Also, there are safety issues regarding areas for students to congregate before and after school or school events, as well as issues concerning where students and staff can go in emergencies. Other thoughts and concerns. I feel that the developers of this project have missed the mark. This inadequate site will be crowded with no outdoor space for recreation and team activities. I hope that Roxbury Preparatory Charter School will pursue other local options that can allow adequate indoor and outdoor space (West Roxbury Education Complex comes to mind as an ideal spot). Overall, the current plan is puzzling because the facility is not large enough to accommodate all of the students within the Roxbury Preparatory Charter System.</p>
				<p>In the Roxbury Prep Charter School 2016/2017 annual report, under "Capital plan FY 2018" was a list concerning a planned high school. At the top of the list was "1. Will need to accommodate up 850 students and 70 staff members; requiring a minimum of 60,000 square feet". Thus, it seems to me that there will be tremendous pressure on Roxbury Prep to expand and add to the 361 Belgrade facility. (It would be tremendously unfair to the local community should the project be amended after it is built to expand the size and occupancy.) To summarize, for many reasons, including those detailed above, I am totally opposed to the planned facility at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Thank you to the Boston Planning &amp; Development Agency for considering my opposition to this project.</p>

1/29/2019	Freddie	Palmer	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/29/2019	Cory Don	Merritt		Support	I support this project because students deserve facilities that facilitate the development of community, and that are conducive to learning. Currently, Roxbury Prep High School students are in separate learning facilities (grades 9, 10 and 11, 12.) They deserve a dignified, state-of-the-art space that allows all high school students to learn and grow as one positive unit in each other's lives, the Roslindale neighborhood and eventually the broader global community.
1/29/2019	Olumide	Olukoga		Support	The kids at RPHS need a building. The kids deserve it and complaining about why are kids shouldn't get the building shows us the history that Boston has with kids in the inner city.
1/29/2019	Catherine	Kelley		Support	My husband and I think a high school in the neighborhood would be good for Roslindale. Now that they have reduced the proposed height of the building and also the size of the school population, we think the neighborhood concerns have been addressed. We support the project. We do not have safety concerns, although we live some 5 minute walk from that site

1/29/2019	Martha	Echan	Mrs	Oppose	<p>I am writing to express opposition to the proposal to build Roxbury Prep, a 500+ student Charter High School, at 361 Belgrade Ave., Roslindale. I am an abutter on Beech Street right at the intersection with Anawan Avenue and the West Roxbury Parkway. A project of this size and density will only increase the amount of congestion in an already heavily trafficked, main route into the downtown Boston area. The school's own reports state that traffic on Belgrade and Anawan Avenues will decrease to "F". Combined with more traffic generated by the 3 other projects already approved within a few 100 yards of the proposed school location, this creates ongoing unacceptable conditions for the surround residents. At one of the very early community meetings, the school stated that the majority of their students will use public transportation in a reverse commute. As it stands currently the commuter rail serves approximately 400 people at most over the course of the day at the station. It is unreasonable to expect that the commuter rail could handle 300-400 arriving at one time regardless of direction of travel. They would need to add cars and staff.</p>
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					<p>The school has shown no evidence of concrete agreements with the MBTA proving they are willing or able to handle out this "reverse" commute and data they provided in their report was from 2011!! There also wasn't any mention of ability to increase the number of buses running to and from Forest Hills, but again this would increase traffic congestion on the roadways, and Belgrade Avenue to Roslindale Square is already at a standstill in the afternoon rush hour. The local area bus stops (all on the opposite sides of street from the school) cannot safely handle the hundreds of kids leaving school. The proposed "Kiss and Drop" at the end of Anawan Ave., allowing parents to circle in to drop students off, will cause huge back ups on Belgrade Ave. in both directions at the height of commute times in the area. Cars entering the turn around on Anawan will also directly block the ONLY driveway access to the condos next door at 345 Belgrade. At the recent pro-school rally families were told the facility would be used for events for all grades of the school. This is extremely alarming from a parking standpoint. Where do all those cars park for sporting events, graduations, performances, fund raisers etc.?</p>
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				<p>Evening hours when residents are home leave little if any open street parking spaces on Belgrade or any other street in this already dense area. The limited parking at the school would not be nearly enough if even a fraction of the 500+ students' families chose to attend events. I would hate to arrive home after my commute to find all street parking in the area clogged with people attending school events. It is also my opinion that the location is a huge safety concern! When I worked for BPS, there were two mandatory fire drills each year. Where do 500+ students, faculty and staff safely go should there be a catastrophic emergency such as a fire? They are bound on one side by the commuter tracks, and have two major roadways and intersections on the other side. Using the small commuter rail parking lot is not viable as it would entail crossing the tracks, and it would be full of cars. If students must go across Belgrade or head towards the Parkway, that is directly in the path of services (police and fire) rushing to the scene.</p>
				<p>Would students then be lining the sidewalks for blocks? What would happen if they are unable to return to the school? It would be very unsafe for the students and drivers alike, not having removed spaces large enough for the children to regroup so arrangements could be made to get them safely home. Will the current municipal services (police, fire, ambulance, transit) be adequate to support the addition of a school this size, as well as the other three housing projects already approved for the immediate area (317 Belgrade, 400 Belgrade and 1721 Centre Street)? I certainly believe all families in Boston deserve quality public school education choices and do not wish to deny anyone those choices. However, as a homeowner and abutter, I feel I must speak out against building the school at this location. Simply put it is the wrong place for a project of that size and density.</p>

					<p>The safety issues and increased traffic and congestion caused will have an immediate and dramatically negative effect on the neighborhood and day to day living. The area would be better served by putting in affordable senior housing possibly with limited commercial businesses at street level. Too many seniors who were born and raised families here but now wish to downsize from the responsibilities of a single family home, are being forced out of the city because they can't afford the "luxury rentals" being built. I hope you will take my concerns and those of my neighbors who feel the same into consideration, and support our efforts to prevent this project from moving forward. Sincerely, Martha Echan</p>
1/29/2019	Heidi	Weston		Oppose	<p>This is why I oppose the school: 1) I oppose this type of charter school. Their attrition rate is too high and if they are going to receive \$ from BPS then they should have to follow every single step BPS has to before getting rid of a child. I want my tax dollars educating all children in the city not just the easy ones. Never mind the fact that when they do get rid of a kid the \$ doesn't go back into BPS. They get to keep it...that's just bs. 2) they have lied to the abutters since day 1. Every person /group they met with they changed the size of the student body. We've gone from 250, to 400, to 600, to 700, to 900 and now back to under 600. What happened to the dedicated staff that so believed in this new school and that we could call him if there was an issue? He's no longer with the school. Not so dedicated. 3) the size. Kids need room to breathe and places to go. We have pure shite on that end of Belgrade. 4) the teachers are not part of the union Best, HW</p>
1/29/2019	Hashim	Roach	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to have a facility, where they can be one community and have the space where they can explore different interest, careers, activities, and more. Roxbury Prep will contribute to the community, not take away. They will bring diversity and much more.</p>



1/29/2019	Ben	Schwendener		Support	I support the RPHS building in Roslindale
1/29/2019	Ben	Schwendener		Support	I support the RPHS building in Roslindale
1/30/2019	Kristin	McSwain	resident	Support	I would like to see this space used by the school. We have no public high schools in Roslindale. I am only sorry that they have reduced the size as there is tremendous need.
1/30/2019	Alexa	Miguel		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
1/30/2019	Leo	Karapetian		Oppose	The proposed location at 361 Belgrade ave. is inappropriate for a school building housing 600 (perhaps more) individuals due to lot size, and predictable traffic gridlock during morning and evening hours. 361 Belgrade is situated at the intersection with West Roxbury Parkway, a major artery. Belgrade Ave. along its length, has apartment buildings, condominiums, local businesses , such as dry cleaners, car repair shops, used car lot lots, restaurants and several convenience stores. The West Roxbury High school at VFW Parkway is scheduled for closing due to under enrollment and maintenance issues. The existing building is huge and more than adequate to contain the 600 student and faculty. It also contains a gymnasium and outdoor field. Are the developers aware of sudden availability of this property?

1/30/2019	Leo	Karapetian		Oppose	Siting a high school for 600 individuals at 361 Belgrade Ave.would be a great error and be detrimental to our community. The site is too small for such use; it will cause major traffic problems along Belgrade Ave. at the intersection of West Roxbury Parkway, a major artery during rush hour. West Roxbury High School at VFW Parkway is scheduled for closing due to under enrollment and maintenance issues. I urge the developers to obtain this property. They could consolidate their campus into one building and still have room for future expansion. The building was designed as a school and it would be a shame to have it converted to some commercial use.
1/30/2019	Adam	Finelli		Support	I will welcome a high-quality school into my neighborhood.

1/30/2019	Martha	Echan	Mrs	Oppose	<p>I am writing to express opposition to the proposal to build Roxbury Prep, a 500+ student Charter High School, at 361 Belgrade Ave., Roslindale. I am an abutter on Beech Street right at the intersection with Anawan Avenue and the West Roxbury Parkway. A project of this size and density will only increase the amount of congestion in an already heavily trafficked, main route into the downtown Boston area. The school's own reports state that traffic on Belgrade and Anawan Avenues will decrease to "F". Combined with more traffic generated by the 3 other projects already approved within a few 100 yards of the proposed school location, this creates ongoing unacceptable conditions for the surround residents. At one of the very early community meetings, the school stated that the majority of their students will use public transportation in a reverse commute. As it stands currently the commuter rail serves approximately 400 people at most over the course of the day at the station. It is unreasonable to expect that the commuter rail could handle 300-400 arriving at one time regardless of direction of travel. They would need to add cars and staff. The school has shown no evidence of concrete agreements with the MBTA proving they are willing or able to handle out this "reverse" commute and data they provided in their report was from 2011!!</p>
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					<p>There also wasn't any mention of ability to increase the number of buses running to and from Forest Hills, but again this would increase traffic congestion on the roadways, and Belgrade Avenue to Roslindale Square is already at a standstill in the afternoon rush hour. The local area bus stops (all on the opposite sides of street from the school) cannot safely handle the hundreds of kids leaving school. The proposed "Kiss and Drop" at the end of Anawan Ave., allowing parents to circle in to drop students off, will cause huge back ups on Belgrade Ave. in both directions at the height of commute times in the area. Cars entering the turn around on Anawan will also directly block the ONLY driveway access to the condos next door at 345 Belgrade. At the recent pro-school rally families were told the facility would be used for events for all grades of the school. This is extremely alarming from a parking standpoint. Where do all those cars park for sporting events, graduations, performances, fund raisers etc.? Evening hours when residents are home leave little if any open street parking spaces on Belgrade or any other street in this already dense area. The limited parking at the school would not be nearly enough if even a fraction of the 500+ students' families chose to attend events.</p>
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					<p>I would hate to arrive home after my commute to find all street parking in the area clogged with people attending school events. It is also my opinion that the location is a huge safety concern! When I worked for BPS, there were two mandatory fire drills each year. Where do 500+ students, faculty and staff safely go should there be a catastrophic emergency such as a fire? They are bound on one side by the commuter tracks, and have two major roadways and intersections on the other side. Using the small commuter rail parking lot is not viable as it would entail crossing the tracks, and it would be full of cars. If students must go across Belgrade or head towards the Parkway, that is directly in the path of services (police and fire) rushing to the scene. Would students then be lining the sidewalks for blocks? What would happen if they are unable to return to the school? It would be very unsafe for the students and drivers alike, not having removed spaces large enough for the children to regroup so arrangements could be made to get them safely home. Will the current municipal services (police, fire, ambulance, transit) be adequate to support the addition of a school this size, as well as the other three housing projects already approved for the immediate area (317 Belgrade, 400 Belgrade and 1721 Centre Street)?</p>
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					<p>I certainly believe all families in Boston deserve quality public school education choices and do not wish to deny anyone those choices. However, as a homeowner and abutter, I feel I must speak out against building the school at this location. Simply put it is the wrong place for a project of that size and density. The safety issues and increased traffic and congestion caused will have an immediate and dramatically negative effect on the neighborhood and day to day living. The area would be better served by putting in affordable senior housing possibly with limited commercial businesses at street level. Too many seniors who were born and raised families here but now wish to downsize from the responsibilities of a single family home, are being forced out of the city because they can't afford the "luxury rentals" being built. I hope you will take my concerns and those of my neighbors who feel the same into consideration, and support our efforts to prevent this project from moving forward. Sincerely, Martha Echan</p>
1/30/2019	Bruno	Giordano	1967	Oppose	<p>Tonight was the community meeting held at the Annunciation church and the project team has again shown they do not have the answers to the questions that concern the community that would be affected by this project. They have not addressed concerns over parking or traffic which their report shows will degrade to LOS of F. They claim to be talking to the MBTA about modifying schedules or adding stops when they can show no records of these discussions. They haven't addressed how routes in both directions will be impacted by 500-600 additional riders. They don't address how the majority of students will have longer commutes. They claim to be listening to the feedback and reduced the size of the school when most people including local officials feel this is the wrong location for any school of any size. They refuse to admit that more students will drive or get dropped off than currently. This school needs to be near a transit hub to handle the number of people and this site is far from one.</p>

1/31/2019	Raina	Santucci		Support	<p>I support the building of Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade. While I understand that there is concern about traffic impact, I fear the school has become a punching bag for a larger issue: over development with no thoughtful planning for community impact. The laughter that was elicited from the "traffic study" citing only a few seconds delay in traffic is a good indicator of the community's appetite for another unchecked development adding cars to the streets. I personally don't agree that the school is the villain in this story, and MUCH prefer a school to yet another overcrowded apartment complex. I appreciate your concern for the community and ask for your support of a building that augments the community overall. I support Roxbury Prep.</p>
1/31/2019	Mark	Bauer	Roslindale Resident	Support	<p>I am a Roslindale resident and frequently travel through the Belgrade/Parkway/Anawan intersection. I attended the Roxbury Prep community meeting sponsored by the Boston Planning and Development Agency last night, January 30 and listened intently to the discussion. It is clear that traffic and mass transit load will increase in the area immediately around the school at certain times during the day. Compared to having a vacant car dealership there, what else is to be expected? Any development of that site, including condos or apartments, would also increase traffic. After all, as one community member commented, it's Boston. To provide a viable school building for this excellent high school is part of our social commitment as a community to provide for the next generation. We have done so for decades building both public and charter schools. Social commitments have to be placed in someone's backyard. Why this particular project is being scrutinized so exceedingly carefully is open to debate. As was mentioned, Holy Name School causes substantial delays in commute times through that area and yet Holy Name is considered part of the community and people accept the disruption. Themes of race whirled below the surface of last night's discussion and emerged at times with the least provocation.</p>

				<p>That does not mean that the opposition is racist, or that proponents are playing "the race card." What is clear, however, is that a vocal segment of the West Roxbury and Roslindale populace political and community power have rallied to a remarkable extent to fight the placement of Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade?the "Stop 361 Belgrade" banners hanging in the neighborhood are ample proof of that. And yet we have a commitment to provide for our next generation. Where racism is unarguably an issue is not in the actions or feelings of individuals present last night, but in our history and in the institutional and structural residue of centuries of racism in our society, including here in Boston. Opponents in a neighborhood of plenty (or at least adequacy) like West Roxbury and Roslindale have the wherewithal to commit their time and their intellectual and monetary resources to fighting for what they want. Disadvantaged people of color, whose children make up the vast majority of Roxbury Prep's student body, often work multiple jobs or are unable to get to places off public transit lines (like 7 VFW Parkway where the discussion was held). They do not have the same ease and capability as the middle and upper classes?and yet as you saw, they came in droves to last night's discussion. It is the mandate of the BPDA to be good stewards of our resources to benefit the residents of our great city.</p>
				<p>This means working to level the playing field after centuries of explicit racism and its structural residue. Do not take too seriously the squeaky wheels whose traffic time will likely increase?a bit?as it will for all of us. It's in the public interest to permit Roxbury Prep to build at 361 Belgrade. Yes, in my backyard!</p>



1/31/2019	Todd	Wyner		Oppose	<p>To whom it may concern: I strongly oppose the construction of Roxbury Prep in its current proposed location under its revised scope and elevation. By now you have heard from both proponents and opponents of this project. Objections to it include traffic congestion, noise pollution, loitering/vandalism, inferior population:physical space ratio (i.e., students and faculty vs. physical plant of proposed facility), and commuter rail usage and management. No one so far as I know has articulated the genuine risk of constructing a high-density school literally on the boundary of a commuter rail train stop which has the only unguarded train crossing on the entire Needham Heights line. That is correct: to board either inbound or outbound trains, passengers from the Belgrade side of the line must physically cross the train tracks - -there is no overpass or below-grade tunnel in the immediate location of the proposed school and Belleview train station. Note: there is another below-grade crossing tunnel at the inbound end of the station but Roxbury Prep would be situated at the outbound end of the station and that is where the unguarded crossing exists. I use that commuter rail station daily. I and my fellow riders frequently shout out to running pedestrians attempting to beat the train who cross directly in front of the oncoming train in a feat of absurd stupidity.</p>
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					<p>In late June 2008, during the very late afternoon hours, two local Roslindale teenage boys were walking the train tracks. Nicholas Scaringello (sp?) wore headphones that afternoon when he was fatally struck by an inbound train. I had the tragic experience of witnessing his remains further down the station on the asphalt right in front of the covered benches as I exited the auxiliary buses which had been deployed when rail traffic on that line was halted due to the fatal accident. How in good conscience can any developer or proponent of this project reconcile the ostensible benefits of it vs. the dangers and risks associated with the BELLEVIEW station? As other opponents have stated, I repeat the question "why don't developers and proponents examine alternative (and abundant) space availability on VFW Parkway at the location of the soon-to-close West Roxbury HS?"</p>
					<p>The same commuter rail line traverses that quadrant and negotiations with MBTA and Commuter Rail to install a new station for the benefit of RP students and staff would need to commence. However, considering all of the aesthetic and physical problems of the Belgrade Avenue site, coupled with the tragic history of the train tracks at Belleview Station, I choose to believe cooler heads would prevail in reaching a compromise to approve and build a new station/train stop near West Roxbury High School.</p>
					<p>Thank you for your time and attention to this vital aspect of this project. Sincerely, Todd E. Wyner 18 Allenwood St. West Roxbury MA 02132 tewyner@hotmail.com 617-323-6337 617-676-5206 (mobile)</p>
1/31/2019	Cassandra	Velazquez		Support	<p>Hi I appreciate that Roxbury Prep HS listened to community concerns and changed the project. I look forward to it actually getting built. I think it brings great value to the neighborhood and prefer it to all of the luxury condos being built on Belgrade. I also look forward to experiencing how RoxPrep shares some of it facilities with the community AND appreciate that they have that in mind.</p>

1/31/2019	Rachel	Young	LANA	Support	<p>I was not allowed to share my full comments at the January 30th public hearing as the BPDA did not deem them topical. I am submitting them for the record: My name is Rachel Young. I am an architect and a planner and my firm has had numerous projects before the BPDA. I thought as planners you might appreciate some some technical data: 1. Number of stories: 4 2. Lot coverage: 100% 3. Onsite parking: 0 4. Green space: none 5. Student population: 600 To help everyone visualize this who isn't a wonk, imagine a school fifty feet tall that extends from sidewalk to sidewalk without any outdoor space. Oh and while not a data point, it's worth mentioning that this school is also managed by a third party nonprofit. You may be surprised to hear that I am not talking about the proposed Roxbury Prep High School. I am actually talking about the most recent BPS school to be built, the Dearborn just off of Dudley Square. By all measures the Dearborn, and for that matter the average sized public Boston high school is much larger than the Rox Prep school. But ironically, opposition to the Dearborn dwarfs in comparison to the criticism of the proposed Rox Prep school. So I ask you, what accounts for the difference? Why do we sanction the Dearborn while we scorn Rox Prep?</p>
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					<p>The only logical answer I have is that it's not about a school's physical attributes, it's about the mindset of the host community, and the fair mindedness of our community leaders. I feel privileged to live in Roslindale. I spent much of my childhood growing up in a trailer park. I feel privileged to have, but not entitled to, the seemingly perfect city life. We enjoy access to public amenities but they aren't too close by. I literally live a stone's throw from the train tracks, but as neighbors are apt to remind me "on the right side." We also enjoy access to city politicians, but unfortunately our voices are prioritized over others. This needs to change. Our city is growing. We need more schools. In the last decade, a new school, in some instances multiple schools, have been built in almost every neighborhood in the city except ours. This is not logical planning.</p>
					<p>But to those neighbors who say "it's not fair, I never expected or wanted to live next to a school," I'd like to remind them that we all chose to live next to a large underdeveloped lot that is zoned educational. And there's a good reason that site is zoned educational; it's because municipal planners recognized the site was a good place for a school. City planners, like you, had the forethought to envision a school at 361 Belgrade. I ask you to share that vision too. I am disappointed at the bias the BPDA showed at yesterday's evening, allowing hecklers to silence me.</p>
1/31/2019	Joseph	DeMasi		Support	<p>I support this project. I live less than one mile from the site. Boston could use a new school. We need more and better choices for our kids. People complain about traffic - but where should we put schools? In commercial areas? No, they belong in neighborhoods. I support this neighborhood school. We like in a city. If people don't like it, they can move to the suburbs.</p>

1/31/2019	Ginny	Gass	Bellevue Hill Improvement Association	Oppose	West Roxbury will be drastically affected by the traffic caused by the Rox Prep School, yet Roslindale will hardly be affected at all. An estimate of F rating at the intersection of Anawan and Belgrade once the school is constructed is to put thousands of working commuters at further peril just to get through an intersection to travel to work. What are you people thinking of??? Our neighborhood association, Bellevue Hill Improvement Association, is opposed to the building of any school at this location.
1/31/2019	Robin	Fabiano		Oppose	I was at the local meeting last night (1/30), live adjacent to the project, my quality of living would be directly impacted and spoke about my opposition of the project, I've also left a previous comment. However as I was ending my comment, the transportation manger for the development responded to my concern about increased commuter rail stops by saying "they are already running at that time- it won't be a new train." HOWEVER- it would be a new stop. This is a commuter line- not public transport/MBTA. It's purpose is for commuters to get in and out of the city. It's not for daily travel to and from the neighborhood. At peak times, maximum of 15 people exit the Bellevue train stop. This project is proposing approx 300 ish per day (maybe more but - a fraction of the 562 students + staff and any family members, student teachers, volunteers etc. that comes along with a school) get off at that stop. Can you picture that many people exiting or waiting for the train each day? This neighborhood is not meant for that volume! It would immobilize us- that's more than South Station or Back Bay volume of people at one time... NOT meant for a neighborhood stop in Roslindale. Also- while I'm sure there are plans, I'm curious if people are considering the impact of things like fire drills, evaluations etc. on the neighbors?

					It would make sense if the school exited to the commuter rail lot during a fire drill- when filled with cars, that would be an unmanageable. Plus what would happen if there was an evacuation while a train is pulling up or idling? I work at a high school and we've had 3 unplanned drills due to vaping this month. The impact on traffic and the neighborhood is real. Plus, I lived next to English High for 10 years and experienced first hand unplanned fire drills- and they had the space around the building to deal with it and it was still an interruption. The people in support of this project are certainly speaking from the heart and have an emotional investment- however the city has an obligation to consider the real impact on the community - this plot of land and it's configuration so close to the intersection and rail yard is not appropriate for a school or building with that volume of people. I urge you to oppose this project.
2/1/2019	Shirley	Walsh	Stratford/Clement Area Organization	Oppose	Please do NOT approve this proposal. I am an engineer. The math does not work. The traffic will be in a perpetually clogged state. It is already quite difficult to navigate during normal commute and school hours. How can a project with an F rating possibly be acceptable? I am out of town caring for my elderly father else I would have attended. Thank you for your consideration.
2/1/2019	Michele	Sdougas		Oppose	Too big a structure on too small of a lot at a bridged intersection! Too dense a proposed use on a corner lot at an already clogged 4 way road. An absolutely detrimental addition to the neighborhood. What is to become of WR Education complex? New sports fields there? BPDA should say NO to this proposal!!!
2/1/2019	ERNEST	BARSAMIAN		Oppose	I have lived and worked in West Roxbury for almost 60 years. I have been the Chief of Staff at the WR VA Hospital, President of the Rotary and many other community organizations. It does not benefit the community to approve a project that would cause a level F service traffic problem - which would ripple into the other already crowded nearby streets. Please DO NOT approve this project. Thank you. Ernest M. Barsamian, MD.

2/1/2019	Mary Ann	Saunders	Resident	Oppose	Traffic at the West Roxbury Pkwy & Belgrade Avenue intersection has long been heavy & difficult. A new school at this location would increase traffic & cause further congestion. For this reason, as well as safety issues, I am completely opposed to the location of this charter school.
2/2/2019	Martha	Echan	Mrs	Oppose	I am among the hundreds of immediate neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at that location that will accommodate 500+ individuals. After attending the meeting tonight at the church on the VFW Parkway to discuss the changes made to the original proposal I am even MORE discouraged about this project as proposed. What should have been a meeting to discuss specific concerns and have important questions answered, was allowed to turn into a "pep rally" of sorts by people just giving speeches and stating their support of the school. This drastically cut into time which could have been used to discuss the very real concerns of those opposed to the project, and hopefully provide some concrete answers. I was even more shocked to hear over and over again from the school representatives/builders etc., "...we are looking into that...", "...we are still trying to figure that out...", "...We don't know exactly how many/much/long...", "...we are in discussions with...", specifically in regards to actual transportation plans to accommodate the influx of 100s of students by rail and bus on a daily basis. Just because a "reverse commute" sounds great and you really hope it works, doesn't mean it will.

					<p>You can't just "add stops" to a timed train schedule (one of the "we're in discussions with MBTA" ) without a severe ripple effect on every stop following (coming or going). There was no representative from the MBTA nor any commitment from them, indicating that they are willing to do this, or that current schedules of rail and buses could even handle this load. I really hoped the builders/school reps. would have provided some real information and solutions at this meeting instead of just presenting a scaled down version of the school and telling us they "listened to the community". After all this time they should have had solid answers for the surrounding neighbors to address our concerns and they did not! There is enough opposition and concern about this that two local and three state politicians have jointly submitted a letter opposing the project. I think the school is doing great things for the students, unfortunately it is just in the wrong location. I urge the BPDA will seriously consider how many REAL unknowns and unresolved questions still remain about this project, and not allow it to move forward. Thank you, Martha Echan 94 Beech St., Roslindale</p>
2/2/2019	Mariela	Santana		Support	<p>I think they should support the school because I believe we deserve more space for more activities and have a better learning environment and so all the grades can come together as a community,we've been waiting for this school for a while and only because we are people or color doesn't mean we don't deserve that learning space</p>



2/3/2019	Evelyn	Bone		Oppose	That is an extremely busy traffic 4 corner intersection. To begin with the disruption, traffic difficulties and dangers that demolition will bring because of the location is not acceptable. We do not need more traffic, and buses using Belgrade, it is already extremely busy. There is also a train line directly behind that location. That is not a safe location for more hundreds of children coming and going. There is already a school only a few blocks from that location but it is on higher ground and set back with a parking lot so it is not right on main streets where children enter and exit the school. This is possibly one of the worst choices of location for a children's school.
2/3/2019	Michael	Fitzgerald		Support	I am in favor of this project. The proposal is well thought out, has been refined numerous times in response to feedback from multiple community meetings and is an excellent use of the site as well as makes use of existing public transportation for the majority of the students who will attend. The main area of opposition seems to be concerns regarding increased traffic, but the public transportation buses and commuter rail trans will be present whether this project is built or not. The benefits this school would bring to the students and community far out-weight what appears to be minimal impact to traffic. At a time when Boston has already announced its intention to close the West Roxbury high school complex, this school will help fill the void and give students who truly want to better themselves an opportunity to do so at a new, state-of-the-art school that will not require public funding.
2/4/2019	Rebecca	Alford		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Marjorie	Hinds		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Blessing	Ameniwewe		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Fritzmael	Dericin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Marie	Telfort		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Henriquet	Cawalha		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Phyllis	Kelly		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Gavin	Callender		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Abdi	Ali		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Caresha	Pressey		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Adly	Telfort		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Qutul-Qulub	Greene		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Fos	Mohamed		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Venecia	Chavez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Kaisha	Vanderhorst		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Lidwine	Mapaga		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Arnolda	Kassim		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Goddy	Ogbebor		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Charlena	Jarrett		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Francisco	Del Rosario		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Oluebube	Okafor		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Shaleeda	Barboza		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Rhyheemma	Burns		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Herman	Powell		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Omariesh	Melo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/4/2019	Maria	De La Cruz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/4/2019	Abdinasir	Yahie		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Jenny	Sugilio		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Shontee	Cooley		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/4/2019	Brendaly	Torres		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/4/2019	Bridgett	Thompson		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/4/2019	Jose	Pina		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Schlandra	Seymore		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Annette	Lewis		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Barbara	Seigler		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Antonia	Barros		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.



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2/4/2019	Ronald	Williams		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Andrew	Bobenski		Support	Boston sorely lacks school options (we are a young family who is all to aware of this problem) and this is a wonderful school seeking to locate in an area where it is very much needed. Neighbors who oppose this solely are doing so due to a misguided concern that it may in some way inconvenience them (which the school has been more than accommodating in addressing). The good of this project far exceeds any perceived negatives (which are incorrect in the first place). Please approve!
2/4/2019	Verdette	Meade		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Claudia	Pimentel		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/4/2019	Allison	Kelly		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Alvin	Kelly		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Carolyne	Kelly		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Judith	Dahn		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Jehovala	Cesar		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Ana	Gonzalez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Yesenia	Figueroa		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Rafaela	Martinez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Angely	Amaya		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Rafael	Garcia		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Edith	Franklin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Iesha	Mayfield		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Ana	Carreia		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Latanya	Turner		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Elimin	Tejada		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Reecie-Ann	Reid		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Zakia	Boston		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Kendal	Gray		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Jessi	Ruiz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Takeyah	Barrows		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/4/2019	Larissa	Perez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Miguel	Gomes		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Shirley	Henry		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Tiffany	Carter		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Eve	Velazquez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Mohamed	Abdi		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Lillian	Perez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Yakaira	Castillo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/4/2019	Jessica	Burns		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Dani	Castillo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Wendy	Melo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/4/2019	Antonia	Fernandes		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/4/2019	Barbara	Martinez		Support	<p>While I would much rather see a BPS public school built in this location rather than a charter school, I am supportive of a school going in this location. I live walking distance from this site, and do not believe that excessive traffic would be a significant concern, as long as well-planned. I would hope that if public funding goes to this school, that all Boston children, regardless of abilities, would be able to succeed and thrive in this location. Public funds require public oversight, and public accessibility. Every child in every corner of this city deserves a world-class education. I hope this school can be a part of that.</p>
2/5/2019	Maureen	Hickey		Support	<p>I am writing to express my support for the Roxbury Prep development proposal for 361 Belgrade Ave. I live very close to the site and I think this will activate Belgrade Avenue in a wonderful way. In addition, it will offer a high quality education to Boston residents. Finally, I believe that the school's focus on relying primarily on the existing public transportation in the area, particularly with a "reverse commute" flow and slightly off hours usage makes this a perfect use to replace a vacant auto-centric building. The increase in building density over the existing zoning is minor and should not be an impediment to approval. I hope that the BRA board and Mayor Marty Walsh approve this proposed project expediently.</p>
2/5/2019	Rene	Haile		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. Additionally, given the deplorable history of bussing, school-access, and educational equity in the city of Boston, it is incumbent on the city to overcome inconveniences in the name of opportunities for all students.</p>



2/5/2019	Shane	Dunn		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue because the young people -- including future students -- of Roxbury Prep deserve to be in one facility throughout their time in high school. The more our city, including individual neighborhoods, invests in education the better off our city and society will be. Roxbury Prep will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. I attended last week's meeting in West Roxbury and was impressed by how the project team altered the project plans in response to community feedback. Please approve 361 Belgrade! Thank you.
2/5/2019	Catherine	Armstrong		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's project to build a new high school because these students deserve to be in one, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/5/2019	Michelle	Prendergast		Oppose	I live .2 miles from the site for 22 years. Prior to that I lived on Montvale st which is right around the corner and where my parents. This proposal will add congestion into that area of the city and all the way from Forest Hills. A Roxbury charter school is not appropriate in Roslindale. This school offers nothing to the neighborhood except for head aches. This proposal should be rejected. Neighborhood views should be considered.
2/5/2019	Patrick	Cahill		Oppose	I strongly oppose this proposal. There is no need to bring in kids from a completely different neighborhood. This will bring too much congestion to this area with already recently built apartments. This does not help our neighborhood at all.

2/5/2019	Maurice	Prendergsst		Oppose	This proposal is obscure and utterly ridiculous. There is no value add to the neighbors and neighborhoods. The charter school should reside in the town where the students are from. This will cause congestion to that area and around it to compensate for the Belgrade traffic. This needs to be rejected.
2/6/2019	Aileen	Montour	RISE-Roslindale IS for Everyone	Support	I am writing in support of the 361 Belgrade Ave site as the future home of Roxbury Prep High School. I am a neighbor of the proposed site (.8 miles away) and believe that the complaints about traffic, parking and congestion have been more than adequately addressed with the reduction in proposed size of the project. My neighbors have 2 children attending this school now, receiving an excellent education and would love the option for them and other students to walk to school. I strongly believe we should be welcoming all students to our neighborhood - Roslindale/West Roxbury should be a safe and welcoming place for all students, inclusive of any differences. I strongly welcome Roxbury Prep High School to the neighborhood.

2/6/2019	susan	donlan		Oppose	Dear Aisling, As we wind up our comment period, I hope the meeting next week will give more credence to those opposed to the site. We felt the opposing side was strongly favored during the last meeting. Many local comments were summarily dismissed as having no pertinence to the project while the opposing side comments were all deemed pertinent no matter what they were. The BPDA will be establishing a precedent for auto repair shops, gas stations etc to be leased for school use without a fair thorough EPA inspection. How many years does a auto repair shop have to exist before it is considered environmentally dangerous to children- seventy years is a reasonable number. We may even be the first city in the US to establish such a precedent. Why is this site the cheapest of all? The courts should look into this situation. Do we really care about this group of children We place them on to of a train track cornered on two dangerous streets, on meager polluted land, in a school where one out of three students entering in the fifth grade is allowed to graduate with the proper stats to make this group look good. What happens to the other two students?
					We are very disappointed in the BPDA for pushing this project on the students and the residents of Roslindale West Roxbury and all the commuters who pass through every day causing havoc for all concerned just to let a tax shelter make money. What is the deal?
2/6/2019	Francis	Rogers	Neighborhood Resident	Support	This is a project that will be not only a change from the eyesore of a building that is currently there, but it will bring a much needed resource to the Roslindale Community. I'm for Roxbury Prep
2/6/2019	Maria R.	Carmona		Support	I support the project for RPHS to be built that Belgrave. As a resident of the community and parent of a RPHS student, this site is the best site for the school

2/6/2019	Glynys	Thomas		Oppose	<p>The West Roxbury neighborhood has two large private schools, the Roxbury Prep and Holy Name as well as the public school on the VFW Parkway. Residents should not be forced to tolerate yet another large school in the middle of the neighborhood. The proposed site for the construction of the prep school is reminiscent of the Curley school complex situated in Jamaica Plain. That school, however, had far more space and substantial parking along with similar proximity to public transit via trains and buses. That school and its buses caused innumerable headaches for the residents of JP including daily noise, pollution, massive traffic snarls and school personnel forced to chaperone groups of students through the neighborhood to and from the public transit in order to prevent them from destroying residents' property which they did, often in groups, regularly, including breaking and entering, theft and destruction of windows, cars, etc. The proposed prep school site has no suitable outdoor space to accommodate students to wait for public transit. It fronts on a busy main artery on one side and a commuter rail on the other leading to another main thoroughfare. It will wedge a swathe of neighborhood between two existing schools ? the Holy Name complex and the proposed prep itself.</p>
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				<p>Studies indicate charters do no better job of educating students than public schools do, but it is widely known that charter schools drain funds from public school budget allocations, cherry pick the best students and talent, (leaving public schools underfunded, understaffed and overwhelmed with the most demanding students) and that they undermine teachers? collective bargaining units and, perhaps less widely known, they utilize our tax dollars on behalf of private equity investors ? not the public to whom schools are responsible ? by engaging so-called charter management companies to turn our public schools into a money machine for private investors. When the money machines fail, the schools fail and leave the tax payer with no money and our children with no school. No to Belgrade Avenue. No to irresponsible construction. No to the theft of our tax money by charters. Yes to repairing, reopening, maintaining and funding our legitimate public school on VFW Parkway.</p>

2/6/2019	Lisa	Wong		Support	Our children need updated schools and I whole heartedly support Roxbury Prep moving here. Many of the opposition are thinking of their own personal commutes in the guise of public safety. Providing our children a quality education in an updated and safe building would be in the best interest in the future and development of Boston
2/7/2019	Elizabeth	Rogers		Support	The current lot is an eyesore! I'm hoping it can be put to better use, and I think Roxbury Prep is a great idea for the space. I am in favor of a high quality facility for the students, and think the location on a bus and commuter line is ideal.
2/7/2019	DeLane	Anderson Jr	Attorney; Colonel, USMCR (retired)	Oppose	I oppose for the following reasons: 1). The state and federal environmental protection agencies must perform testing of the proposed site for toxic contaminants in the air, water, and land at 361 Belgrade Avenue. This location was used for commercial auto repair work since 1949. No detailed pollution report or testing has been done to ensure the health and safety of the proposed 562 students, 67 teachers and staff, plus numerous parents and visitors. 2). The size and space are still inadequate for the anticipated number of students, teachers, staff, parents, and visitors. 3). Traffic and congestion are serious problems at this proposed site bounded by Belgrade Avenue, Anawan Avenue, the West Roxbury Parkway, and the MBTA Commuter Rail(Belleview Station). Sincerely, DeLane E. Anderson, Jr.

2/7/2019	Ginny	Gass	Bellevue Hill Improvement Association	Oppose	<p>I am writing on behalf of the Bellevue Hill Improvement Association, West Roxbury's oldest neighborhood association and one which has always been regarded with utmost respect. I have recently learned that Atty. Hanley and the Rox Prep folks have indicated that in their meeting with our group two years ago, we supported the project. NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. Mr. Hanley called me to request a meeting with BHIA, which was agreed upon. Their presentation was a confusing one. The question and answer period featured information which was in conflict with what we had heard. Conflicting information points abounded so the questions that were asked by our members were met with some negativity. We were not asked to vote to support or oppose the project.....nor would we have done so at that time due to the fact that the information was fuzzy. Now the project has changed. Proposal points are still confusing and, may I respectfully say, appear to have the same fuzzy points they had two years ago. We oppose the project and don't appreciate the implication by Rox Prep that BHIA approved their project when we did NOT. Thank you. Ginny Gass President Bellevue Hill Improvement Association We decided to oppose the project in Spring 2018. We still oppose the project,</p>
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2/7/2019	Elaine	Conroy		Oppose	<p>I am unable to attend the Wednesday evening meetings as I work until 9:00 pm. I am opposed to this project for a few reasons. I live in the general neighborhood, but I WORK AT 399 BELGRADE AVE. In my opinion, this area is poorly equipped to handle such a project. There is already an elementary school around the corner, there is limited parking and traffic is always a problem at peak times. There are also many ongoing and proposed construction projects in the area. The project backers can say that the students will take public transportation to school, but there is no way to enforce this. My mother lives next door to a charter school and the traffic situation is a total disaster. I don't wish to see this happen here. Also, the property is too small and the school provides NO benefit to the neighborhood. BPS has some empty buildings that Roxbury Prep should look into utilizing. Two that come to mind are the Rogers Middle School in Hyde Park and the West Roxbury High property that is scheduled to be closed at the end of the school year. The fields there could be utilized by Roxbury Prep and they would not have to alter their plans. The organization pushing this on the neighborhood has been less than truthful about the process they used to choose the future site of Roxbury Prep. I am not opposed to them building a new school, but the Belgrade Ave property is the wrong choice!</p>
2/7/2019	Barbara	Cevallos		Support	<p>I support the Roxbury Prep project. Our neighborhood needs a quality high school option. The revised plans provide an excellent space for learning and minimize disruption to the neighborhood. Please approve!</p>



2/7/2019	Ginny	Gass	Bellevue Hill Improvement Association	Oppose	Earlier today I sent a comment. I may not have stated specifically why our neighborhood organization voted to oppose the project so I am writing to clarify our thoughts. The main reason we oppose Roxbury Prep has nothing to do with the school itself. Many people oppose charter schools, others find them to be a wonderful alternative to public schools. I, personally, like the charter school concept. We oppose the school has to do with the location chosen. The location will present all kinds of traffic issues. Number one, the intersection to be mainly affected by the school is already flooded with traffic, not just during morning and late afternoon rush hour. To put further burden on this intersection is to say that the people who use it do not matter. In fact, Rox Prep has already made this statement by acknowledging that we will have an intersection with an F rating but doing nothing about it. And the only thing they can do to look elsewhere for a school location. Instead of doing the logical thing by looking for another location, they have insisted on disregarding the common sense thinking of people who use our overly stressed streets and roads. They are acting unconscionably. You folks work for us and your obligation is to help improve life for us, not add to our burdens. Thank you.
2/7/2019	Jonathan	Gass		Oppose	This school proposal is a terrible idea. Thank you.
2/7/2019	Miriam	Katz		Support	I am a neighbor living within a few blocks of the site and a small business owner in West Roxbury and I am deeply concerned about the increase in traffic and the lack of sufficient access roads to divert and manage it. I appreciate the opportunity to comment online as I am unable to attend the public meetings. I would prefer that the site be used for a purpose that will not greatly increase traffic flow and thus traffic jams.

2/7/2019	Diane	Crowley		Support	I am in full support of the proposal and believe the addition of a charter school in the Roslindale/West Roxbury neighborhood would be a great benefit to families in the area and the school would be a great neighbor. The traffic implications have been overstated, I believe, and I am not concerned that the addition of the students and teachers would negatively impact the community in any way. My daughter attends a charter school in Dorchester and I am very pleased with the education she is getting and hope to see a similar option in Roslindale soon.
2/8/2019	Kristen	Armandt	Mrs.	Support	I wanted to send my thanks to the organizers of this project. As a West Roxbury resident I am in full support of this school opening and excited for it to help revitalize this neighborhood.
2/8/2019	Brendan	Kennedy		Support	Let's invest in our future by building a new high school for our awesome students!
2/8/2019	Julia	Szabo		Support	The Roxbury Prep High School building will have an amazing impact on the lives of many young people the day it opens and well into the future. The students of Roxbury Prep deserve this opportunity and to have a world-class building where they can learn together as a community. Don't let worries about parking/traffic stop a project that could do so much good.
2/8/2019	Dina	Goncalves	BPHC	Support	Please help us build this high school and support our children.
2/8/2019	Linda	McMahan		Support	Please know that I am in strong support for this project. I and my neighbors want Roxbury Prep in Roslindale!! Thank you, Linda

2/8/2019	Scott	Bortolotto	Resident	Support	<p>As a direct abutter to the property at 361 Belgrade Ave, I fully support Roxbury Prep coming to our neighborhood. The false narrative on traffic concerns have been addressed and I'm excited to have a great school in our community. The school has committed to working with the community, both during and after construction, and offered their space for community events. The student commute, both before and after school, is against the usual morning commute for most travelers. It will be wonderful to have a new infusion of youth in our neighborhood. Please approve the project and allow the students in Boston and Roxbury Prep to have an opportunity to find their personal success at 361 Belgrade Ave.</p>
2/8/2019	Lori	Deane	Neighbor	Support	<p>My family and I live in the neighborhood and we totally support Roxbury Prep moving into 361 Belgrade. We believe it will enhance the neighborhood by bringing life, energy, and a beautiful building to the area. I look forward to be able to use the space go community meetings and activities. I support this school community getting their students under one roof. They deserve a real school building to learn, thrive in and build relationships in. I travel to work in the morning as does my husband. My son takes the bus to BLS. When I drop him on Wren street to meet the bus there are at least 15-20 cars idling in that neighborhood. My daughter goes to the Lyndon. The traffic on Centre street is horrible between 9-9:30 and 3 and 3:30 everyday. It is what it is. It is a short period of time. People learn to adjust and adapt. The good far outweighs the bad in this situation. I hope the committee can see the benefits this school will bring to the students and community of Roxbury Prep as well as the community of West Roxbury and Roslindale. Thank you.</p>

2/8/2019	elisabeth	peterson smith		Oppose	This particular area of West Roxbury is a commuter's nightmare on a daily basis. I was hopeful the school would find another location. I believe in the School but I am totally opposed to the location and will not support it.
2/8/2019	Tony	Fusco		Support	I live just a few blocks away from the proposed site, and although many of my neighbors seem to oppose this project for many reasons, I think the project has done a great job of scaling back the development and answering the concerns of the neighborhood. I do not think there has been any hiding of the truth, as some have accused. Unfortunately, I am sad to say I think that some of the objections are purely racist, as the vast majority of students will be minorities. I guess I shouldn't even say this, but in my heart I know it is true. I have had the privileges of being a highly-educated white man. Who more deserves a high-quality high school education than Boston's minority and underserved populations? It is time for Boston to wake up to the reality of a changing population and to help those who are trying to help themselves. Please don't put more roadblocks in their way to a better future.
2/8/2019	Ashley	Porter	Roxbury Prep	Support	To whom it may concern, It saddens me entirely to have to sit here and write this response in efforts to persuade you that our students deserve one school. It saddens me that adults have and will continue to do everything in their power to prevent black and brown kids from having the same opportunities and necessities as their kids undeserving have. To many years have gone by where our students had to "be flexible", "be strong", and "do whatever it takes" all because we weren't in one space. They deserve this space and always have! They work hard...harder than any group of people I've ever known. Best, Ashley
2/8/2019	Robin	Atlas	C/O Lois Pearson	Support	I believe that it's important to offer a high quality education to the kids of Roslindale, West Roxbury and J.P.by locating this high school in Roslindale.
2/8/2019	Janice	Williams		Support	I totally support using this space for such a wonderful educational pursuit.

2/8/2019	Xiomara	Calderon	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I would like to start by saying the RPCS are the best schools my kid have attended. The staff are amazing and the curriculum is very well structure to prepare our children for the future. A high school on Belgrade Ave, Roslindale will definitely be at a great advantage for our children in the Hyde Park, Roslindale and Jamaica Plain areas even other areas. Our children are the future why not build for them? GO RPCS!!!! -Yeomariz Ramos ( GiGi) MOM :) 5th Grader at RPCD Campus
2/8/2019	Paul	Friedmann	1978	Support	Roxbury Prep provides an important middle and high school alternative for hundreds of students in Boston. They deserve a beautiful facility in a safe neighborhood that is easily accessed by public transit. This site fits the bill.
2/8/2019	Matthew	Morong		Support	It is my belief that adding a school to this site will be a vast improvement for our neighborhood. I believe that it is far preferable to the existing land use of the site, and the presence of students, faculty, staff, and other users will add activity to a mixed-use corridor that, at present, can use the additional activity. This is a site that is extremely well-served by transit, and I have minimal concerns about the worsening of traffic along Belgrade Ave and West Roxbury Parkway. I believe that Roxbury Prep will be an asset to our community and I welcome this change in use.

2/8/2019	Erin	OConnor		Support	<p>My apologies for this ridiculously long rant. I've lived in the Boston area for nearly all my life (born and raised in Dedham, lived in Cambridge for 6 years, now a homeowner in Roslindale) and I'm exhausted by the lack of progress we've made to put our racist past behind us. "We stopped yelling racial slurs at school buses full of kids!" is not enough. We ignore systemic racism, thinking it will go away. We act like redlining was something in the past, so it doesn't have any impact on where people live today. Yes, I wish every kid could go to school right near their home; I would've loved a 10 minute commute when I was in high school. But until we stop having neighborhoods segregated by race and wealth, we can't make "neighborhood schools" work. We've already determined that "separate but equal" is an impossibility. I've had this discussion several times with neighbors in a neighborhood Facebook group. These are the arguments I've heard against the school, and why I think they're asinine. "Charter schools are bad": I don't support the idea of charter schools in general, but this school already exists and it needs a better location. As I understand it, the students aren't all in one building or campus - the school has outgrown what space it currently has. We're not creating a new charter school. It benefits no one to CLOSE a good school.</p>
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				<p>Mostly on the West Roxbury side. And would people feel differently if most of the student body was made of white kids? Probably. "Why can't we use the old Roslindale school building?": It's been turned into housing. Look, I don't have a dog in this race. I don't have a child and don't plan to. I'm in my mid-30s and I just bought a condo with my spouse in the Mt Hope area of Roslindale about 2 years ago. I want a school in my neighborhood. I want my neighbors to have the opportunity to send their kids to a good school near their home. I want Roxbury Prep - a good school, by all accounts - to have the resources it needs to keep enriching lives. Again, I apologize to the unpaid intern who had to read this. The fact that someone would argue against building a school is infuriating.</p>

2/8/2019	Jared	Smith		Support	To the BPDA, I have been following this project for some time and, while I was unable to attend the community meeting last week, was disappointed to hear about some of the ignorance that persisted. There have been studies and research done regarding the impact on traffic and congestion and I believe we should trust the experts who have done the research. This project sounds like a great improvement to the educational options in Boston to all students who are seeking an alternative. I look forwards to hearing news about the project being approved! Kind regards, - Jared
2/8/2019	Mary	Tamer		Support	Roxbury Prep would be a welcome addition to the Roslindale and West Roxbury neighborhoods. I fully support the establishment of this school on Belgrade Avenue where MBTA and commuter rail provides ample public transportation opportunities for commuting students.
2/8/2019	Christy	Bortolotto		Support	I am a director butter to the property at 361 Belgrade Avenue, I support the Roxbury Prep Charter High School proposed project. The design will fit into the neighborhood. I understand that the majority of Students in the City Of Boston grades seven through 12, take the MBTA to and from school, I do not anticipate this will be any different for Roxbury Prep. I understand that this property was zoned for education. I understand that there will be ample parking for teachers and staff and that the school policy is not to allow students to drive to school on a regular basis. I believe that Roxbury Prep Will be a good neighbor and they are committed to working with community organizations to allow them and partner with them to use their new space. Again, I support the project at 361 Belgrade. Christine Bortolotto



2/8/2019	Molly	Schen	Facing History and Ourselves	Support	I am writing in strong support of Roxbury Prep Charter HS being located at 361 Belgrade in Roslindale. The school is currently split between two campuses, which doesn't allow for school culture to develop across the grades. As an educator myself, and as someone who helped found a gr. 6-12 in-district charter school, Boston Green Academy, I see tremendous power in unifying the campuses in a great neighborhood.
2/8/2019	Mary	Roderick		Support	I resoundingly support Roxbury Prep relocating to 361 Belgrade Avenue!!!
2/8/2019	Pearline	Kirby		Support	I support the high school project at 361 Belgrade Avenue . The students are in need of a new high school and this space is ideal for the project. Let?s help our young people achieve their goals in the right environment for learning
2/8/2019	Jeanne	Reis		Support	I am totally onboard with the building of Roxbury Prep at the site on Belgrade Ave. I look forward to sharing my neighborhood with the future leaders of our city, state and beyond.
2/8/2019	Linda	Christie		Oppose	I would like to register my opposition to this project. It is my strong opinion that the space is too small for the school and that it does a disservice to the students as well as adding congestion to the neighborhood. I feel that there must be more suitable lots with more space available elsewhere in the city, perhaps even in Roxbury, in keeping with the name of the school. The neighborhood would be served better by building more affordable housing. Thank you for your consideration.
2/8/2019	Romona	Ramsay		Support	I believe Roxbury Prep will be a valuable asset to the community & the city of Boston. I believe they have proven that they can be good neighbors!
2/8/2019	David	Wean	self	Support	The Parkway area needs a good high school. The site is near plenty of public transit and will not create huge traffic woes. I think it is good that they scaled back the originally proposed size of the school and I support the current plan.
2/8/2019	Janaleta	Britto		Support	Please allow Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School to be in Roslindale.

2/8/2019	Brooke	Nash		Support	I am a longtime Roslindale resident (25 years) and would welcome Roxbury Prep with open arms. Charter schools were a life saver for my 2 children when they were at BPS. I believe in Roxbury Prep's mission and I am certain they will contribute positively to our community. FYI - I also live right off Belgrade Ave and am not concerned about traffic.
2/8/2019	Adly	Telfort		Support	I really want the school for my son next year don't forget without school there's nothing is possible for the kids to be earning their jobs in the future
2/9/2019	Denise	Monks		Support	I am unable to attend the meeting due to my work schedule. I support the Roxbury Prep's move to Roslindale. The school's proposed location is about 1/4 mile from my home. I believe all the community's concerns have been addressed by Roxbury Prep. The school's education record is proven and having most of the student body in one building, that can provide the basics of any school in the suburbs, can only improve the educational experience for the students. Thank you. Denise Monks
2/9/2019	Alexandra	Dailey	unknown - medical alert company	Support	I support the building of Roxbury Prep here in Roslindale. They are an excellent educational institution, and would be good for our community.

2/9/2019	George B,	Donahue Sr.	Retired 60 year resident	Oppose	My first 25 yrs. in this neighborhood,I grew up at 6 Iona street,one block down from proposed school. I have for the last 35 yrs. lived at 47 Bradfield Ave as a , and home owner and active participant in the community as a Democrat committee man, CYO and Boys Club Basketball coach. I am also a retired 43 year member of the Boston Building Trades and Do Not Want this project at this location as many of my fellow residents,old and new, will agree.There have been many new multi-residential units built surrounding this proposed project, with more approved,317-329 BelgradeAve. 21 Apts.retail,and Restaurant. The proposed turn around and drop off for studentson Anawan Ave. currently sevicees the Driveway exit for 12 plus Apts. and retail for 337-343 Belgrade Ave. and access cannot be blocked. There is also a Multiple Unit building going thru approval across from proposed school at Belgrade Ave.and Beech St. This is not a place to put a 600 Plus school that this community can tolerate. Thank for your listening and also your professionalism at all the meetings I have attended.
2/9/2019	Victoria	Lewis		Support	My daughter is a student at Roxbury and we are a resident of Roslindale for more than 5 years. I fully support Roxbury Prep building a high school for these children.
2/9/2019	Toby	Romer	NA	Support	I am unable to attend the 2/13 meeting but as a neighbor to the project, I am so appreciative of the revisions made to the original design and think the school would be a great addition to the neighborhood. I drive through the nearby intersection twice each morning and do not find the traffic to be bad and am fine with a slight increase in traffic.
2/9/2019	Parthena	Savvidis		Support	My family and I support this project and we can?t wait to see it completed. This school is very important for our neighborhood, not only for beatification reason but also academically. I?m working Wednesday nights and I can?t attend this meeting. I pray to God all to go well. Sincerely Parthena Tina Savvidis

2/10/2019	Georgia	Murphy		Oppose	While the building looks very nice, this is not the proper place for this school. It is simply too tight and congested Do better for these students. Thank you
2/10/2019	Coriander	Sippen		Support	I am writing to support Roxbury Prep coming to Roslindale. I am a parent of two children who will ready for high school in several years -- We are excited about the the plan for a rigorous, high quality and public high school walking distance from our home!
2/10/2019	brian	oconnell		Oppose	This project was cut in half supposedly based on abutters feedback but the main point is that this parcel is not the proper place for a school. As we all know, this is a common strategy for developers to start with a large plan and then scale it down to supposedly accommodate the feedback from abutters. By cutting the project in half by their own statements they have already outgrown the project. Roxbury Prep has been non-responsive to legitimate questions the abutters have. They have in no way done anything to show they would be good neighbors in our community. I have personally researched the "complete list of sites reviewed by uncommon" for this project. The integrity of this list is questionable at best. For example 28 Harvard Street in Charlestown is in fact a brownstone condo building with a 6,131 square foot lot. 20 Braintree Street in Allston is a 13,635 square foot commercial lot that would be impossible to build this project on. Those are just 2 examples. Out of the 57 sites uncommon school claims they reviewed on this list more than 50% of it contains questionable sites. I have the full list with notes available if need be. Thank you for your consideration Brian O'Connell

2/10/2019	Kerry	Doyle	N/A	Support	<p>To Whom It May Concern: This proposal should be approved forthwith. It is very important that schools, especially high quality schools, have an opportunity to grow and provide important educational services to the students of Boston. The area in which the school is proposed is already a commercial area. I do not think any of the complaints against the school are really legitimate-- traffic won't be significantly different. While I generally agree that our public schools need a lot more support and should not be undermined by charter schools, at the moment, the Boston Public Schools, especially the Middle and High Schools (other than the exam schools) are very poor. In the meantime, schools like Roxbury Prep are so important to everyone and already providing crucial opportunities to our community as a whole. And don't be fooled by the complaints that sound "reasonable," West Roxbury is just as racist as it was back in the busing days . . . What do you think folks mean by keeping the "suburban" feel? If you deny this request, you will be upholding the horrible scar of busing, West Roxbury refusing the extension of the T and other actions to keep W.Roxbury white. I know some city counselors are opposed, but don't be intimidated and do the right thing-- approve Roxbury Prep. Very truly yours, Kerry E. Doyle</p>
2/10/2019	Adam	Finelli	self	Support	<p>I support the construction of a new charter school facility at 361 Belgrade in Rosindale.</p>

2/10/2019	Ginny	Gass	Bellevue Hill Improvement Association	Oppose	Hi, it's me again. This is not a technical question or comment about traffic and parking, important as those issues are. Rather it's a question about the moral authority, or lack thereof, of Roxbury Prep Charter School principles (not principals) which they are supposed to adhere. It has come to our attention that many current RP parents and students are NOT aware of the recent changes to the proposal. In other words, they are unaware the school plan is for 562 students, not the 850+ called for in the first proposal. They are unaware that the building size is drastically smaller in the new plan, or that the new school size is the same size as their current school location. Parents are not aware that students will not be allowed to drive to school. They are not aware that students must sign an affidavit saying that they will NOT drive to school. These are but a few changes which parents and students are not aware. So who is fooling who here? Why hasn't the student body been informed of these changes? Why do their parents not know of the changes? There's only one reason, and that's not a very nice one. Rox Prep admin is desperate to attain 361 Belgrade and will go to any lengths to do so, even keeping their own students in the dark regarding the project. Should BPDA be asking these questions, I don't know, but aren't you curious? Thank you.
2/11/2019	John	Burger		Support	I fully support this development, my initial concerns about congestion have been satisfied by their parking plans.
2/11/2019	Ava	Delevante-Atkinson	Ms.	Support	As a resident of Roslindale, I wholeheartedly support the Roxbury Prep Charter High School! We need school of this caliber in our community. Thanks, Ava D. Atkinson

2/12/2019	Diane	Handy	resident	Oppose	<p>I attended the January 30, 2019 BPDA public meeting on the 361 Belgrade Ave Roxbury Prep High School project. Unfortunately like many, I did realize there was a sign in; however, as an attendee I voiced some of my concerns about the project. My questions were not adequately addressed and I would like to address these and other outstanding concerns here. Overall, I am opposed to the project. I am concerned about the enormity of this project, which will negatively impact local traffic, transportation, and parking. I am an active community member: I volunteer in the community and I shop in the community. Anawan, Belgrade, and the West Roxbury Parkway are important roadways for my work commute as well as my activities in the community. These major streets, as well as nearby secondary roads, will be adversely affected by this project. Since the Project proponents could not do a thorough study of the streets in the area it is my duty as a resident to provide information to you. The project is on Belgrade and is bordered by the West Roxbury Parkway and Anawan Ave; Anawan is being co-opted as a drop off and driveway for the project; and West Roxbury Parkway forms a triangle with Belgrade and Anawan. Belgrade and Anawan provide important routes to traverse safely across or onto the West Roxbury Parkway.</p>
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					<p>West Roxbury Parkway is a major commuting route from West Roxbury, Roslindale, Hyde Park, Dedham, etc, to Boston, Newton, Brookline, etc. Changing the flow of traffic on these streets will impact the area tremendously leading to gridlock, and increasing traffic in local neighborhoods. This project not only brings a large number of commuters to the area, it is a school. School hours dictate a strict schedule. Although there may be more scatter at the end of some days due to after school activities, local roadways, transportation systems, and sidewalks will have to accommodate the en masse movement of 625 or so people (students and staff) at set times, which overlap with peak traffic times. As a person who works across from a BPS public high school (that is well serviced by MBTA buses and green/orange line trains), I can tell you that the rush of cars dropping off/picking up students combined with MBTA buses creates an unbelievably chaotic situation. After school and special events are even worse, as public transportation isn't always an option. At the meeting, I questioned the Project organizers about the mass movement of commuters at the school. According to the project's projection 75% of the students (about 420) will be taking the local buses.</p>
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					<p>And according to Roxbury Prep school literature ?Roxbury Prep Roslindale will be located just a few hundred feet from the Bellevue Commuter Rail stop, and will be within yards of bus lines 35, 36, 37 and 38.? Note: three of these lines use the same bus stops on Belgrade and the 38 uses a stop on Belgrade and the West Roxbury parkway. Unfortunately the closest, or ?yards away? stops are all on the other side of the West Roxbury Parkway from this project. When I asked about this at the meeting I was told that students will likely use other stops (rather than these closest stops). However, the literature about the Roslindale Roxbury Prep High School project indicates that two bus monitors will be present at the closest bus stops on the far side of the West Roxbury Parkway. At some point, even the project proponents considered that use of these closest bus spots will require careful supervision. Overall, the large influx of commuters to this triangle of three major intersecting and busy streets will be problematic. Parking is another issue that will adversely affect nearby residents, shoppers and businesses. At the January 30th BPDA meeting the project planners suggested that they may have to secure other parking for events held on site.</p>
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				<p>(On site parking is inadequate due to in part to the configuration, as it includes valet parking in the surface lot and/or tandem parking in the garage to utilize all of the spaces.) The supporters for this project have placed a heavy emphasis on calling this a neighborhood school (see <a href="https://www.roxpreproslindale.org">https://www.roxpreproslindale.org</a> for how the school is being presented to the community). In the BPDA project submission ?This proposal has many important and unique characteristics. Most significant is the creation of a new charter high school facility to serve not only existing students from several Boston neighborhoods, but also increasing number of students from Roslindale and nearby West Roxbury neighborhoods.? However, given the large numbers from Roxbury Prep feeder middle schools, it will be difficult for any student not already in this charter school system to gain admittance (by lottery). The building will take up much of the frontage along Belgrade Avenue. In fact, this enormous building exceeds the floor to area ratio for the district and also exceeds the height limit. This building will fill the site and dominate the local landscape. The proposed building is approximately 50% smaller than the original proposal; however, the student population is reduced by only 30%, increasing student density. Lacking completely are outdoor fields for sports, recreation, and fitness.</p>
				<p>The building size, the overcrowding, and the lack of outdoor space are all negatives. Finally, at issue is the overall impact of this project. Some project proponents equated this project to the Holy Name Parish School?but that school is over 60 years old! 60 years ago traffic was light, and there wasn?t a nearby school 0.3 miles down the road (the distance of the current project to the established Holy Name School). The area is moe crowded now, the scale and size and density of this project is too much for the site. I support responsible urban planning and am against this and any other large and densely populated project at 361 Belgrade Ave. Thank you for considering my opposition.</p>

2/12/2019	Doris	Downey		Oppose	<p>I grew up Roslindale, attended Boston Public Schools, and have lived in West Roxbury for 45 years. I am familiar with the neighborhood. I have taught high school in the Boston Public Schools; I have an informed opinion about the physical requirements of a high school. The Clay Chevrolet site, however one plays with the space, will never be big enough to accommodate the needs of a high school population. I also worked as a software engineer for twenty years; I have an informed opinion about the planning required for a project of any size. I have attended multiple meetings concerning Roxbury Prep and have yet to see the same plan twice; one does not have to be an engineer to know that several different plans is the same as no plan. The site is the only constant; there is nothing else to have an opinion on. My suggestion to the BPDA is that you encourage the Roxbury Prep administrators to look around for another site in the Parkway area, come up with a plan, and then come back for neighborhood and City of Boston review.</p>
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2/12/2019	Bette	Viano	self	Support	<p>I am writing in support of Roxbury Prep High School being built at 361 Belgrade Ave, however, with several caveats. While in principle I have always favored having a well-designed school in this location, I also felt the school was too big and the number of students too high in the first draft. As presented by the architect this time, the changes made are welcome, well-conceived and make the project much better for the community and the students. That said, I do not dismiss residents' concerns about congestion and feel that the City of Boston has done nothing to address that. The presentation from the traffic engineer at the meeting was weak, as he referred to the "Roxbury Parkway" and did not do much to allay residents' concerns. That intersection is a mess with a bridge reconstruction project taking way too much time to complete, cars running red lights all day long, taking a right on red without looking, and with absolutely no police enforcement of safety violations. Even without the school, that intersection is poorly designed and shows the city's lack of proactive planning and concern for residents' quality of life. My second concern is for students crossing Belgrade Ave. at the end of the day to take the #37, #36 or #39 bus to Forest Hills. That point of crossing needs a fully authorized crossing guard, not simply a Roxbury Prep teacher, as the school's CFO responded.</p>
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				<p>As a resident who crosses the West Roxbury Parkway and Belgrade Ave. daily for many years to reach the commuter rail, I have been almost hit crossing from Anawan Ave across Belgrade and it's even worse after dark at the end of the day. THIS SAFETY ISSUE MUST BE ADDRESSED IN A MUCH MORE SERIOUS WAY THAN WAS PRESENTED AT THE FIRST MEETING. The Roxbury Prep team and traffic engineer should spend an hour on the street from 7-8 AM and at 4-5PM to see the dangers, speeding, and high volume of pedestrian and auto activity. It is dangerous now and will be worse once the school begins operation. My third concern is about students crossing the tracks at the end of the day to get on the commuter rail. Crossing the tracks to get to the parking lot side is very dangerous. If one is worried about missing the train, one might be tempted to run across those tracks at the end of the day in order to catch the train. I have done so myself. There is an underground tunnel but it a block away and so there little incentive to walk the distance to use it when one is running late for the train. I have seen adult racing across the tracks when they hear the whistle almost getting hit. It can be horrifying, and until you see it, you do not understand the danger one impulsive move can present. THIS SAFETY HAZARD MUST BE ADDRESSED BY THE T before students are brought into the picture.</p>
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					<p>One idea to explore: the commuter rail could open their doors on the school side for those trains at the end of the day. They used to do that years ago. If they cannot do that, the school should insist that a footbridge is built to the other side. I am extremely concerned that students could get hit. The City should not be willing to take any chance that a student will be hit by the commuter rail. Lastly, where was the T at the meeting? Their absence, in addition to the poor presentation by the traffic engineer, were the weak spots in the presentation. I hope the issues I describe here will be acknowledged. There is work yet to be done in terms of this school becoming a viable addition to the community. As a parent of a child who would have loved to walk to school, I hope the school succeeds and look forward to the diversity of person and activity it will bring to our community. Sincerely, Bette Viano</p>
2/12/2019	Cathleen	Brown		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.</p>
2/12/2019	Keisha	Beepath-Taha		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.</p>
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2/12/2019	Ydarmis	Gonzalez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	John	Fernandez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Julissa Maria	Rodriguez Diaz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Lily	Soto		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Claudia	De Leon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/12/2019	Maria	Carmona		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Tania	Mercier		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Marie	Dumel		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Robert	Vann		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/12/2019	Carmelle	Charles		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Pauline	Galloway		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Stacy Ann	Grant		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Rachel	Josile		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Janet	Marroquin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/12/2019	Eileen	Acevedo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/12/2019	Patricia	Nurse		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Jessica	Chousa		Support	I fully support Rox Prep. This is a thoroughly well thought out plan offering a great opportunity for young high schoolers in Boston. I would have loved to have this close by option for a high school when I was going through BPS. I had the wonderful opportunity to attend Latin Academy in Roxbury. The community was more than welcoming to having a great school in their neighborhood. I hope that ours can do the same for the kids of Rox Prep.
2/13/2019	Jose	Lopez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Judelle	Samedi		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Karen	Ricketts		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Sade	Bynoe		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Pearline	Kirby		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Lucia	Auguste		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Vil	Richmond		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Betty	Sanchez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Gabrielle	Morris		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Rukia	Juma		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/13/2019	Jacqui E.	McClain		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/13/2019	Tiffany	Dotten		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Jacqueline	Soto		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Cecelia	Archibald		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Sandra	Castillo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Yarse	McMillan		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/13/2019	Frantz	Alcindor		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/13/2019	Hillary	Gabbidon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Trippetta	Simmons		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Claritza	Jimenez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Martha	Baez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/13/2019	Trisha	Phillips-Roucner		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Mildred	Wright		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Charles	Matthews		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Nedis	Martinez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/13/2019	Bridget	Harwood		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/13/2019	Natalie	Mitchell		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/13/2019	Vickie	Ingram		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Gary	Lee		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Terrence	Simpson		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.



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2/13/2019	Lynda	Uche		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Denise	Hernandez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Melise	Rosario		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Sheron	Brown		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Stephanie	Everett		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Fanny	Bello		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Alba	Familia		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Chanel	Pomare-Latimer		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Annie	Walter-Ana		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Widlande	Claude		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Marilyn	Dominique		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Viviane	Cazeau		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Arthur	Canter		Oppose	2/13/19 To whom it may concern: I am writing this letter stating my opposition to the proposed Roxbury Prep High School project at 361 Belgrade Avenue. I live on lower Beech St. near West Roxbury Parkway, 3 blocks from the Holy Name School complex on one side and 4 blocks from the Mozart School on the other side. Building this school on 361 Belgrade Ave. would add another school two blocks from this area. Does any other neighborhood in Boston have three schools within seven blocks? This is particularly concerning as a Boston taxpayer, having recently been informed that Roslindale's Washington Irving Middle School has significant vacant space. In addition, as stated by others, the West Roxbury High School vacancy provides a great opportunity to move all of their school to one complex without the impact on our neighborhood's parking, traffic or congestion! This is what they had proposed initially in their earlier proposal. This new space also has athletic fields that they could probably take advantage of as well. In Roxbury Prep's current proposal, the school stated that 10% of the students would not use the T and would need to be dropped off. I do not understand why their revised plans show a reduction to 7% of students needing to be dropped off without an explanation. This would add an additional number of drop-offs causing increased congestion and traffic.

					I would think the percentage of students would remain the same even with a smaller complex, necessitating the same % of students having to be dropped off. In addition, the revised proposal does not provide fixed parking for all of the teachers and staff noted in the proposal unless the expectation would be that they would park in the visitor parking lot, leading to more people having to park on the street! I am hopeful the BPDA will consider the needs of this neighborhood and reject the Roxbury Prep proposal. Arthur Canter
2/13/2019	Therese	Fleurival		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Vilma	De la Puente		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	luz	ramirez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Brian	McClain		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Wilberte	Vertus		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Theresa	McClain		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Yanilda	Tejeda		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Frances	Spaulding		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Stephany	Vallejo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/13/2019	Adonis	Martin		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Carline	Deleon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Mildred	Plaza		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	James	Dumesle		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Janay	Sanford		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Lisett	Serrano		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Donville	Walker		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Maricelly	Ramos		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Joao	Amado		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Maira	Ruiz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Elizabeth	Keane		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Kimberly	Alexander		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/13/2019	Melany	Silva		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Deanna	Young		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Abneris	Quinones		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/13/2019	Damion	Castro		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.



2/13/2019	Jennifer	Moran		Oppose	<p>I attended the public meeting on 30Jan2019 expecting it to be a Q&amp;A and to have the team answer questions and concerns from the neighborhood. What I didn't expect was that supporters of the school would filibuster so that several people attending were not able to get to the mic to ask questions or request information. I will be attending the meeting again this evening (13Feb2019) and hope that questions will be heard. My main concern lies with the fact that the school does not have any definitive plans for the number of students that will attend the school. The three middle schools will graduate ~235 students from 8th grade, but the proposed Roxbury Prep High School has a total capacity of 562 students (~140 per grade). When asked how this will be managed - how will all the students from current middle schools have an opportunity to attend this school, and if all slots are given to students from the three middle schools (no slots open for lottery students), the school administration representatives said that they are "considering options". If the proponents of this project are expecting it to be approved, plans need to be made and need to be communicated. If my kids have no chance of attending this school - even through a lottery system, without attending a middle school is Roxbury or Dorchester, that will certainly have bearing on whether or not I support the project.</p>
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					<p>There is also a lot of talk about how Roslindale is the only neighborhood in Boston without a public high school. As noted above - if the only chance that the students in the Roslindale/West Roxbury neighborhoods have to attend this school is if they attend the middle schools in Roxbury or Dorchester, this is not really solving a problem. It's misleading to say they're solving the issue of not having a school in the neighborhood if they can't actually give the local students a real opportunity to attend. The administration and their representatives also commented about how they are speaking with the MBTA regarding adding a commuter line stop after school, etc. in order to accommodate the school hours. The problem is, what if the MBTA says no? There needs to be buy-in from MBTA (as well as Keolis) BEFORE the project is approved or rejected. The fact that the lot is located right at the Commuter Rail stop is a fact that the proponents are highlighting - however they don't have confirmation that the commuter rail will be a viable option to accommodate the school schedule. Lastly, the school has reduced both the building size and capacity from the original proposal. It is clear that they are doing whatever they can to fit the school into the proposed lot rather than looking for a site that would accommodate the school that they really need.</p>
2/13/2019	Josh	Frank	The Learning Nexus	Support	I visited Roxbury Prep in November. These students would be a great addition to the neighborhood!

2/13/2019	Anne	Harvey Kilburn		Support	My name is Anne Harvey Kilburn and I live on Stratford St. in Bellevue Hill near the proposed site of Roxbury Prep. I support the new building on Belgrade because I am laser-focused on educational opportunities for youth. As a court appointed special Advocate for the nonprofit Boston CASA, I have witnessed firsthand how education can often be the one thing that makes a huge difference in the trajectory of a person's life. The Roxbury Prep students deserve a state of the art building in which to learn and thrive. Like many of my neighbors, I too wish Uncommon Schools could have found a different site, but after an exhaustive search, they've settled on Belgrade. As a good neighbor throughout the city of Boston and not just here in West Roxbury, I welcome the teachers and students. Traffic needs to be addressed in general as evidenced by the study that came out this week giving Boston the distinction of being the most congested city in the U.S. And pedestrian safety is paramount! Progress in the form of new housing, new retail, new schools will all create traffic issues. I call on the city and the state to take action on these issues.
2/13/2019	Lillian	Perez	004665071483	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. because it will be an asset to the community. This site provides superior access to public transportation and 90% of Roxbury Prep students use public transit to get to school. Please support this project!!!!
2/13/2019	Elana	Wolkoff	NA	Support	As a Roslindale resident and a neighbor, I support the presence of a high quality public school in our neighborhood.

2/13/2019	Elizabeth	Vondrak		Support	<p>I support the plan to construct a Roxbury Prep school at 361 Belgrade. I live just two blocks from the site and would love to see a building there whose purpose was for the public good?to educate youth in our city, especially minority and underprivileged youth. I realize the project would increase traffic, but I believe the plan adequately addresses the issue. Furthermore, all cities have traffic, but more important all cities need schools. The Curley school in JP has 900+ students with most students coming on school busses and in cars (something that will not happen at this proposed site), yet when I pick up my son there, I don?t see people with signs that say ?Tear Down 493 Centre Street.? (And if that was what the neighbors wanted, I hope they?d have the courage to say ?Tear Down the Curley School? instead of hiding behind language. But I digress.) Thank you for your time and consideration.</p>
2/13/2019	Alexandra	Puleo		Support	<p>Hello, I live just over a block from this project. This school is beautifully designed and would be a great use of a currently industrial space. As a neighbor, I support this school development. Thank you!</p>

2/13/2019	Elizabeth	Maher		Support	As a Roslindale resident for over 24 years, a parent of two BPS graduates, a taxpayer, and a voter, I am in full support of the Roxbury Prep 361 Belgrade Project. I have lived in Boston since I came to college 4 decades ago, moving from an all white suburb in NY. The diversity and the energy of Boston residents, the city's educational and cultural opportunities are what drew me here, kept me here, and made me decide to raise my family here. I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. I do believe that the overall majority of the Roslindale community welcomes this project, despite the very vocal minority who continue to voice their opposition, despite the school's continuous efforts to work with the community and address all concerns raised. However, I believe the issues they raise, regarding traffic and concerns about students being able to safely cross the street to catch a bus are disingenuous, and mostly coming from a place of bigotry. I am sure that if the proposal was instead to move Boston Latin School to this site, these same people would welcome it with open arms (and driveways).
					No matter what the school and BPDA do to adjust plans to appease concerns, this group will not be pleased. It's time to move forward with the plan and let these folks deal with the two extra minutes they spend in traffic should they happen to head out of their homes just at arrival and dismissal times. Please stand up against bigotry and in favor of diversity and educational opportunities for Boston residents.
2/13/2019	Rukia	Juma		Support	Thank you so much for working so hard for this project let's work hard to make this happen
2/13/2019	Jill	Klowden		Support	I'm a Roslindale resident am an in support of Roxbury Prep. There's great transportation to the site and many or most of the kids will be on public transportation, not school busses. An additional school, is an asset to the community. Roxbury Prep will contribute to the diversity of the neighborhood which is the backbone and strength of our community.

2/13/2019	Christy	Bortolotto		Support	I support Roxbury prep Charter school at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Thank you for holding a second meeting. I am looking forward to working with RP in our community
2/14/2019	Allison	Friedmann		Support	I support the Roxbury Prep building project. They have made a number of changes to accommodate the requests of the community. They have also spent a long time doing a transportation study and thinking through staffing. In the end though, I support this project because schools are important parts of our city. And they need to exist somewhere. It may increase traffic a bit, but that would be true anywhere you put the school. I have no patience for Not in My Backyard speak. Kids need to be educated. They need to get to and from school buildings. And yes that creates traffic. But it is well worth it for the benefit that comes out of having a school. Our city should be supporting schools rather than antagonizing them. Thank you BPDA for running some very contentious meetings and trying to keep them as civil as possible. I know it is hard to work on such projects. Allison Friedmann
2/14/2019	Kellyn	Shoecraft		Support	I look forward to welcoming this school community to our neighborhood!

2/14/2019	Deeana	Klepper		Support	I live within a quarter mile of the proposed site and commute to work from the Bellevue Station just behind the site. I would love to see a school there -- it is a perfect location, I think, given the multiple transportation possibilities and the fact that there is no other high school nearby. It would be great to have a high school on the Roslindale/West Roxbury border, and I would love to see that space used for a school. I do not accept the argument that it would present too much traffic. I live on Greaton Rd -- a three block street running from Center ST. to Weld with two-way traffic and only one lane available for traffic because of parking on both sides of the road. We have Holy Name School on one end of the Street and Joyce Kilmer Middle School on the other end. It just is not a big deal to accommodate school traffic, and it is good for us all to have kids in our neighborhood. If we're a city we should be supporting each other and welcoming each others' kids into our neighborhoods.
2/14/2019	Edith	Rees	Neighbor	Support	I support Roxbury Prep plan to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Ave. because it will be a tremendous asset to this community where I have lived for 19 years. The transportation and traffic plans are well thought out. I look forward to welcoming these scholars to our neighborhood.
2/14/2019	Tara	Amstutz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. because it will be an asset to the community. This site provides superior access to public transportation and 90% of Roxbury Prep students use public transit to get to school. I live just down the street from this site and this is the type of project we need in our neighborhood and I believe the school will be a positive for our neighborhood. Last week I visited the Museum of Fine Arts and there was a school group. They were well behaved and engaged in the exhibit and as a Mom, I was interested in what school they were from. It was Roxbury Prep which confirmed my opinion that the school would be a positive impact. Please support this project!

2/14/2019	Raina	Santucci		Support	After last night's hearing, I feel even stronger support of this project. It was concerning that the condo residents claimed to not have been contacted, but it also sounded like there was an active effort on the part of GBANA to block/thwart communication. I'm sad to hear that my neighbors are still hanging their traffic frustrations on the shoulders of this school. We can do so much more if unified in this effort than looking for a scapegoat to blame. Please note this comment as my continued support for Roxbury Prep at Belgrade Ave.
2/14/2019	Laura	Christian		Support	I whole-heartedly support this plan and this school! They are a thoughtful organization who has invested time and energy into this new building and the community. As someone who lives in the neighborhood, I would be thrilled to have a high school of this caliber close by. Yes to Roxbury Prep High Charter School in Roslindale!
2/14/2019	David	Holzman		Support	We are extremely lucky to live in this beautiful neighborhood. Let's be GENEROUS with it by welcoming students from throughout the city!
2/14/2019	Deborah	Dunlap		Support	I am a Parent of an RPHS student and have lived in Roslindale close to 18 years, and would love to see the school built at 361 Belgrade. The RPHS team have listened to and made changes to the project every step of the way as issues have come up. Traffic should not be the reason for not providing a solid high school start for Boston public school students.



2/14/2019	Leslie	Sammon		Support	<p>Hello: I attended the meeting on January 30 to support the school. I live near the Roxbury Prep Lucy Stone Campus and I find the school to be a good community neighbor. I have never had an issue with children hanging around the school and the school has actually beautified the neighborhood. I have observed children going to the train station at Shawmut and they are well-behaved in the public spaces. I am saddened that the higher grades are located in two sub-optimal locations at Roxbury Prep. and the inferior conditions the children are forced to learn under. I would not want that for my children. I firmly believe that we can overcome "city issues" like traffic and parking to educate all the children of our City. I hope that BPDA can work with the MBTA and the engineers hired by the school to overcome some of the logistical hurdles and make transportation easy and accessible for the students. I understand that a majority of the students will use public transportation to get to school. I am the mother of 7th grade students and they take public transportation to school. I am also weary of hearing that Dorchester, Roxbury and Mattapan children should be educated solely in those locations.</p>
					<p>Once those comments are made by community members I think it is very difficult to give credence to concerns about zoning, traffic and safety since those appear to be just a pretext for racism and elitism. I support the school and I hope that the City of Boston and its officials will bring their resources to the table to help this school operate as a first class educational institution.</p>
2/14/2019	Heidi	Suskin		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. because it will be an asset to the community. This site provides superior access to public transportation and 90% of Roxbury Prep students use public transit to get to school. As a parent and a teacher, I believe in having school choices for my children. Currently, there are NO PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS in Roslindale or West Roxbury. Please support this project!</p>

2/15/2019	Janet	Fishstein		Support	<p>I was unable to attend the community meeting this week, but want to voice my support for Roxbury Prep Charter High School on Belgrade Avenue. As a 27 year resident of the neighborhood and having raised two children who attended Boston Public Schools, I understand the need for offering a range of good public school choices. Roxbury Prep has worked to address neighborhood concerns with the size and design of the school at this site. The current proposed plans seem appropriate and would significantly improve the appearance of the site. More importantly, approval of this project would provide a much needed public high school option in this part of the city. I hope the BPDA will approve the project as proposed.</p>
2/15/2019	Robert	Orthman		Support	<p>I support the siting of Roxbury Prep at this location. The plan has gone through substantial changes and community input. At this point, I believe it is to time to approve the school and gives these students the opportunity to learn under one roof in a new building. If this were a new charter school, I'd possibly feel differently but it is an existing school. As to traffic concerns, I am very familiar with the traffic patterns in the area. Any use on this site short of leaving it fallow would inevitably bring more traffic, but I do not feel that is a good reason to oppose a school. Most of the traffic is on the West Roxbury Parkway from commuters entering the area from elsewhere to pass through. That will continue to be the case whether a school goes here or not. Students can take the bus or train there and I expect many will as is the case with most other high schools in the city. More broadly, increased traffic can be used as a reason to oppose essentially any new construction or use anywhere. We have to think beyond that and decide what we need as a community and city. Educating our children should be our top priority and I believe this project advances that goal. Please approve it and put this divisive issue to rest. Thank you.</p>

2/15/2019	Ronald	O?Keefe		Support	I am very much in favor of this project. I believe that the traffic inconvenience is well worth welcoming this school. The kids need a school building and I hope to see them attend school at 361 Belegrade Ave!
2/15/2019	Lynne	Todd		Oppose	TO: Aisling Kerr, BPDA Project Manager, Brian Golden, BPDA Director, Matt O?Malley, City Counselor, Tim McCarthy, City Counselor, Michelle Wu, City Counselor, Michael Flaherty, City Counselor, Annissa Essaibi- George, City Counselor, Althea Garrison, City Counselor, Martin Walsh, Mayor, Angelo Scaccia, State Representative, Ed Coppinger, State Representative, Mike Rush, State Senator This project is NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS SITE. How this has ever gotten so far is amazing and it is clear the city and our elected officials are not listening to their constituents. Sitting in on community meetings in regards to this proposed site for Roxbury Prep it becomes more apparent that this about big business /political deals more than anything else. These meetings take time and actual community members who live in this neighborhood want their voices heard. Instead we have to sit through hours of listening to students, parents, and teachers who are not residents. That is not the point of a community meeting. I would not go to Dorchester, JP etc etc and think I should have a voice in what happens in their neighborhoods. We had to listen to these parents, teachers, and students tell us our concerns about ?traffic? and ?smog? were not valid because this ?is the city?. Well our Mayor describes West Roxbury a bit different.

					<p>Please all refer to West Roxbury <a href="http://cityofboston.gov">cityofboston.gov</a>. Our Mayor describes our neighborhood as "A friendly suburban community in Boston". Now residents who live here, pay HUGE taxes here, raise their families here are being demonized for wanting to preserve our suburban community in Boston. We heard from supporters who live in other neighborhoods in the city that have multiple schools and how they "just deal with it" - the difference is these schools were already in these neighborhoods for decades - so it was the community they chose. I specifically chose the neighborhood of West Roxbury 10 yrs ago because of its "suburban vibe with its tree lined streets and single family homes" (again... I quote <a href="http://cityofboston.gov">cityofboston.gov</a>). I have had the unique experience of being a home owner and a former resident of the neighborhood of Roxbury Prep's original school on Mission Hill (0.5 miles from my house) and now I am residing in West Roxbury with this new proposed site 0.4 miles from my current home and residence. When this school came to Fisher Ave I did not oppose the school - this site is 0.5 miles from my house. It is placed on Fisher Ave - NOT A MAJOR INTERSECTION / NOT A SITE THAT CONSIDERABLY CHANGED THE NEIGHBORHOOD with congestion (pedestrian and vehicle) , traffic, "smog" (as the supporters say).</p>
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					<p>So listening to supporters tell the crowd that the West Roxbury residents are not for schools or educating children -is RIDICULOUS AND LAUGHABLE. This is Massachusetts not a third world country. This is about a building project that is too big for this site. If AMAZON wanted to build there and bring 600 + people daily, it again would not be an appropriate site. Many of us understand Charter Schools and how they operate. While saying they are non profit does not mean that they do not make money. Every dollar that goes towards a student does not go to stockholders - kind of an adversarial relationship don?t you think? This argument though is not about charter schools but rather the big business (\$\$\$\$) behind them. They have endlessly deep pockets that YOUR CONSTITUENTS don?t. That?s why in this county, we rely on our elected government officials to protect their constituents. I am asking all of you to do your job and listen to your constituents and DO NOT ALLOW ROXBURY PREP TO BE BUILT ON THIS SITE. There is ALWAYS another site - we all know that. Uncommon Schools will find another place to land and will go on happily. If you allow this into our neighborhood - there is no un- ringing the bell. The residents who live here will have their neighborhood changed in a negative way forever. Sincerely Lynne Todd 105 Stratford Street West Roxbury, MA 02132</p>
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2/15/2019	John	vanMelle		Oppose	<p>I'm disturbed by the prospect of a high density use out of proportion to everything else in this part of the city. West Roxbury Pkwy is a major transportation route with three significant intersections within ~300 yds, with the proposed site wedged against the middle intersection. It's obvious that the site was selected because of the adjacent commuter rail, but now we hear they expect 85% of the occupants to use other means of transportation. If 75% of the occupants use MBTA buses to and from Forest Hills, they will have made the 35, 36 and 37 bus lines unusable by other residents for large periods of every weekday. Afternoon bus service, as proposed, would require hundreds of people crossing busy streets to a nonexistent bus station. Even if land were purchased on the south side of Belgrade Ave and a bridge built across the street, the elimination of service for the rest of us between the Parkway and Forest Hills is unacceptable. Chartered buses loading from the north side of Belgrade would be an alternative. 85% of occupants using the commuter rail would alleviate much of the roadway impacts, but getting 450 or more people on and off the train may cause delays which would negatively impact the number of trains that could use that line.</p>
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					<p>The single set of tracks beyond Forest Hills require that multiple trains on the line need to pass each other in Jamaica Plain as currently scheduled. The Bellevue station is on the opposite side of the tracks from the proposed site and has a tiny platform at one end that allows for carriage level access; all other cars require stairs which slow ingress and egress, especially as students tend to be carrying backpacks and such. If a long carriage level platform were built on the south side of the tracks (as part of the proposed retaining wall?), it might be possible to handle the higher level of use within a workable time period. Current train schedule has a 7:23 am outbound stop and 3:10 pm inbound departure. Next trains either way are more than two hours later. I haven't heard of the applicants offering any contributions to local infrastructure to mitigate their impact on the region other than tweaking the end of Anawan Ave which provides no benefit beyond the current conditions there. Without infrastructure improvements and a commitment to maximize use of trains and minimize pedestrian crossings and stuffing of public buses, the application should be rejected.</p>
2/16/2019	beth	weinberg	Wareham Pediatrics	Support	<p>Though I live in JP I work in West Roxbury at Roslindale Pediatrics. I am the Behavioral Health specialist and a licensed guidance counselor . I strongly support Roxbury Prep.</p>
2/17/2019	Linda	Burnett	Insight Realty Group	Support	<p>I think this will ultimately work and will enrich the community. That stretch of Belgrade has been a dead zone for years and could use some livening up. My gut is that everyone will adjust and the presence of the school will be a win-win.</p>

2/17/2019	David	Cavicchio		Oppose	<p>After attending the recent meetings on this project and carefully listening to all parties, I oppose this location for this project. I want these children to have a quality education and a school they can call home, however I oppose the project in the proposed location for the following reasons: I am a direct abutter and my egress will be blocked by the inflow and outflow of 600+ people to this small strip of sidewalk and street. In addition, this small area of sidewalk, which the school intends to be their main use for students, will pose a safety hazard with that many people as it is already used by walking commuters for the T, the sole access to a 16 unit condo residence, and a potential kids and ride for commuters. Adding 600+ people will not be feasible as there is no room. It poses a safety hazard. This will also generate more traffic on the Anawan extension and cause far more delays than what is being suggested by the schools traffic study. Maybe they are counting cars but when you add the 600+ population to this area of egress from our building, it will create more delays. There are also 2 other residential projects that have been approved within a 5 block radius of this proposed project. The traffic and delays are going to cause much more stress in an already congested area. I urge you to not approve the project in its current form. Thank you.</p>
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2/17/2019	Richard & Anne	Reed		Oppose	This proposal on this site is too large a structure/project for this area. The students arriving via commuter rail will have to cross the tracks, may decide to walk down the tracks to the Roslindale stop which jeopardizes the students. Also foot traffic will increase on the side streets, and crossing the main streets to get to the local corner market. The traffic situation during the morning and evening commute is atrocious, adding more cars and buses to an already horrible traffic situation will compound the issues commuters face every day from 7 AM through 9:00 and again in the afternoon. You also indicated the school would be used 7 days a week which will definitely have an impact on quality of life for the area residents. We are opposed to the building of the school at this site we are not opposed to a charter school being built in Rslindale but this location is not suitable for a school of this magnitude.
2/18/2019	Eve	Velazquez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Daniel	Eastwood		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Medhanit	Maru		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Janice	Hatcher		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Carline	Deleon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Lesly	Rodriguez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Virginia	Jimenez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Jane	Mbayi		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Gilberto	Ramirez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Lysette	Prosper		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Marie	Bernard		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Gissel	Chalas		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Ana	Mendes		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	CARLA	KNIGHT		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Cherel	Lockhart-LaRonde		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Alicia	Samuel		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Paul	Bruny		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Josette	Auguste		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Napoleon	Alexis		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Germaine	Williams		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Dequandria	Frazier		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Reynold	Philemon		Support	I 100% support Roxbury Prep to build a new building by that they can bring all the students together safely.
2/18/2019	Marc	Lefevre		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Marie	Sterline Janvier		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Edith	Arangoitia		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Jessica	Quesada		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Maria	Rosario		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Darlene	Norris		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Lirida	Colon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Andrew	Carlson-Sowers		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Suze	Theodate		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Maggie	Robbins		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Esther	Quezana		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Gnagna	Ndiaye		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Mercy	Cooper Yeleboe		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Kherrina	Francis		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Islande	Tunis		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Alayna	Medina		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Latasha	Rose		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Patricia	Harris		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Veronica	Feliciano		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.



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2/18/2019	Neil	Welds		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Zaida	Mateo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Victor	Matos		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Chiniqua	Milligan		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Erica	Cabral		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Tracie	Badgett		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Francisco A.	Rosa, Jr.		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Joao	DePina		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Lourdes	David		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Ubah	Hussein		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Lamarc	Boyd		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Alem	Sinke		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Alba	Guzman		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Ilana	Lara		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Marie	Herivaux		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Maria	Meaney	Mrs.	Oppose	<p>As a life long resident of the Roslindale area, I am STRONGLY opposed to Roxbury Prep. being built on Belgrade ave. I am legally blind and I am very concerned on the danger that the increase in traffic on the already heavily congested routes heading down towards Roslindale Square and Forest Hills station would bring. I frequently use the cross walk and the bus stop on Belgrade ave. and think it is not only unfair and unsafe just for me but for the elderly and young children in the neighborhood that actually live here. This school would represent a major safety hazard to all inhabitants of the area which does not seem to concern the people representing and supporting Roxbury Prep. There will be after school programs and functions during the school year and summer school during the Summer months leaving to no relief for traffic in our neighborhood. After attending meetings there seems to be inconsistencies in the stories of school representatives concerning looking at other previous sites and the general school population. And no explanation of why the previous areas did not work out for the project. The community should have more options on what would benefit the whole community for that location. PLEASE STOP THIS SCHOOL from being built.</p>
2/18/2019	Cleanne	Cardichon		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.</p>
2/18/2019	Janiene	Morris		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.</p>

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2/18/2019	Shiomara	Bautista		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Joel	Saint Jean		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Alfia	Turner		Support	I support Roxbury Prep to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Ave. The children are great!
2/18/2019	Lourenca	Teixeira		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Elisset	Perdomo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/18/2019	Marie	Desire		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Sheryfa	Valerio		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Elizabeth	Machado		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Kathia	Soto		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Maria	Feliz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Maria	Ramirez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Leticia	Sanchez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/18/2019	Sabrina	Seymour		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	John	Fontes		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Dina	Goncalves		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/18/2019	Ramon	Marte		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Cleibis	DeLeon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Karen	Mejia		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/18/2019	Samone	Johnson		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Naomi	Bones		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Lisnarda	Chalas		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Innell	Grant		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Norline	Amazan		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Kothar	Hussein		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Jamecca	DaRosa		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Michel-Ange	Narcisse		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Cristina	Lara		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Stephany D	Miranda		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Martine Louis	Jean		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Deborah	Tellini		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Lisette	Pena		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Nagla	Abdalla		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Louisa	Checo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Mahdi	Ali		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Sharita	Bennett		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Amina	Bisle		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Agustina P.	Sugo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Harun	Abdi-Omar		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Latisha	Beebe		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Ahmed	Ismail		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/18/2019	Uvinss	Solon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.



2/18/2019	Emma	Muthemba		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Angela	Cross		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Jarvis	Murray		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Patricia	Santos		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Bilan	Ahmed		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Indhira	Pina		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Joao	Cardoso		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Exfelia	De Leon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Mariela	Santana		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Hector	Franco		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Marcolina	Medina		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Juan	Valdez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

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2/18/2019	Adelia	Rocha		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Ashley	Ortiz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Denny	Pena		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Lily	Soto		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

2/18/2019	Ishmael	Sydney		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Caroline	Diaz		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Judy	De Leon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Martha	Hernandez		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/18/2019	Lovetta	Jalloh		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
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2/19/2019	Michael	Mazzara		Support	We are one of the few places if not the only one that doesn't have a high school. It's very important to the future of our community. Having a high school will enrich the lives of the students as well as the lives of the surrounding residents.
2/19/2019	Colleen	Powell		Support	I am excited for the idea of Roxbury Prep Charter high coming to my neighborhood. I believe having more schools in the community is a positive thing and I do not mind the increased volume of students in the area during the school day. I think the design of the building is awesome!
2/19/2019	Roshanda	Leak		Support	I am a huge supporter of Roxbury Prep getting the this High School built. I am a parent of two students that attend RPC-Mission Hill and I would love for my kids to have a High school that is not in two different locations. I feel the students deserve to be housed in one location with access to all the things other schools have like a gym, a café, more than just a space but a community that these kids feel is somewhere they can be proud to say they go.
2/19/2019	Eric	Brookfield		Support	My wife and I have been Roslindale residents for five years, and Boston residents for more than that. We are in full support of Roxbury Prep. We regularly walk and drive around Belgrade; the street can handle the minimal increase in traffic.
2/19/2019	CAITLIN	COPPINGER		Support	I support the high school project, I believe we should value education over traffic concerns within the community.
2/19/2019	Lirida	Alfonso-Colon		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. These kids are AMAZING!

2/19/2019	Jonathan	Spack		Support	I have no personal or family connection to Roxbury Prep or any of its students. But as a native Bostonian, educated in Boston public schools, I am a strong proponent of improving access to quality public education in the city. I fully support the proposed project, which will unite two separate units of a high school. Replacing a car dealership with an attractive, modern public high school will be a major upgrade for the neighborhood. The addition of many young people of diverse backgrounds to the area during the day is also a big plus. The traffic issues cited by opponents will be negligible, the same as for any school, including nearby Holy Name. I don't know enough about the opponents of this proposal to understand what's really behind their opposition, but why would anyone object to replacing a car dealership/repair facility with a brand new school?
2/19/2019	Todd	Wyner		Oppose	Railroad safety is my main concern. Teenage boy from Roslindale killed June 2008!due to walking tracks with headphones on; couldn't hear train coming from behind. The parcel for RP is simply too small. There has to be an alternative site suitable for those proposed occupant density. This has nothing to do with NIMBY; it's about safety and environmental harmony.
2/19/2019	Tory	Soutiere		Support	I wholeheartedly support the new construction of Roxbury Prep Charter School. Our children deserve a high quality public education in all corners of the city, regardless of their address. We need to make this school happen. It is an essential addition to our community and we welcome them with open arms.
2/19/2019	Betsy	Hinkle	musiConnects	Support	I love the idea of having this high school in my neighborhood. BPS is failing so many kids, and while I don't believe in charter schools as a rule, compared to BPS they are absolutely necessary right now. I welcome the diverse crew of upstanding youth and families this will bring to Roslindale.
2/19/2019	Ramon	Marte	Choate Hall & Stewart LLP	Support	Traffic not a concern when multi units condominium are going up all over Boston? A school should be no exception.

2/19/2019	Cheryl	Rosenberg		Support	The Roxbury Prep community will be a good neighbor to have on Belgrade Ave. The faculty, student, and parent population will bring foot traffic that will SUPPORT businesses along Belgrade and West Rox Pkwy. The school has responded to concerns presented by opposition, and made changes to show that they care about the community. Residents' concerns about traffic are ridiculous -- any development on this block will create more traffic because it has been VACANT for years!! This is a good school and a fantastic location to serve the community.
2/19/2019	Andre	Alguero		Support	Hello, I am writing to provide my unambiguous support for the Roxbury Prep High School in Roslindale. I am a 20+ year resident of Roslindale having raised two children in this neighborhood. Roxbury Prep is already a great school and having a high school in our community would be wonderful addition. Robust educational opportunities for K-12 children are key to this city's long term success. I also drive on Belgrade Ave almost daily and have no objections to the addition of the school at its proposed location. The impact will be overall very positive for our community. Best regards, -André Alguero Roslindale, MA
2/19/2019	Rachel	Willen		Support	To whom it may concern, I am very supportive of this project! I would love a school in my neighborhood. I believe it is a great use of the current space. I can't wait to have Roxbury prep as my new neighbors. Thank you!
2/19/2019	Wesley	Williams, Jr.	Roxbury Prep parent family	Support	Two daughters of ours were fortunate enough to obtain a seat at Rox Prep 8 years ago. They will graduate this year after successfully completing 9 advanced placement courses each. This is an accomplishment. The family will always wonder how school life would have been for them if they had an adequate physical high school facility such as that being proposed on Belgrade Avenue. It is our families hope that their siblings will have the high school facility that is more more suitable for their high school experience. .

2/19/2019	Spencer	McGrath		Support	As a resident of Roslindale with two young boys I strongly support building a high-quality public school in our community.
2/19/2019	Celdra	Allen	1965	Support	Please allow Roxbury Prep to build the new High School at 361 Belgrade Ave in Roslindale. I have a home owner in Roslindale on Aldrich St ( 10 minute walk from the sight). I support the project very much. It will be a great asset to our community. Also my son currently attends Roxbury Prep High School at the Roxbury campus. I can tell you first hand that everyone associated with this school is top notch. My son will be graduating next year so unfortunately he will not be to attend the new school. We support it for the future families who will benefit from the new school in Roslindale. Thank you, Celdra M. Allen
2/19/2019	Yovanny	Pulcini		Support	I support the building of this school because I value students' education over traffic concerns. I think this is a wonderful facility that will provide student with the needed space and resources for a quality education in the city of Boston. Please approve this development.
2/19/2019	Erin	Kennedy		Support	I believe this new high school would be a great addition to the Roslindale community. Roxbury Prep students deserve a true high school experience and this building can give that to them.



2/19/2019	Taylor	Maher		Oppose	<p>This for-profit development is good for no one other than the developers proposing it. To add 900 commuting individuals to an acre lot is not feasible, especially in this location. Of course developers will hire consultants that say we won't be impacted; that traffic will see barely any effect from this. We, the members of the community, know that just isn't true. The proposed development will make weekday commutes for the people who live in and care for the neighborhood even more unbearable than it is right now. Having this large addition will cause further congestion that we already see on our daily commutes. This morning it took me 4 rotations of the light at Walter and Belgrade. How bad will it be once the school is up and running? There is a serious need for more traffic studies of the area because the situation to date is unbearable. This is not an overly T accessible location, which means many more cars and busses will pollute the quality of air and life for the community. The busses are already packed like cans of sardines every single day. We see added traffic from activities at Fallon Field, Holy Name School and Church. This will put things over the top. This area is already used as a cut through for many to avoid traffic on the VFW, what now?</p>
					<p>There is a reason Mayor Marty Walsh and the rest of Massachusetts shut down the Charter School ballot initiative in 2016 despite money interests spending \$30 million - more than was spent on the casino ballot question - that is because they're not good for everyone. There is a growing sum of money they we, as tax payers of the City of Boston, dish out to charter schools every year despite our failing public school system. If Roxbury Prep passes, there is no doubt that number will increase, but who will truly benefit? As a life-long resident of Roslindale, I urge you to please consider the tremendous impact this will have on our community.</p>
2/19/2019	Sheila	Pimentel	Roxbury Prep	Support	This is much needed

2/19/2019	Gabriela	De Leon		Support	Hello, my name is Gabriela de Leon. I am writing this comment to support the construction of Roxbury Preparatory High School. This construction will benefit high school students from different grades and background. I would not understand if the city of Boston and its community does not support this cause. This idea is for the benefit of students and for the future generations. "Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today." - Malcolm X
2/19/2019	Rhonita	Hargrow	Parent	Support	I support allowing children to have all grades in one complete high school with a gym, auditorium and cafeteria. A place they can graduate from with their peers and one name. The rhetoric I heard at the last public meeting paralleled the protests and shouts I heard as a child in the 70's with forced busing, where children were harmed mentally & physically because of the bigotry of adults!
2/19/2019	Sarah	Byrnes		Support	I support this school and want Roslindale to be a welcoming neighborhood for all students.
2/19/2019	Catherine	Kelly		Oppose	I am against this project/school for 361 Belgrade. This location can not handle a project of this size and scope. Traffic is already gridlocked through that intersection on daily basis, rush hour and even outside rush hour. I live and work in west roxbury and at 1230pm on a Thursday afternoon as I was traveling to Roslindale Square on Belgrade, it took me three lights to get through and across the Parkway. Drivers on the Parkway were blocking the intersection -and this was the middle of the afternoon. Please do not approve this location for this school-the neighborhood and the people that live there will be negatively impacted with increased traffic, congestion, noise pollution and even air pollutants from gridlocked cars idling through.

2/19/2019	Ann	Cavanaugh		Oppose	I am opposed of the construction of a school in such a busy residential and business community! There are many available locations throughout Boston and other locations in Massachusetts that these students will travel from to attend charter schools! The congestion in traffic and public transportation will cause many logistics issues! Ann Cavanaugh
2/19/2019	Judy	Ulman		Oppose	Dear Mayor Walsh; Senator McCarthy; Senator O'Malley; Ms Kerr; Ms Gass: We do not support the Roxbury Prep Charter High School proposal at 361 Belgrade Ave While it is very important for Boston High School students to have a state of the art high school, this is not the right location Mostly due to traffic, small space and parking And reconfiguring Anawan Ave (a residential street) for drop off and pick up All of this will create a chaotic traffic nightmare for residents to get through West Roxbury Parkway to pick up routes to work This school belongs in an area where there is plenty of room - The West Roxbury Educational Complex on VFW Parkway VFW site has ample room for all high school age students coming from many areas ie. Roslindale, West Roxbury, Hyde Park, etc And it will not take money from BPS to be given to Charter Schools. Fix the public schools first! There is space for science labs, basketball, soccer, track, gym, an adequate library, cafeteria, parking, community meetings, etc This school should not be squeezed into a small lot that will only serve a small amount of students and create terrible traffic, blocked streets, and parking issues.

					<p>We have churches on each corner of West Roxbury, with plenty of community running projects: day care, food pantry, two commuter rail stops within a few blocks from each other, exercise groups, a YMCA, dance groups, music groups and so on And many of these community events do not have their own parking. The residential driveways are constantly being blocked by gigantic food delivery trucks for the food bank, and people who pick up food from the food bank block our driveways and even park in driveways that have no cars while they go to the food bank. There is not adequate parking for the commuter rail cars and people from all over the city who park on both sides of our residential streets and even park in front of signs that say ?no parking from here to corner? allowing no one to cross, or see the traffic. Cars are parking in every parking spot all along Centre Street so that people who want to shop in the stores on centre have no parking. People park in bank parking lots, Roche Parking lots, CVS and Walgreen parking spaces There are several apartment buildings and condos being constructed. Every inch of West Roxbury is taken with new development. Enough is enough. We have put up with our fair share of development It is difficult to have visiting company in our neighborhood because of the events, food pantry, parking and traffic.</p>
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					There is unrestrained development without adequate infrastructure and traffic flow. This is not Downtown Crossing, this is a residential neighborhood and community that chose to live in this area and we do not need every square inch of space to be detrimental to the residents, who walk, and drive, and push baby carriages, and take their children out. This is our neighborhood where we live. And adding a charter school will exacerbate the already issue of traffic, reconfiguring streets for drop off and pick up students, changing bus schedules, creating chaos for traffic going to main thoroughfares to get to work, and bicycle riders. Our neighborhood is overburdened - enough is enough. I am concerned not only for our residential neighborhood but for the Boston School Students who'd need a better site for their school Thank you. Judy Ulman
2/19/2019	Johanna	Littlewood		Support	I want to write in support of Roxbury Prep coming to 361 Belgrade Avenue. I live in West Roxbury and I would love to see Roxbury Prep come to the neighborhood. I have known parents of kids who went to Roxbury Prep and they were happy with the education their kids received. If the school has determined that this space is the best for their school, I see no reasons why we should deny kids a permanent school. Right now the school is divided in two. We should work to give kids a full, complete high school experience. That's the most important consideration. Let's think about the kids.
2/19/2019	Jessica	Tahiraj		Support	Just let the poor kids have their school. I don't believe the traffic will make much of a difference.
2/20/2019	Haytham	Khalifa		Support	We really need this school and I would highly recommend it to be built in the area. Thanks khalifa.

2/20/2019	Luke	Sutherland		Support	<p>I would like to voice my strong support for this project. I welcome development of the current used car lot and garage, and further welcome Roxbury Prep to provide a high quality high school to the Roslindale/West Roxbury area. Our community and city will benefit from this school being built on this site and the neighboring community will build a mutually beneficial relationship with Roxbury Prep to support the creation of a unified Roxbury Prep high school campus. I appreciate the development team's engagement with the neighborhood, their responsiveness to concerns, willingness to change plans and size, and transparency with the process and any impact. It is clear they want to become a part of this community and want actively engage with the neighborhood through the development process and beyond. I look forward to continuing this relationship when the project is approved. I live approximately 500 ft from the site on the opposite side of West Roxbury Parkway. I acknowledge the school will have an impact, though minimal, on traffic. I appreciate the thorough traffic study that was conducted in the area and the transparency of the project team to describe the actual impacts this project would cause.</p>
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				<p>I do not have concerns about the small number of additional vehicle trips this school will add. I currently walk through the intersection of Belgrade Ave and West Roxbury Parkway every weekday on my way to the Bellevue Commuter Rail Station. I also drive through the intersection any time I am in my car, including mornings around 7:00am when returning from the gym and evenings after 6:00pm after I return from work. The concerns about existing traffic at this intersection do not seem validated by my personal observations, and the impact of additional seconds to minutes that the school would create seem minimal, particularly when weighed against the huge educational benefit the school will create. Roxbury Prep demonstrates a huge commitment to their students, in the classroom and beyond. I trust that their current practices in place at other school of greeting students at key access points and transportation points will continue at Roxbury Prep high school in Roslindale. As a pedestrian who regularly crossed the intersections at the site, I do not find these intersections to be a safety concern, and the further addition of Roxbury Prep staff during student commute times will further enhance safety for students and for neighboring residents utilizing these crossings.</p>
				<p>I trust the school operations team will create efficient arrival and dismissal procedures for the large number of students traveling by reverse commute on the MBTA. I do not have any affiliation to Roxbury Prep. I am not a current parent or student, I do not have children and do not intend to have children, so my investment in this project is not for personal benefit for myself or my family. Rather, I am a neighbor who recently chose to move to the West Roxbury/Roslindale line, and I want to see our community invest in supporting the education of Boston students and future Boston leaders.</p>

2/20/2019	Katherine	Chousa		Support	<p>I have only lived in Boston for the last four years; it was where I moved after I left the military. I purposely chose Roslindale for the community and location. I currently rent but am looking to buy in Roslindale, specifically around the proposed area and hope to raise my family here. Fact of the matter is, Roslindale is still the city. Traffic in the city is inevitable. I saw some article stating we were voted number one for bad traffic, it is no secret that with a city comes traffic. I understand the concerns from those who oppose because of traffic, I have commuted from Roslindale into the downtown area and now I drive to work out of the city. I was in traffic for both commutes whether it was on the bus, T, and now my own car. When I come home, I sit in traffic around the Centre St. rotary and by Holy Name when their school is getting out. It takes more minutes than in the morning, sure, but I also sit in traffic going to the grocery store during off hours- there will always be traffic! I am one of those residents who also is looking to buy and am in support of some condos being built around the city. I took time to look up how many more residential units have been approved. Maybe that is great for my buying needs but also why are we not going to give more educational options to those who we want to move into these condos?</p>
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					<p>I am a twenty something, young adult who wants to raise my family in this area, and having another option for school is a huge sell for me. I know neighbors who to drive their kids much farther to school because of Boston's lottery system. Poplar and Birch Street are both getting upgrades to be more pedestrian and family friendly (the brewery in the sub-station allows kids!). This school will just add to our neighborhood in more beneficial ways than the one negative people have to say is traffic. The businesses on Belgrade may have chances to flourish with more flow of traffic and people. The school is community friendly, who is to say we can't have adult sports leagues being played in their gym at night? The possibilities are endless and I just think the benefits outweigh the risk in this situation. This school shows our neighborhood and community is welcoming to diversity, inclusion, and family. We are what we create ourselves to be and if we chose to neglect this than are we really a community?</p>
2/20/2019	Tatum	Iskra	local resident	Support	<p>I am writing to express my support for the construction of Roxbury Prep in Roslindale. As a local resident and parent of a young child, I value quality, LOCAL! education. As a graduate of the Boston Public Schools, I know the value of access to quality, free education and only wish I had such a school in my neighborhood growing up. The city would be remiss to dismiss this opportunity for its current and future youth in favor of traffic concerns that can be mitigated with thoughtful planning.</p>

2/20/2019	Terry	Dill		Oppose	<p>I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals. I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA. I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location. I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.</p>
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2/20/2019	Catherine	Issa		Oppose	<p>From the beginning you said you would listen to the voices of the neighborhood. IF you had LISTENED you would have realized that we don't want this shoved down our throats..... It is NOT the size - or location - IT IS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE AND VEHICLES THAT WILL DESCEND ON THIS SITE! You brag about the 50 odd places you have already looked at. Someone at the meeting brought up the point that you were offered two other venues and you declined them. I have no idea why everyone is so hell bent on this location. Probably because there is so much resistance to it! Has analysis been done that shows that 79.1% of West Roxbury residents commute by car, truck or van? Not to mention the population of Roslindale residents. Let's not forget the other THREE HUGE PROJECTS that have been approved by our fearless leader Walsh: 1. 317 Belgrade Ave. (to the left of the proposed school) 21 Condo units; 2. 400 Belgrade Ave. (kitty corner from 361) 20 Condo units; 3. 1711 Centre Street (across from the BPD) Condos slated - no #. These three developments are in a 3-BLOCK RADIUS from this proposed school site. Yes, we already have traffic issues here - so don't try to say that this proposed school wouldn't make matters worse. Anyone who has driven through this area knows for a fact that problems already exist.</p>
					<p>Zoning needs to be implemented HERE! TODAY! NOW!          The long time residents here love their space. It has been a place to call home, a desirable place to live and enjoy the perks of walkable venues. Although we are an urban town we have a suburban feel and that is why we continue to live here and want to protect our spaces from overpopulation like South Boston. And PLEASE don't pull the racial card....most of the families that live in this community are of all races and religions. A lot has changed in West Roxbury and Roslindale. We love everyone in it and welcome all who choose these towns to call home.</p>

2/20/2019	Richard	Chalfin		Support	I am a Roslindale home owner and I enthusiastically support having the school built at 361 Belgrade. Boston desperately needs more quality schools and this certainly is one. It appears that the proponent has taken the feedback from the community seriously and made substantial changes to improve the design. The main argument from those that oppose the school is the increase in traffic that may cause and increase in general commuting times. If the traffic is slowed at rush hour it will be a small price to pay for the enhancement of educational opportunity for the children of Boston.
2/20/2019	Judith	Dahn		Support	This high school is much needed for our kids to have one location instead of spreading in just any whole hole...in the case of the residents in the neighborhood where the school will be located them rejecting I just feel that it?s not their kids attending the school and it?s upsetting to them that our kids are from the inner city and not local. As a parent I just want the best for my child and I hope and pray they can get a high school to call their own, and a home.
2/20/2019	.	.		Oppose	.
2/21/2019	Lynda	Uche		Support	I strongly support ROXBURY Prep to build their high School at Roslindale. The school is great and had helped many students get into different colleges of their choice. Is a school that is culturally diversified. Give them a chance to put all their excellent potential /resources together for the benefit of our children.
2/21/2019	Helen	Glotzer		Support	We live about a mile from the proposed site for Roxbury Prep and are in full support of this project. We value educational access for the youth of Boston and the proximity to public transportation makes it an ideal site. We are fully aware of the potential for increased traffic, but see that as a manageable and reasonable change in terms of the impact to our lives. To be clear, we regularly drive that way (daily).

2/21/2019	Charles	Aversa		Oppose	<p>I think the placement of a school on the corner of West Roxbury Parkway and Belgrade Ave is a very poor idea. School busses will only exacerbate the traffic problems that presently exist. The children will be placed in a dangerous situation when trying to access the school. The traffic at that intersection is quite heavy during the hours when the school will be receiving and dismissing students. The two traffic lights, one at that intersection and the one at the intersection of the West Roxbury Parway and Anawan Ave are too close and traffic will build up at those lights. Traffic will also back up into the traffic circle near the police station. These traffic problems will cause huge problems. I firmly believe that this idea should be reconsidered. Why are you considering building a new school when you have so many BPS schools that are closed and could be used for this purpose? Unless this is privately funded, I see this expenditure as wasteful and an increased burden on the citizens of this city. Safety for the students and snarled traffic are my main concerns</p>
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2/21/2019	Julia	Summers		Oppose	<p>I strongly oppose this building. It brings too many people into a small tight area where there is additional buildings being built VERY close by. It is too small of a lot to fit this many people. If built, this building will put pediatrians, especially children?s lives at stake because vehicles will find alternative ways to travel such as cutting through Surrounding neighborhoods. I strongly oppose.</p>
2/21/2019	Catherine	Kelly		Oppose	<p>I OPPOSE project for 361 Belgrade. The traffic through that area is already extremely tough with commuters into the city and the school/preschool at the holy name Rotary. Traffic for commuters for the T also clog the streets with extra cars. This neighborhood cannot accommodate a project of this size with negatively impacting the quality of life for the residents of the neighborhood.</p>

2/22/2019	Levi	Patruz		Oppose	<p>I am very opposed to having a school built on this corner, as is most of our neighbors. Not only is the size of the space inadequate for such a large building, but it is dangerous to the 560 children proposed to go there. The building proposed is built edge to edge (some parts going over the edge) of the property, leaving no space for children to congregate outside when they are dropped off before and after school, and waiting for bus, train, parents to pick them up. This is already a dangerous intersection, without a school there, just last week a lady was killed crossing the street on Centre. The roundabout is impossible to cross, and will also leave children vulnerable. Proposing to have 560 children on such a small train platform is an accident waiting to happen, even if they figure out how to fit them all there. This is a tiny train station, that cannot accommodate such a large number of children. If something happens to one of them, who is to blame, the school?</p>
					<p>It's insane. 95% of the kids are proposed to come from neighborhoods outside of West Roxbury/Roslindale. That means very few parents will be there to keep an eye on the kids, because it's then only a commuter school. Who will make sure the high school students are safe. You can say "boys will be boys" but what happens when they really are just boys? The kiss and drop blocks the condo building making it impossible for them to get out of their driveway. If there is an emergency during drop off or pick-up, they are completely blocked and cannot get out.</p>

2/22/2019	Elizabeth	Canavan-Palermo		Support	I strongly support the building of Roxbury Prep's High School in West Roxbury on Belgrade Ave. The school would be a wonderful addition to the neighborhood - and is located near bus lines and the commuter rail, allowing students multiple ways to get to school on a daily basis. Traffic issues seem to be minimal based on the analysis done - and not at all out of line with what we should expect when adding a school. As a West Roxbury homeowner and lifelong resident, I urge the BPDA to support this project to bring a high school to West Roxbury.
2/22/2019	Julia	Hansen		Support	As a resident of the West Roxbury neighborhood and a graduate of the Boston Public School, I am happy to show my support for this proposed project. The location is convenient for commuting students and I would be proud to have this institute as a part of our community. I would also like to address the fact that some opponents of this school do so on a racist desire to keep students from outside of the West Roxbury area from benefitting from a public school benefitting from our taxes. I am deeply ashamed to live in a place where such views are held, and I welcome all people to our community, especially those whose local public schools are underfunded.
2/22/2019	Alyce	Johnson		Support	I strongly support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. I am eager for their arrival!



2/22/2019	Mary	Corbet		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
2/23/2019	Alan	Goodman		Oppose	Aside from the many space/ traffic issues having the number of students traveling thru such a small residential neighborhood 2-4 times per day unsupervised is not fair to any of us
2/23/2019	Marie	Palermo		Oppose	Questions remain unanswered and cannot be ignored. I attended several meetings, read all published articles, listened to politicians, listened to the Boston Development and read comments etc. 1. Where is the traffic study? 2. Where is the safety and risk assessment and plan addressing emergency evacuation routes, with first responder access and who is responding? etc. 3. Where is the MBTA plan and agreement? No plan presented so far. 4. Where is the plan to keep Colbert St. a Resident Parking only zone? This will become a drop off, pick up and free-for-all parking area. Let's face it, parents or whomever will not drop off or pick up on Belgrade. 5. How does the schools' Lottery support the local/neighbor kids?

2/24/2019	Shradha	Patel	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	To Whom It May Concern: As a staff member, and resident of Roslindale, I strongly encourage the BPDA to approve the Roxbury Prep High School project. This school represents and reflects the best our community has to offer. From the scholars who are college bound and community stewards, to our staff who works tirelessly, to our families who have great hopes and love for their children, our community would be blessed by their presence. For those who have questions about traffic, or partnering, they can reach out to any Roxbury Prep staff member directly -- we are happy to partner. As we have for almost 20 years. Please approve this project -- it's the just and honorable thing to do. With gratitude, Shradha M. Patel
2/24/2019	Margaret	Dale		Support	I have lived in West Roxbury for 33 years. I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
2/24/2019	Mohammed	Lali		Support	There is nothing like education
2/25/2019	Jaskiran	Behl	RPHS	Support	This building is a necessity for our students. Our kids have spent too long without one place to call home. Each day we remember something we did in high school and for many, this is considered the best time of our lives. Our students need that too! Please, allow this building to come to fruition.

2/25/2019	William	Young		Support	<p>The current car lot isn't all that great, and will likely be replaced by big residential building if it doesn't become a school. Or maybe another bank branch. High schools are important, because they allow our neighbors to train for work, to prepare for college, to live more thoughtful lives, and to become informed citizens. I live two blocks from the school. I'd like a high school in Rozzie. Housing's important, too, because people gotta live somewhere, and building more of it eventually keeps the price down. But we just got a bunch of new condos within a few blocks. Maybe do something else, too? (Though we have enough bank branches, thanks.) Traffic concerns have been flagged by some of my neighbors. I doubt very highly they voiced those concerns when the various new condo buildings went in. (Did any of them submit a comment to you?) And I doubt very highly that they have realistic expectations about what an alternative plan might look like. I can tell, 'cause no one's citing the traffic study having actually read it with a trained eye. Or (as far as I know) priced out what an "independent" study might cost, nevermind commissioned one.</p>
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				<p>Or considered seriously what "reverse commuting" looks like, or why the T won't make promises based on hypothetical plans, or why most city kids don't have cars, and why if they did have cars it would be entirely their right to park in my neighborhood where signage permits. Of course I expect be some minor-to-moderate impact on traffic; no one has suggested the impact would be null. But ?null impact? shouldn't be the requirement, only that the impact be reasonable and that no better alternative proposal exists. Nor are concerns about student health and safety persuasive. I'm willing to trust the school leadership (also my neighbors!) that their students would be healthier and safer in a new building in a leafier neighborhood, rather than in their current sub-par digs (over the bar, with the leaky roof). And I trust the school has an adequate strategy to truck out its trash, trust the kids know how to cross the street and the commuter rail tracks. (There's an ADA complaint about a nearby pedestrian tunnel, I guess. As with many of them.) Nor are concerns about environmental impact persuasive. Reducing runoff and building appropriate underground waterworks will reduce the site's localized negative hydrological externalities. Recall the current use is a *car lot*--which, other than a coal pit or a DDT factory, is about as un-green as possible.</p>
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					<p>I don't know about how much soap and hot water it takes to get the oil away from the kids, but I trust that it can be done. At least as well as it could be done on the nearby gas station that's now condos. Nor are concerns about the charter school funding formulas. That's a problem for the state legislature, not the BPDA. Nor are concerns about paper streets and hypothetical easements. Not unless anyone's planning to build an extension north of Belgrade across the train tracks. (The "across train tracks" is the key explanation for why abandoning that plan is not a significant cost to the public.) Nor are concerns that the school will serve largely lower-income people. I'm not in that group (not now, at least, luckily), but I'm proud to live in a community where my tax dollars help kids attain the American Dream (or minimal civic equity, when the Dream isn't available). Nor are concerns about variances. Compared to similar recent projects, the current proposal is asking for a minimal amount and degree of such variances. I understand that it would be standard practice to allow much more in the way of such variances for a project of this scope. Nor are concerns about the school's failure to reach out to its most vocal critics. I personally witnessed an active supporter of the school calmly request a moment to have a meeting and discuss the proposal.</p>
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					<p>The request was quickly and with animus rejected by such critics. Me, I went to Latin, back in the day, and had to ride two buses to get there. Didn't hear the neighbors along Huntington complain about too many buses and trains. Even if they had, the city wouldn't have forced the school to move. "Break up Latin School into sub-schools of 500 kids or less, none of whom can be trusted to drive to school on the rare occasion that a city kid has access to a car." That's not a good argument after the school's been built. And it's not much more persuasive (from an equities point of view) before it's been built. It would be great to have a decent school in walking distance. Good planning spreads schools around the city, locates them near (anticipated) growth in school-aged kids, sites them near public transit, and even puts them in nice, safe buildings. I'm a former high-school teacher. I know education is important. I know it's worth some localized costs, even when those costs are visited upon my own community. I'm not sure what the test is here. Other than to see if the community values the education of young people as much as the convenience of those who no longer require access to education for their own children. I'm rapidly becoming middle-aged, I suppose, but I still side with the young. And it's my community, too.</p>
2/25/2019	Adam	Rogoff		Support	<p>I am very supportive of the Roxbury Prep Charter School on Belgrade Ave. It will activate an underutilized portion of a main corridor in Roslindale and will do so while providing a thoughtful use for the site. I am focused on how the school will increase foot traffic in the area, bring employees and students during the day that will support local businesses and effectively augment the collection of existing uses in the area. I ask, however, that as a condition to providing permits, the city require that the school provide MBTA passes to its employees free of charge as way to encourage the use of public transport and mitigate the environmental burden of car usage.</p>

2/25/2019	Jim	Coen		Support	<p>I am very much in support of Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School moving to Belgrade Avenue. Boston is growing and Boston Public Schools haven't kept pace. Yes, BPS recently built the Dearborn STEM 6-12 Early College Academy which is the first new school construction project in BPS in 15 years. BPS also announced the closing of the West Roxbury Education Complex at the end of the current school year. Boston parents and students citywide deserve more choices where they can attend school. Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School has shown that they have high academic and personal standards. The school would be a great addition to the educational excellence already available in West Roxbury and Roslindale and offer local families much needed educational options. I am very much in support of Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School moving to Belgrade Avenue.</p>
2/25/2019	James	Brooks		Support	<p>Just out of college, I joined Teach for America, and was a middle school teacher in inner city Philadelphia. One thing I learned was that environment influence students in a profound way. An unsafe neighborhood is extremely distracting to students. Likewise, a crowded, falling-apart classroom is hard to teach in. Here, as a neighborhood, we have a chance to do something really positive. By giving the school a chance to build a brand new facility in a very safe neighborhood, we set their students and teachers up for success. When students are proud of where they go to school, it shows. This one is something to be proud of. I did have some concerns about this project - such as it's impact on traffic and parking. I think though with the redesign you've addressed my concerns about parking and traffic overflow to the point where I'm comfortable with the project on all levels.</p>

2/25/2019	Denge	Agola		Support	<p>To Whom is may Concern, I am writing in Support of the Roxbury Prep Project in Roslindale. As a nearby Roslindale neighbor to the proposed site, I see no better use for the site than a School. I for one know of other charter schools who have looked at this site for their expansion - there is a reason why; it makes sense from a zoning and transportation perspective. I would like to also address some issues that I have not heard come up with regards to the group voicing the opposition. 1. Most of the opposition members are of the baby boomer generation or even slightly older. I have no issue with people of this age group. This may be inaccurate but I have drawn the conclusion from what I have witnessed at the public hearings and public protests of the project. My point is that most of them are retired, or if not, close to that age. How and why is commuter hour traffic a concern to people who have no where to go other than the local grocery store or post office of which they can go at any of the day? They have had the luxury of enjoying the benefits of "less traveled" roads and now do not want others to use them. This is not only selfish but also baseless argument on their part. 2. Most of the residents who oppose this project are West Roxbury Residents.</p>
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					<p>Let us all be honest and say when has West Roxbury as a community ever been welcoming of any project, let alone one that serves a community other than their own? This project happens to also to be in Roslindale. As a neighborhood, I would not be shocked to find out that it has the highest rate of vehicle ownership per household and use public transportation the least in all of Boston. If my assumptions are correct, this makes the oppositions argument even more baseless as they themselves are not doing anything to alleviate traffic but expect others to. Again, these could all be misguided assumptions, but I have observed a lot being a resident in the parkway areas for 11 years and living in both West Roxbury and Roslindale. As a parent of two young daughters who have gone through the BPS lottery and not awarded any of the our school choices, I welcome any quality school that is walkable and that neighborhood children can attend. Roxbury Prep is a great school with a great track record. they are allotting seats to a lottery of which anyone can apply - that includes surrounding neighborhood children. I am in full support of seeing Roxbury Prep come to Rolsindale and become a wonderful addition to the neighborhood. Sincerely, Denge Agola 136 Beech Street Rolsindale, MA</p>
2/25/2019	Kari	Poniatowski		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep as an asset to the community. In working to address traffic issues the school and students will add value and the willingness to cooperate will reduce challenges. Students are the future.</p>

2/25/2019	Martha	Echan		Oppose	<p>I am among the hundreds of immediate neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at that location that will accommodate 500+ individuals. After attending one of the Article 80 meetings to discuss the changes made to the original proposal I am even MORE discouraged about this project. What I heard over and over again from the school representatives/builders etc., was "...we are looking into that...", "...we are still trying to figure that out...", "..We don't know exactly how many/much/long...", "...we are in discussions with...", specifically in regards to actual transportation plans to accommodate the influx of many 100s of students by rail and bus on a daily basis. Just because a "reverse commute" sounds great and you really hope it works, does not mean it will! You can't just "add stops" to a timed train schedule (one of the "we're in discussions with MBTA" ) without a severe ripple effect on every stop following (coming or going). At the meeting I attended, there was no representative from the MBTA nor any commitment from from MBTA, indicating that they will make changes to schedules, or that current schedules of rail and bus could even handle this load.</p>
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				<p>As someone who depends on the commuter rail daily and pays the the Zone 1 monthly fee of \$200.25, changes in the schedule would negatively affect my commute and the hundreds of others who take the Needham line who have to be to work at 9am. It's not a matter of "leaving a few minutes earlier" as supporters of the school said at the meetings. For rail commuters it's means leaving 40 minutes earlier- to catch an earlier train! For me those 40 minutes are time spent having breakfast with my son before he's out the door for school. Being a working parent, time spent with family, no matter how brief or rushed is precious, and something I am not willing to sacrifice! I really hoped the builders/school reps. would have provided some real information and solutions at this meeting instead of just presenting a list of sites they rejected, and a scaled down version of the school and telling us they "listened to the community".</p>
				<p>It shows they did not listen at all! After all this time they should have had solid answers for the surrounding neighbors to address our concerns and the did not! There is enough opposition and concern raised that three state and two local politician have filed a joint letter opposing the project. I have no doubt the school is doing great things for the students, unfortunately it is just in the wrong location for the a project this size. No one expects the property to remain as is. That is unrealistic. I feel it would be better used for affordable elderly housing, possibly with first floor businesses. I urge the BPDA to seriously consider how many REAL unknowns and unresolved questions still remain about the Roxbury Prep project, and not allow it to move forward. Thank you, Martha Echan 94 Beech St., Roslindale</p>

2/25/2019	Alexander	Ko	myself	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale! The traffic will not hurt any of us local residents! It's more important that these students have a safe, dignified place where they can learn than any impact to us residents. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
2/26/2019	Patrick	Kelly		Oppose	The city is not listening to the community that is affected by this project. It will create a traffic nightmare!
2/26/2019	Maureen	Tripp		Support	As a resident of West Roxbury for the past 30 years, and the parent of four children, all four of whom attended different Boston area high schools, I look forward to the Roxbury Prep Charter School joining our neighborhood. We have many schools nearby, and we've learned to accept the challenges (some traffic at drop off and pick up times, in the case of Holy Name School) while enjoying the benefits of a vibrant community. I've found that schools function like mini-community centers, offering opportunities that build the health and wellbeing of residents nearby--hosting sporting events, like Catholic Memorial, theater performances like Roxbury Latin, and community service events, like the Mozart School. Moreover, students and their families support our local businesses. I love living near schools, and I welcome Roxbury Prep to the neighborhood!

2/26/2019	Alfred	Follen	1952	Oppose	I was neutral about the school despite the fact that the supporters argument ended with "kids need school" until the developers reduced the size of the building to avoid public involvement in the permitting process. That seems like a shady move to me, and I hope someone is investigating this deeply. My comment is about hazardous waste contamination. I haven't read or heard anything about the contamination of this site which has been a used car lot and repair for 60+ years. I would like some assurance from appropriate state agencies that the public will not be liable for the remediation costs. Thank you for your time, -Alfred
2/26/2019	Nathaniel	vice		Oppose	I commute to and from the Bellevue MBTA Commuter Rail Station every weekday. A lot of cars travel on Belgrade Ave and W Roxbury Parkway and those streets are already very hostile to pedestrians. I would welcome this project if it included widened sidewalks, planted easements, or supported the neighborhood's pedestrians. I'm worried that this project would worsen traffic and make my commute more dangerous.
2/26/2019	Cameron	Fear	Resident	Support	As a resident of Roslindale, I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. I have attended community feedback sessions and seen first-hand how the school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. They have worked to address two of the most common concerns and changed their original plans to reduce the size of the student body and square footage of the building. They have also continued to work to find alternative locations, yet 361 Belgrade is still the option that will best support the students. Roxbury prep students deserve a facility with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. I strongly believe the new school will be an asset to both the students and the community and will be disappointed if the BPDA does not choose to approve this project.

2/26/2019	Allison	Frederick		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project?size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
2/26/2019	Andreia	Dos Santos		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/26/2019	Jillisa	Durant		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
2/26/2019	Carolyne	Kelly	Roxbury Charter High School Boston Planning and Development	Support	I support construction of the 361 Belgrade Ave. Roxbury Charter High School.
2/26/2019	Jesse	Littlewood		Support	I live in West Roxbury and love my neighborhood. I would love to see a quality school providing a quality education for more students in my neighborhood, and that's why I strongly support the Roxbury Prep plan at 361 Belgrade Ave. The values of my neighborhood guide me to provide a great childhood and great education for all kids. I support Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade in order to live those values. I'm looking forward to Roxbury Prep coming to my neighborhood.

2/26/2019	Bridget	Donovan		Support	I live close to the school site and am more than supportive of Roxbury Prep joining the community. It is a great spot, accessible by transit, and the planning committee has been responsive to community input and concerns. If NIMBYism is stopping the project, we need to reprioritize. Adding a school to our community is absolutely worth any headaches that those opposed to change in general may endure. I hope that you will engage in this process with us and proceed in development!
2/27/2019	Jennifer	Kempinski		Support	Support this addition to the community!
2/27/2019	Elisa	DaCunha		Support	As a resident of Roslindale, I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has listened to community feedback and made appropriate changes to accommodate the concerns of local residents. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. I strongly believe the new school will be an asset to both the students and the community and will be disappointed if the BPDA does not choose to approve this project.
2/27/2019	Sarah	Lee		Support	I support the Roxbury Prep high school and urge the City to approve the project. As a Roslindale resident and a mom of two young kids I am excited about a new quality educational opportunity for our neighborhood. The school has gone above and beyond responding to concerns from the community, and have made a lot of concessions. This development is a great opportunity for our kids, our businesses, and our neighborhood. Please approve - thanks!
2/27/2019	Lauren	Sava		Support	I support this project!
2/27/2019	Joan	Lynch	Mrs.	Oppose	Not a good place for a school, it will cause such traffic nightmares.

3/1/2019	Mary	Roderick		Support	<p>I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.</p>
3/1/2019	Sheryll	Strohl-Hammett	Resident	Support	<p>Dear BPDA, These comments are to show my absolute support for the development of The Roxbury Prep School at 361 Belgrade Avenue. My husband and I have been residents of Roslindale since 1986 and have seen it grow and improve over time. In 2006 when we sold a large property in Roslindale we knew we did not want to live outside Boston and could have chosen another neighborhood. Instead we chose to buy another home in Roslindale. It is so exciting that Roslindale may be the home of this quality school which the families and their students committed to the school so deserve. The students I have met (two of whom are my neighbors) are great kids, smart, engaging, kind, devoted to their families. I can't think of a better use of the location than to have the kind of wonderful positive energy that such kids will bring. The location has long been a terrible eyesore. The renderings of the planned building show what an attractive and thoughtful design will occupy the corner. Please approve the building of Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale. Best, Sheryll Strohl-Hammett</p>



3/1/2019	Tony	Fusco		Support	I am a neighbor of the project and I support it. I think the concerns over traffic have been overblown. I think the school has shown great respect for the neighborhood in scaling back their project. Let's choose education over minimal concerns about disrupting traffic. Let's choose the future of these kids over the knee-jerk NIMBY reaction that many people are having. It is not fair to deny this project the go-ahead.
3/1/2019	Maureen	Hickey		Support	I strongly support the proposal for Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade Ave. I think the school will be a great use for the site and aligns with the community zoning process that was completed about a decade ago. I also think that the school has made a great effort to adjust their proposal in response to community concerns. They have reduced the size of the student population. They have reduced the height and density of the building and the FAR is only slightly greater than what is permitted as of right. And they have added parking in response to community feedback. Finally the fact that this use will be accessed primarily by public transportation, particularly reverse commuters during rush hour, is a great benefit to the neighborhood and the regional transportation system. As a close neighbor to the site, I hope that the city takes leadership and permits this high quality school at 361 Belgrade Ave. Sincerely, Maureen Hickey
3/1/2019	Peter	Amstutz		Support	I fully support the Roxbury Prep charter school in Roslindale. It would be a great addition to the neighborhood and would not cause a heavy traffic burden due to the available public transportation available. With no available high school in Roslindale, it is a much needed resource.
3/1/2019	Mitchell	Carney		Support	I live just around the corner from the proposed site, and am incredibly supportive of the proposal. I think that it would be an incredible asset to both the students of Boston, as well as the greater Roslindale community.

3/1/2019	James	Gumpper		Support	<p>To Whom It May Concern, As a resident and homeowner of Roslindale, as well as an educators at Roxbury Prep High School, I am eager to support Roxbury Prep High School moving to 361 Belgrade Avenue. Simply put, I think that this would be a fantastic spot for a school. First, a school would be a great addition to that end of Belgrade Avenue. If you have seen the pictures of the planned construction, you can?t deny that it is a beautiful proposal. Second, one of the main arguments I?ve heard against this location is that it does not include enough parking. This proposal actually includes 76 parking spaces, most of which would be underground and out of sight. I cannot think of any other current businesses or organizations in the neighborhood where parking is as easy to find as it would be at this school. Moreover, I've never seen or experienced a lack of available parking along that stretch of Belgrade Avenue. The spots in front of 361 Belgrade Avenue and across the street are routinely empty. The school wouldn't need those spots, but this is just to point out that the argument about the school causing a parking emergency is completely unfounded. Third, Roxbury Prep is a great school. I am in my 9th year working for Roxbury Prep, and there are a few things that make it different.</p>
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				<p>For example, Roxbury Prep is a very tight-knit community. The students and staff are a great group of people, and they look out for everybody. This school is also always pushing to improve the education that it provides to its students. Fourth, another argument that I've heard against the school is that it will cause a traffic nightmare. While I personally don't believe this is true since the vast majority of students would travel to and from school on underused public transportation as it is a reverse commute from downtown and Forest Hills, I also don't think traffic is a reasonable argument to prevent a school being built. As a society, we cannot allow the impatience of drivers to be held in more regard than the education of our children. Is that really the society that you want to live in? Furthermore, I can't think of anybody in Boston who doesn't have to deal with traffic during their daily commute. Our city is growing and traffic will continue to worsen in all neighborhoods until we improve our investment in public transportation. This is not a reason to prevent the growth and development of organizations that serve the community. Last, our students ? just like all students ? deserve to go to high school at a single, welcoming campus in a safe neighborhood.</p>
				<p>Currently, students do not have permanent science labs, an on-campus gym, or performing arts space. All of these would be included at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Furthermore, our 9th and 10th grade students are currently being educated at a separate campus from our 11th and 12th grade students. Think of all the times that a younger student has been deprived of an older role model, and in turn all the times that an older student has missed out on an opportunity to be a leader and mentor. Think of the friendships that haven't been built. Roxbury Prep students deserve to have a home, and 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale is a perfect place for this home. I hope you will support and welcome our students to the neighborhood. Sincerely, Jamie Gumper</p>

3/1/2019	Amy	Paris		Support	I think we need more robust options for public education for our kids - especially in my neighborhood. Traffic and other concerns seem minimal in comparison to what we owe our children.
3/2/2019	Heather	Gamache	Resident	Support	I live on Kenneth Street and use the Belgrade MBTA station for commuting to work. I fully support Roxbury Prep and look forward to welcoming the school to our neighborhood
3/2/2019	James	Gallagher	Resident	Support	I live on Kenneth Street and use the Belgrade MBTA station to commute to work. I fully support Roxbury Prep and look forward to welcoming the school into our neighborhood
3/2/2019	Denise	Monks	Resident	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's proposed building and move to West Roxbury. Their planning team has listened to the neighborhood, made appropriate adjustments to the building plan, and addressed all other neighborhood concerns. They will be a good neighbor and an asset to West Roxbury.
3/2/2019	Patrick	White		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. As a teacher, I believe that it is essential that we provide a high quality free and public high school option in the Roslindale/West Roxbury neighborhood. Roxbury Prep will meet that current need and serve our community's children over time. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project's size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.
3/2/2019	Barbara	Surujbally		Support	I support Roxbury Prep going into 361 Belgrade ave. They have been responsive to the community's needs. The school is accessible by bus or commuter rail, which would be what a high school needs. It would be a great addition to the community and local businesses.

3/2/2019	Roy	Karp	Self-Employed	Support	<p>I am a Roslindale resident writing in strong support of Roxbury Prep's proposed new high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue. My wife and I have lived in Roslindale for 8 years and send our daughter to the William H. Henderson K-12 Inclusion School in Dorchester. We have no formal connection to Roxbury Prep, but believe the school has put forward a sound proposal that will benefit not only Roxbury Prep students, but the entire neighborhood by providing a vibrant new community space. Roxbury Prep has proven to be highly responsive to community concerns by making significant adjustments to the project's scale and dimensions. Despite these changes, some residents are still complaining about the potential impact of the new school on traffic. These concerns are driven more by fear than facts. The high school has chosen this location after an exhaustive search process based in large part on its access to public transportation. Most students will get to and from school by bus or commuter train in a reverse commute, making efficient use of existing transit infrastructure. I attended the first BPDA public hearing on this project and heard many people bemoan the impact of the school on their daily commute.</p>
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					<p>I believe this reflects an enormous sense of entitlement to public roadways that are resources belonging equally to all of us. When people in cars complain about traffic, they seem to forget that they are traffic, that they are contributing to the very problem they decry. Despite the slogan of the project opponents, you cannot "stop" an address. 361 Belgrade Avenue exists. Currently, it's an ugly, underutilized auto maintenance facility and shuttered tire dealership. The site will be re-developed at some point. If it's not a school, it will most likely be developed as new residential units, which will have a far greater impact on traffic. I'm confident that such a proposal would inspire little or no opposition from the folks vocally opposed to Roxbury Prep. I hope BPDA will see past the thin veil of "traffic concerns" that has been used to mask what I believe is a shameful indifference to the educational needs of students of color. Like many residents, my wife and I have proudly displayed a sign in our window declaring that "We support Roxbury Prep." In September, I wrote in favor of the proposal in my column for the Dorchester Reporter (<a href="https://www.dotnews.com/columns/2018/roxbury-prep-charter-school-students-deserve-state-art">https://www.dotnews.com/columns/2018/roxbury-prep-charter-school-students-deserve-state-art</a>). We welcome this new high school and believe it has a great deal to offer its students and the entire neighborhood.</p>
3/3/2019	Chris	Stulb	Resident	Support	<p>This school will be a valuable addition to the neighborhood and City. Providing top notch educational facilities should always outweigh minimal traffic concerns. Especially for a site that is served by multiple public transportation options. Please approve.</p>
3/3/2019	Aliza	Phillips-Stoll		Support	<p>This school would be a great use of the space. I highly endorse!</p>
3/3/2019	Dave	Santucci	Mr.	Support	<p>I support having a public HS in the Roslindale/West Roxbury area. Roxbury Prep has a good reputation and has gone above and beyond to address any concerns albeit these concerns are mostly veiled racism. We deserve and need a public HS in our neighborhood.</p>

3/3/2019	John	Kalaitzidis		Oppose	<p>Dear BP&amp;DA; At the last meeting there were some false comments made that I wish to clear up. a: Roslindale lacks diverse educational facilities and doesn't tolerate diversity... TRUTH is, Roslindale has 7 schools just a 2 1/2mile radius from 361 Belgrade ave., location. IE: Mozart, Washington Irving, Curley, Bates, Holy Name, Sacred Heart, Int'l School of Languages, which combined serve thousands of students from many diverse cultures and backgrounds. b: Roxbury Prep staff will "mandate" that students are "dropped off in morning", "Kiss &amp; Ride" and "Go straight home after school". Not linger around the tracks and/or neighborhoods . TRUTH is, Nobody can "mandate" any such nonsense. It would violate each students' rights, liberties and freedoms. After school once students are off school property, staff CANNOT dictate orders. ALSO developer can't "mandate" parents to drive their kids to school. As taxpayers' the parents have a right that their kids are presented (by the state) a viable method of transportation to and from school. c: Developer "cares about the community" and "students as well".. TRUTH is, the developer only cares about \$\$\$. In order to accomodate the 562 students (this number changes constantly) their would need to be a minimum 150k square ft of allocated space by state law.</p>
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					<p>(300 square ft of space per child)... There is just 49k sq ft available. The developer either doesn't know this fact or is knowledgeable and not compliant. In either case, unacceptable!! These are our kids, NOT CATTLE to be herded from current location into another inadequate location. Building codes MUST be adhered to. Including height restrictions. As responsible stewards of the community we OWE IT to the kids to provide a safe and adequate environment which enhances their learning experience. ALSO, if we wouldn't subject our kids to such inadequate conditions why then is it ok to subject "these children" to same? d: School staff and developer stated that "some students will be allowed to go home an hour early" to alleviate neighborhood traffic concerns... TRUTH is, if one does the math... That's 5 hrs per week, 20 hrs per month, and almost a month's worth of time lost in the course of the school yr. If developer and school staff are "really seeking the best" for the students then why are they offering to take away some students' education in order to "alleviate traffic concerns" of the local residences? AND, which parent will be ok with "their child" receiving a less than quality full education which the child can NEVER regain? You see my point?</p>
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				<p>The developer will say anything to appease the community and the elected officials in order to achieve their agenda. e: Developer stated that a Traffic study was done which shows limited impact on local community. TRUTH is, that studies can be skewed to reflect the agenda of the entity paying to have them done. If one comes to Belgrade ave during any given week you will see that the 2 lane road can barely sustain traffic when along with the T busses, Coke Cola big rig makes a delivery to Home Market, or Costas Provisions big rig makes a delivery to Stash's Pizza or Rustic Pizzeria. Not too mention on garbage day the influx of traffic worsens even more. AND lets not forget the intersecting choke points (street lights) which hinder traffic even more. Logistics of the location are terrible. f: Parking will NOT be affected during after school activities. TRUTH is during a basketball game for example both teams have 15 players each. Then you have the cheerleaders, friends and family members of both teams as well as officials which easily can reach over 50 to 70 people. The area cannot sustain such an influx. School proposed parking will be inadequate to handle this given the lack of available space. g: Developer and school staff state that the students' safety is of paramount importance. TRUTH is, every year or two another child is struck by the commuter rail train while lingering or playing on the tracks. (Look it up)..</p>
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					<p>Kids will be kids. No matter how vigilant we attempt to be in monitoring them. Its just a matter of time when somebody's child will be struck by yet another train. What then do we tell the parents of that child? We didn't see this coming? h: Developer stated that Belgrade Ave location is ideal. TRUTH is, the developer has a contract with property owner to make \$\$ at student and community expense. Consider, Hyde Park High School, (currently closed) can adequately handle ALL of these children AND offers the amenities (T and commuter rail accesability, parking, etc) which they seek. W.R. H.S. as well as Millenium Park in West Roxbury can best be utilized to serve this purpose too. And the 4 lane Parkway as well as open land / parking spaces can accomodate more than 40 school busses. We love the children. We love the school.. It's the numbers' we don't agree with... PLEASE give the aforementioned your utmost consideration and tell the developer "Not in This Location".. Kindest Regards John Kalaitzidis / 508-364-3187</p>
3/4/2019	Leah	Denlinger		Support	<p>I have lived here for over 20 years and have witnessed all the changes in this neighborhood. We invite change in order to grow . Having an additional school here would be a great plus to this neighborhood and I invite that over any business that could afford that property. I support this project completely and know, like we have done with all the other changes here, we will evolve with it . Thank you, Leah Denlinger</p>

3/4/2019	Ilana	Lara		Support	<p>Dear BPDA, I am both a resident of Roslindale and a parent of two Roxbury Prep students (11th &amp; 8th Grade). I am writing to express my support on building the Roxbury Prep High School facility on 361 Belgrade Ave. As a resident of Roslindale for the past five years, my family and I have seen the growth that this community has had. We chose to live in Roslindale because it has everything a community needs, except a high school. We've witnessed the growth of restaurants, stores, parks and many amenities that promote union among our community's residents. As both a resident and parent, I believe that this building will complete our community, bring together families, as the school is willing to share the building for community events, and provide not only my children, but all children in this community with a high achieving education for years to come and grow as a strong part of the community along with all the new amenities that compose our neighborhood.</p>
					<p>As a resident (0.8 miles from the proposed building site), the impact the traffic will have is minimum compared to the positive effects that having a state of the art building that will bring this current eyesore of a site in our community to many families by providing our children with a fully equipped building to fulfill all needs and continue to provide the amazing high level education that all children deserve. Although my 11th grader might not graduate from a building that serves all students of the high school, I hope to have my 8th grader graduate from a building site that matches the quality of education that both receive from Roxbury Prep. Please allow this project to move forward for all families that are now and for those that in the future will be residents of our neighborhood and community. Thank you, Best, Ilana Lara</p>

3/4/2019	Colleen	Powell		Support	I believe bringing a new school to Roslindale is a worthwhile investment. I believe the minor inconveniences to our neighborhood are worth the investment of a offering good education for the students of Boston. I am very happy with the proposed design and look forward to the construction starting soon!
3/4/2019	Maria	Carmona		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/4/2019	Joseph	DeMasi		Support	Our city needs new schools. Let them build it. Traffic?!?...Guess what? We live in city. If you don't like traffic, move to Maine. Our kids need and deserve a new school. Please do not listen to those racist curmudgeons that say "save our neighborhood." They want to keep out "those" kids. It's despicable.

3/5/2019	David	Sandak		Support	As a Roslindale resident I am writing to share my strong support for the proposed Roxbury Prep school building on Belgrade Ave. I feel the school will add to the vibrancy of the neighborhood and will be a huge asset. I continue to be impressed with the responsiveness of the school's leadership and willingness to work with the community to address concerns. It is exciting that a school will be built on what is now a rough abandoned site. I am encouraged that the school will enforce a "no driving" to school policy for its students and given the proximity to public transit, this seems very doable. As one of the only neighborhoods in Boston without a high school, I enthusiastically would like to welcome Roxbury Prep to our community and hope that my kids will have the chance to attend this school. I am baffled how the building of a new school, using private dollars to help disadvantaged kids in Boston is controversial; in my view we should be rallying around this school and doing whatever we can do to support their vital mission. Many thanks, David Sandak, Roslindale
3/5/2019	John	Goconi	local resident	Oppose	I believe this project is still to large for the lot size and that traffic will be profoundly impacted in a negative way. The traffic is already very dense with the morning commute and Holy Name School drop off. Afternoons are not much better. Perhaps the West Roxbury Education Complex might be a solution for this project. I have lived in this neighborhood for over 40 year and am happy with many positive changes. Sincerely John Govoni
3/5/2019	Ava	Delevante-Atkinson	Ms.	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

3/5/2019	Keisha	Beepath-Taha		Support	I support this project 100%. These students deserve a new space to learn. They deserve to stay in one spot for grades 9-12. I think this location is also very perfect as well. We are all hoping for the best outcome here.
3/5/2019	Coleene	Collins	Parent	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/5/2019	Coleene	Collins	Parent	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/5/2019	Rafael	Mendez		Support	With all my heart I support Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School. The way of teaching is amazing, In my opinion the middle school student currently at school and the new generation that coming deserve it.
3/5/2019	KALESHA	MASON		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/5/2019	Joseph	Toussaint	1978	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because my son and these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/5/2019	Harun	Abdiomar		Support	I support this building because my daughter and other children need high school for Roxbury prep. Please help us to help the education of our children Thank you very much for your cooperation

3/5/2019	Camelia	Toussaint	852	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/5/2019	Tikeysha	Michel		Support	I am a parent of a current student of Roxbury prep Lucy stone campus. We live in Roslindale and knowing that my child would not have to travel an hour or more to get to school would be a great comfort and less worry of the challenges he and other students face to commute to and from school.
3/5/2019	Lisnarda	Chalas	Roxbury prep charter school	Support	We need the high school please
3/5/2019	Dianne	Lloyd-Jones		Support	I am in total support of this project! The Roxbury Prep students definitely deserve to have a permanent state of the art facility, it's long over due! This will be a great partnership between the school and it's neighbor's!
3/5/2019	William	Rocha		Support	I wholeheartedly support the building of Roxbury Prep High School on Belgrade Ave. It is the right school in the right place. It is forward thinking and will prove to be an asset for our community for many years to come.
3/5/2019	Sarah	Rocha		Support	Please approve the building of Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave. Roxbury Prep had worked hard to address all neighborhood concerns and will do right by their students and the community.
3/5/2019	Emily	Adams		Support	I have been a supporter from the start however after attending recent meetings and hearing the redesign I am even more excited to welcome Roxbury Prep into the neighborhood. I am invested as a neighbor, parent of young kids, as well as a local educator. I hope the school will continue to work closely with the direct abutters so everyone feels heard.

3/5/2019	Shandolyn	Anderson	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/5/2019	Roberta	Conway	Bellevue Hill Neighborhood Association	Oppose	Traffic concerns. Property not sufficient for Proposed number of students. West Roxbury High School complex would be a good place for Roxbury Prep. There is room and another School would be wonderful just not at Clay Auto. There is a building boom I'm confident Roxbury Prep can find a suitable location and Mayor Walsh appears to be very supportive of more building.
3/5/2019	Cynthia	Santos	Vine Street Community Center	Support	This is in support of a the building a new stat of the art facility for the students of Roxbury Prep. They so deserve this & to move into the future. We did outreach to the community letting them know how we want to become their neighbors. Thanking you all in advance for your consideration. My Grandchildren look forward to attending to Roxbury Prep in it's new location & I look forward to meeting our new neighbors formally. God Bless & Here's 2 A United Community!! Cynthia Santos - Chair, Grandmother of Ma'kai Porter-Santos, Synea & Camryn Core
3/5/2019	Julie	Pierre		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.
3/6/2019	Joao	Depina	Parents	Support	I want my high school in West Roxbury
3/6/2019	mark	manfra		Oppose	I oppose this location for the school. Too much traffic and congestion already exists in this location.



3/6/2019	George	Embleton	Bellevue Hill Improvement Association	Oppose	The Roxbury Prep. High School project proposed for 361 Belgrade Avenue appears to be a disruptive plan for the area. My primary concern is traffic and also risky foot traffic. I do not oppose the institution; I oppose the placement of the project at the proposed corner of a busy intersection. Cannot the City's "development" arm assist in securing a less disruptive and safer site within our city?
3/6/2019	Anne	Bellew		Oppose	I am a West Roxbury resident. The placement of this school at this location is fraught with problems. There already exists a severe traffic issue surrounding this area. More development is being planned on Belgrade adding to an already very congested area. Adding several hundred more people descending on a new school just doesn't make good sense to me. This will only exacerbate an existing problem. There is no space for kids to hang out. If they choose to walk to Centre Street, there are several streets to cross. As you are certainly aware, pedestrian travel on Centre Street is already dangerous having a fatality recently. With the closing to the High School on the VFW Parkway, why wouldn't that location be considered? It seems to me to be a no-brainer. I'm concerned that people feel that this is a racial issue. I can unequivocally state that is not the basis for my opposition. I just think there must be better options for all concerned. Thank you.
3/6/2019	yocasta	serret		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

3/6/2019	June	Downey	BHIA	Oppose	<p>Hello, I was at the meeting when you toured the 361 Belgrade site, very much appreciate your meeting with us. It's always good to see the real people behind the official titles. I hope it was good for you to see the real people behind some very legitimate concerns about this site. I am a long-time resident of West Roxbury. I am also a member of the Bellevue Hill Improvement Association but this comment is from me; I am not speaking for any organization. I like what I've learned about the school and would like to have it in our area. This site, however, seems a poor choice for a school. You've already heard enough objections, I won't list them again. You have already heard once from me, but I have since learned that there is a very suitable site, already configured as a high school and currently underused, on the VFW Parkway in West Roxbury BUT it belongs to the City of Boston. Can the Roxbury Prep school administrators divorce themselves from the Belgrade Ave. property developers? Would the City of Boston be allowed to support a charter school in this fashion? Could they (the city) charge rent?? I understand that this would be a major, very complicated change but well worth considering. Thank you, June Downey 135 Bellevue St. West Roxbury</p>
3/6/2019	Michael	Casey	Bellevue Hill Resident	Support	<p>I support a new HS in the area with all efforts to be made to mitigate possible traffic and congestion issues. Mike Casey</p>
3/6/2019	Pearline	Kirby		Support	<p>I support the project for the high school for the Roxbury Prep students. These students are in need of a high school and the project have been well discussed with the community and their concerns looked at</p>

3/6/2019	Ellen	Duffy	Business owner & resident	Support	Boston desperately needs more/better options for our students. The exam school process and lack of alternatives has driven hundreds of wonderful families to the suburbs over the years. I am excited about Roxbury Prep, and hope it will soon become the destination of choice for our students. As a nearby resident, I am excited at having the area revitalized with students and teachers and the energy that will bring. Our students deserve the opportunity - Let's do this!
3/6/2019	Briget	Harwood		Support	My daughter attends the Roxbury prep middle school and so far I am happy with the results of her being there and would love for her to continue with the Roxbury family through high school it would be a blessing for me my daughter and other Roxbury prep family, Thank you.
3/6/2019	Omariesh	Melo		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented. Mom of a 8th grade student and a 5th starting next year, our kids deserve it! Thank you! Omariesh Melo
3/7/2019	Natasha	Cole		Support	I support Roxbury Prep High school because my child is a student and he needs a high school to attend with his peers to continue receiving a great education. Go Roxbury Prep High.
3/7/2019	Olivia	Dunlap		Support	This is a school that will help your kid grow up and know what it means to be an adult. Being able to be a student here is a great responsibility for me in being who I want to be. Even if I won't be able to actually have the building, at least I will be able to actually watch other kids succeed and be the future of today.

3/7/2019	Olivia	Dunlap		Support	This is a school that will help your kid grow up and know what it means to be an adult. Being able to be a student here is a great responsibility for me in being who I want to be. Even if I won't be able to actually have the building, at least I will be able to actually watch other kids succeed and be the future of today.
3/7/2019	Sebastian	Martinez		Support	I am a student from RPHS and all these years I have been waiting for a building but we have never gotten one. For the seniors the change of buildings has been harder on them because they have gotten taken out of their usual safe space. Our school is divided in two and this sets a bad example for the kids in a lower grade because they can't learn more sense of responsibility from us.
3/7/2019	Wide	Gerilus		Support	I support the new school building for Roxbury Preparatory High School. I am a student at RPHS and we have been yearning for a new school building for years, somewhere that is safe and somewhere the students have places to move around. Because of our locations for the past few years, not only has it been hectic for some students, based on their grades to go to one place, and other students to go to another place, it makes it harder for not only RPHS to be one whole school community, but it makes it harder for students to look up to their fellow upperclassmen and find their way. I believe that RPHS new building should be approved because we deserve it. Our students are taking college level classes, passing, trying their best, having a new building will help them feel better when coming to school. Many of us would go to great extent to make sure that the underclassmen see the things the upperclassmen have been promised, but never got.

3/7/2019	Ruben	Rodriguez		Support	I truly support the building of this school because it's a school that helps students with less access and opportunities to truly break the limits that surround them because of society's restrictions on them whether it was based on their race,sex, and financials. This school brings students from different backgrounds which really makes the community much more diverse.
3/7/2019	Jeneya	Black		Support	I support this school for the building because ever since 7th grade I had always loved the the community and teachers in this school. This school helps me to prepare for college and earn college credit for AP courses. This school helps me make sure that i I can improve my grades and stay after school for tutoring. I am able to communicate with my teachers and friends whenever I need help with certain homework or don't understand what is happening in that specific class.
3/7/2019	Sheila	Cole		Support	I support Roxbury Prep?s high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit oriented.

3/7/2019	Haidee	Guity		Support	<p>My name is Haidee and I am junior at Roxbury Preparatory High school. Although I have had to spend my high school experience at one of the our buildings that looks like an apartment right above a dentist and a dollar store, I want for the younger classes to be able to experience High School in a real building. The ability for each grade to see each other rather than having to wait for whole school events like field day (where one building has to take school buses to get to "our" field), coffee houses that are usually at our upper campus building, etc. It would be more convenient for future students to all be in the same building. If other high schools have the ability to all be in one building then we should too. Please let RPHS have their building, they're doing so much for our futures, they deserve it. Us students wouldn't have access to opportunities like being able to do PSATs so that we are prepared for our actual SAT that we recently got to do in our own school or allowing students to travel the world during the summer time or taking tons of AP classes if it weren't for them.</p>
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3/7/2019	Maria	Touliopoulos		Oppose	Hello I have lived in Roslindale and West Roxbury for over 50 years. I am over 75 years old. Due to physical and financial reasons, I want to downsize to senior housing. I am not alone. Many of my friends in the area and neighbors are in a similar position. I want to see 361 Belgrade be developed into housing for seniors. There can be market rate apartments for those who can afford as well as a mix of affordable units for seniors that are being displaced by high rents. West Roxbury has one of the highest percentage of elderly in the city. The Roxbury Prep project does not service the needs of the residents in the area that it is being built in. Neither the elderly since this is not senior housing development nor the young since only about 5% of the students from Roxbury Prep are currently living in the Parkway area. I also am concerned about my ability to get on and off the bus going from Roche Brothers to Roslindale Square with the number of students being dismissed at the same time and taking the bus that I need to be on. Please do not forget the needs of those like my self that live in the community.
3/7/2019	Tara	Agrawal	Boston Children's Hospital	Support	Wonderful opportunity for our neighborhood to support education!
3/7/2019	Erik	Gehring		Support	I support the Roxbury Prep proposal for Belgrade Avenue in West Roxbury. I'm sure there will be some negative consequences for this project, as there are with any project, but the positives of welcoming a high-quality school to the area with a focus on public transportation will far outweigh the negatives.
3/7/2019	Dunia	Goncalves		Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented.

3/7/2019	Ryan	French	1993	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because the students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented.
3/7/2019	Luz	Pimentel	Resident of Boston	Support	I am in support of this school, because it is being built for a good cause which is the education of youths. Currently the building that we are in does not provide us with some of the resources that are important to the high school experience.
3/7/2019	Chanely	Almonte	resident of Boston	Support	I support this cause because it will be a good place for students to have their own environment, and have their own community. It will be better for all students to interact with one another instead of being separated. It will bring people together, and have more activities for one another.
3/7/2019	Maia	Williams	RPHS STUDENT	Support	I am writing in support of this location for Roxbury Prel High School. Roxbury Prep really needs this building so that the upper and lower class can be together as one whole community. The students would thrive in having one building.
3/7/2019	Elsa	Hishe	Roxbury Prep Student	Support	I am writing in support of a new building for Roxbury Prep High School. As a senior, it made it difficult to communicate with the lower school because of the distance between the two campuses. Not having one building limited my high school experience, whether that be not having a pep rally or certain events as one community. Having one building will also allow the upper class men to lead as examples for the younger students.
3/7/2019	Jefri	Sanchez		Support	I am writing in support of this location for Roxbury Prep High School because this location is better beneficial for my younger brothers and sisters due to the transportation availability from home to school and school to home. Also, this location is a great way to keep helping our community grow more and have a big place where all our peers can learn in one building together. Many brains are better than one.



3/7/2019	Shaslyn	Clark	Roxbury Prep High School Student	Support	Although I'm a graduating senior, I believe my school should still get a chance at a brand new building. I've experienced being a founding student in middle school and high school, and it's not fun feeling like a "fake school". In middle school, our 5th grade class started in a basement, but the following year moved into a real school building, which made my middle school experience much better. In high school, I've always wanted a building and to feel like a real school because two separate buildings divides us so much. It would be a great help for the younger classmen.
3/7/2019	Nadjee	Jocelyn	Boston Resident	Support	To whom it may concern, I am writing in support for this location for Roxbury Prep because I want my younger peers to experience their time in High School in their own building. As senior at Roxbury Prep, I want to see my other peers have the opportunity that I did not have.
3/7/2019	Jayvonie	Hall	Roxbury Prep Student	Support	I am in support of this building because I want the younger generation to learn in a safe environment. People who currently go to to the Maywood campus isn't getting their full learning experience because the environment here isn't safe. People are complaining about the noise and how the people are outside doing things that aren't spoken about
3/7/2019	Shalandra	Smalls	Boston Resident	Support	I am writing in support of the construction of this school because as a senior, I would like to be part of a legacy that gives the opportunity that I wasn't given to my younger peers. Starting up in this school, we've never had a permanent building which got in the way of the efficiency of my education and athletics. These kids deserve to be given a better chance.
3/7/2019	Ajanay	Hughes Pearson	Roxbury Prep Student	Support	I am writing in support because as a student I think that the location of the school is both safe and convenient. Also we deserve to have a build and we work hard day in and day out the least that we could get is a place that is for us and only us. Since freshman year we have had to travel to different places in order to go to things like basketball games or school dances.

3/7/2019	Juanique	Chambers	Roxbury Pre High School Studnet	Support	I am writing this location for Roxbury Prep High School because we the students have been promised this since we were in the 6th grade. I am a part of the senior class, the first graduating class, and we won?t even get to walk the hall of the building. I am wishing that future students will have this amazing opportunity.
3/7/2019	Alecia	Pina	Roxbury Prep	Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because the upcoming students and the rising class deserves a new building, something that the seniors at Roxbury Prep never had. Not having a building defiantly impacting my opinion of going to this school. It made me feel as though I was not getting a real high school experience. I want other students to get the best experience they can. Hopefully, in a couple of years, i want to come back and visit and see what Roxbury Prep had turned into.
3/7/2019	jonathan	penarosario		Support	build that school.
3/7/2019	Genea	Lynch		Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because students should be able to go to school in a safe neighborhood and the current location is not so safe sometimes. Also students should be able to get the high school experience they deserve.All the students should be able to be together in one building so everyone can build a bond and be family together
3/7/2019	Constatin	Rodrigue	Roxbury prep student	Support	I am writing to support this location for last week prep high school because as a senior I believe it is very important that the kids coming after me have a safe space where they can learn and be part of a good community . Roslindale is an amazing community and i believe that it would benefit tremendously from a school like Roxbury prep. The kids need a space where they can build community and grow together .

3/7/2019	Leticia	Camacho	Roxbury Prep Student	Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because right now as a senior and founding class of the school we have not had a normal high school experience. If we were all in one building our 9th peers would have a sense of community and what it feels to be a highschool student. The current conditions that us as students are facing is uncomfortable having no lockers to put their things in, as well as no gym facility, the neighborhood where the current building are located are not very safe making our parents feel uneasy about staying afterschool and joining afterschool activities.
3/7/2019	Genice	Lynch	boston resident	Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High school, because as a current senior here at the school, I understand the struggle of not having a unifying building with all of my peers from each grade. Getting this building would help finally make this school feel like a real high school and Roxbury Prep High school can finally reach its full potential.
3/7/2019	Elianny	Tejada-Diaz	Roxbury Prep Student	Support	As a current senior I am writing to support the location for the upcoming Roxbury Prep High School building because as a current student who attends this school is an essential missing part. With a school building it would allow the future scholars of RPHS to be reunited in a school building we can call home and make us feel as one instead if being separate campus. Along with the fact that Roxbury Prep as a school as reached many milestones and being able to achieve this goal of having our own school building will not only bring multiple success, but make us feel like we have achieved another goal of ours as a family.

3/7/2019	Cristian	Lopez	RPHS student	Support	i don't want to see the predecessor's that came from the same school as i to graduate in a school that is deteriorating, being that i want them to enjoy themselves in a building where it is adequate enough to hold all of students so that these people can enjoy the time with them. Creating this building around a community that offers all of transport and the ability to participate in activities, will surely fulfill a future that RPHS wants.
3/7/2019	Manuel	Tiburcio Vargas		Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because I believe that school's should not have limits to teach younger generations. This helps this new generation to achieve bigger achievements because we have more space for teachers to teach.
3/7/2019	Ashley	Villar		Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because as a student of Roxbury Prep for almost 7 years, I believe its important to share a building that we can call a home. I am in the 12th grade and I have a brother in the 10th grade. We are separated because of the different buildings. I am not able to go to school in the same location with my younger brother, so it is difficult for my parents to pick us up from school and drop us off especially during the brutal winter. Space is limited and as we expand it is difficult to fit many students. I remember in 9th grade when they combined 2 Roxbury Prep middle school students into the 9th grade, and it was difficult to move around in the hallways because there were so many students that could not fit.
3/7/2019	Zayla	Goncalves	Boston Resident	Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because i believe that all students should be in a location that is safe to students and where students feel like they are safe and protected. At the moment, there's separate buildings which divide the freshman and sophmores from the Juniors and Seniors. I think that all the grades should be together so that the younger students can learn from the older students and have role models to inspire them to get good grades and succeed in going to college.

3/7/2019	Fliseily	Luna Gonzalez	Roxbury Prep Student	Support	<p>As a formal senior at Roxbury Prep High School, I want a building for the other students that will follow me because I know the struggle of not having a permanent building. I want the following students of the following classes to come to have an understandment of education I, which Roxbury Prep does really well at, but also get the high school experience that I, along with my classmates didn't experience. It can become my permanent home after coming back from college, even though I did go 4 years without a building as previously mentioned. I would like to see the foundation that my class (as the founding class) set, be exposed in a larger building where all our ideas can come alive. Having a building would make students along with staff and students, feel like a community rather than going to school with half of the school and the other half of the school at another location, as I experienced because I didn't have a building.</p>
3/7/2019	Jancarlos	Tejeda	Roxbury Prep	Support	<p>I am writing to fully support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because it is an amazing school. I've been a student in the Roxbury prep network since I have been in the 6th grade, and this school has taught me a world of things. But aside from that, we have been fighting for a safe haven for our school since 2015. We were promised time and time again to have a building for our class and it never happened. Right now, our school is located in a chaotic Roxbury neighborhood and we struggle to get to class everyday in this frigid weather. With the approval of this location, our school can provide for the future scholars of our city and with that, better education from the best school in Boston. We, as the graduating class, may never get to experience the building, but our wish is to continue the legacy of Roxbury Prep at this location. Thank You. - J.C (Roxbury Prep Positive Leader Since 2012).</p>

3/7/2019	Kenyah	Hunt	Roxbury Prep student	Support	I am a senior at Roxbury Prep High School and I am in support for building this school for future generations because it is important for these students to have a real high school experience and have a real building while being connected with all their fellow students. Having a building is important because it gives the opportunity for the school to grow as a whole community and be successful in the future.
3/7/2019	Samson	Prosper	Boston Resident	Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because it gives student's a safe place to learn and also helps us connect with one another due to the Two buildings that splits two grades, the freshman's and sophomore's doesn't really have a chance to meet us.
3/7/2019	Shemaiah	Charles	Roxbury prep student	Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because I feel like it will give the students a sense of how it really feels like to be in our own building. I also think that it will add on to the legacy that we as a Rising High School are trying to build.
3/7/2019	Jamoni	Waller	Roxbury prep student	Support	I would love for Roxbury prep to get this building ASAP for many reasons. But the 1 reason I want to talk about this one is because I noticed that having an older group of kids in the building helps the younger grades a lot. My freshman and sophomore year I didn't really take high school serious because I didn't really listen to my teachers about there experiences. I wish I had an upper class to give me advice because they just went through it and it's easier to listen to someone more of your age. My class didn't have the luxury of having an upper class but if we get this building then the upcoming Roxbury prep students would learn and follow the upper class is a positive way. I believe this is the best solution for this because I wish this happened for me <sup>100</sup>

3/7/2019	Joshua	Grant		Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because I want future generation of roxbury prep students to have a safe environment where they can learn in peace and a place that they can truly call there own and not have to worry about crossing the street to go to gym class. Also it will help the whole school feel united because right now we have two campus and many of us don't know the students in the lower grade and a school should feel connected with each other.
3/7/2019	Hana	Abate	Boston resident	Support	I am writing to suppose this location for Roxbury Prep High School because as a Roxbury Prep Senior, I see how it affects my younger peers in the freshmen and sophomore class. We deserve the same experince as other high school students. I has been a struggle for the seniors to provide advice and help to the younger kids because of the major location gap. Also, getting this building in Roslindale will provide all students a safer, more community feel to students. As many of you know, there are several safety hazards in the community of Roxbury that we currently attend school in and it just is not fair that we do not get a safe building in a safe community. Please take this all into consideration when debating this topic.
3/7/2019	Rayon	Everett	Roxbury Prep Student	Support	I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High school because as a senior although I may not directly benifit from this building , but I know my underclass men peers will not only be in a more function, and productive space, but also a safe environment around them posing little to no distractions when learning. This building will be a landmark for RPHS students, an important place showing change in our community to make a better place for the future of students. Also the community around is very good for the students, with positive vibes and a safe space.

3/7/2019	Victoria	Marrero - Lara		Support	<p>I am a junior student form Roxbury Prep High School and also a Roslindale resident. I am aware that I wouldn't have the opportunity to study in the building but I would love to support the project on behalf of all the other students since we all deserve a building to be together in. I also have a brother that is currently in 8th grade and it would be great for him if he could have his high school experience in a school building which is also 10 minutes away from our house. Roslindale deserves to have a highschool and such location would bring success to the community and all Roxbury Prep students.</p>
3/7/2019	Virginia	Walker		Support	<p>I am a junior from Roxbury Prep High School, and we were told when we were freshman that we will get a building. 2 years later, I am still in this tiny little school fitting within all these other students, trying to get the the same places we have always been at. We were all so hopeful to be able to get a new building and actually feel like we are getting a high school experience, but when we were denied the building, we lost trust in the schools success and offerings. Also being an athlete in Roxbury Prep is very hard because we do not have our own fields to lay outdoor sports such as football, soccer, track, baseball, and softball and we would often have to share the fields with other sports and not have enough room to actually practice. Also we would have to travel very far on our own for indoor sports such as volleyball and soccer just to go to our practices. Even though I might not have the chance to actually be in the building, I think students who are coming from middle or even Roxbury prep background, should be give a better experience then what I got because they will be able to interact with all grades instead of just the grades separated.</p>



3/7/2019	Benjamin	Obianigwe	Roslindale Resident	Support	<p>I am writing to support this location for Roxbury Prep High School because I live in Roslindale and think that this is school will be a great fit in Roslindale. The students deserve a safe neighborhood to go to school because they need to be allowed to trust the people around them. Right now our upper school campus is in Roxbury which is a known dangerous environment and our younger peers deserve better.</p>
3/7/2019	Yinessa	Baez		Support	<p>I personally have been promised this building since I was in the 5th grade. I'm currently a junior, yet I still don't have a definitive location to call home. I don't want that for the future generations who are going to graduate from RPHS. Future RPHS students deserve to have a place that they can call home because it is not fair neither to them nor their parents to have them learn in a small and crowded place. A high school student needs the complete high school experience, and one can't have that without a building. The location in Roslindale has favorable transportation, and would be a good place for the Roxbury Preparatory Wolves to call home.</p>

3/7/2019	Diane	Handy	resident	Oppose	<p>I am writing to restate my opposition to the 361 Belgrade Avenue project. After attending the 2nd public meeting about this project, I realized that the developers can promise lots of things, most of which cannot be enforced. What shouldn't be ignored is the influx of 620 individuals into a busy area of West Roxbury/Roslindale during peak travel times. This will be detrimental to the community. It will affect local traffic flow, commuting and transportation, with negative impacts on local businesses and neighborhoods. Importantly, this area overlaps one of the Greenbelt Roadways and will have adverse effects on traffic and parking on the Greenbelt Roadway and adjacent streets! Unfortunately even though this project abuts the West Roxbury Pkwy there has been no study of the impact of the project directly on the Parkway. Isn't this the point of Article 29 to protect the Greenbelt District? Even if this is not a large project (ie. under 50,000 gsf) , this is a dense project with a huge number of people needing to access the site on a daily basis. Even the developers admitted that the project will impact traffic on Anawan and Belgrade (although they are ignoring the impact on the PKWY; and seem to minimize the impact of increased bus usage and the large increase in pedestrians).</p>
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					<p>I would also like to mention that at the last meeting, the traffic/transportation presenter also inflated the underground parking spaces, twice stating that there will be 52 spots (instead of the 46 presented in other plans). Nonetheless, parking will be an issue, because the spaces in the garage are primarily tandem spots and the small above ground lot won't provide many spaces without the use of costly valet parking. Plus, the above ground lot isn't to be used during school hours. Note that the entrance to this above ground lot is directly off the Pkwy and if it was used during rush hours will cause traffic backups. Given the inadequate parking at the facility, visitors to the school during school hours or at after school events will be taking parking spots from nearby residents and businesses. The increased use of Anawan as proposed in this project is highly problematic, it will be used as a drop off center as well as a loading/unloading zone for deliveries as there is no loading dock for this crowded project with over 600 building occupants. It seems that given the space limitations in the area, loading/unloading deliveries will prevent the use of the area as a drop off and visa-versa.</p>
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					<p>The tremendous surge in bus usage by this large project will also contribute to traffic tie ups; buses will be stopped for extended drop-off/pick up periods for 55 students/staff members, one bus after the other on a major commuting roadway during rush hour and other peak traffic times. Furthermore, capacity use of these buses will have a ripple effect on bus schedules and commuter transportation. Increased foot traffic will also cause problems. Sidewalk and bus stops in the area are not ready to hold 55 students X 10 buses over condensed periods of time. I would also suggest that any mass usage of the commuter rail will similarly result in overcrowding of a station not made for a large influx of users all at once. Promises about orderly use of bus stops, on the near side of the West Roxbury Pkwy are only one of the promises that can't be kept. It seems likely that students and staff will cross the Pkwy to use bus stops on the other side of the Parkway as well as sites further down Belgrade. Promises regarding the prohibition of students driving to school are another promise that can't easily be kept; as it would be simple to park a car on a neighborhood street a few blocks away and walk over to the school.</p>
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				<p>Furthermore plans to make the Commuter Rail station more accessible are not yet approved by the MBTA: denial of these plans will lead to even more pedestrian traffic on Belgrade Avenue. The students are great but this site is not ideal for a high school. It will not offer access to outdoor space for recreation and sport. And it is not clear how transportation to off sites for team sports will affect traffic in the area. This is not a Roslindale school, regardless of all of the hype about it being a local high school. This will be a school that is built in Roslindale. It will serve the Roxbury prep Charter School pipeline and if there are any seats left, then anyone who gets in via lottery. No preference to locals. Given the number of students already in the Roxbury Prep pipeline, it looks like very few additional local students will be gaining access to this school any time soon.</p>
				<p>The neighborhood gains little from a project of this magnitude at this site. I contend that the project is too big for this location. (Regarding the FAR measurement. I am confused about how it is calculated: is the deeded lot from the Parkway subdistrict included in the open space calculation?? By law, it can't be built on, so it seems like it shouldn't be counted in the calculation of FAR.) To summarize, this project will add to the congestion and crowding in the area by erecting an immense building that occupies nearly all of the space that can be built on. Furthermore, this project doesn't serve the local community and instead burdens the community by increasing traffic and impeding local transportation. Overcrowding on this small space also leads to questions about safety. I would like to see something new at 361 Belgrade, but not this project?it is too big for this location. Thank you for your consideration.</p>

3/7/2019	Lilly	Percival	Resilient Coders	Support	I support Roxbury Prep's high school project because these students deserve a permanent, state-of-the-art facility, which will be an asset to the community. The school has done extensive outreach to inform the neighborhood about its proposed plans, which are well-designed and transit-oriented.
3/7/2019	Judy	Ulman		Oppose	Dear Boston.Gov Elected Officials I would like to find out what your thoughts are about the Roxbury Prep Charter School proposal for 361 Belgrade Ave. We are opposed to the project because of traffic congestion along Anawan Avenue, Belgrade Avenue, West Roxbury Parkway, and the effect it will have on the entire residential community that surround these thru-ways at peak rush hour am and pm. The safety of students, drop off and pick up issues. This is a bandaid approach to a much larger issue. We need to support the Boston City School system rather than grabbing unacceptable places to plunk down a school (just to cross it off the elected officials list) that isn't going to fix the problem but will create a lot of angst with the residential community. We have taken our fair share of new building in our area so much so that we cannot even get out of our streets, we cannot find parking, we have blocked driveways, we cannot cross the streets. Two commuter rail stops, three churches and food banks. People taking the commuter rail that cannot find parking park their cars on every residential street surrounding the commuter rail stops. Residents cannot have repair people, or guests because the entire streets are used for commuter rail parkers.

					<p>Even in front of places where people need to shop, all available parking spaces are taken by commuter rail parking. The city is taking a quiet residential neighborhood and turning it into a traffic ridden, congested, thoroughfare that is ruining our community. This proposal for the Charter School belongs in a more suitable place. We have enough! This is not the right space for a charter school - right in the middle of shopping and walking areas. A school needs space, grounds, and buildings for expansion. This is not the place. Not the place. West Roxbury already has a high school and lots of space. Use the money to upgrade this area and build a state of the art high school that all students deserve and can attend, away from traffic and shopping areas and give the students what they need not what the elected officials need to cross off their list. That is a short-lived solution. Think of the future. We support the Boston System. I went to the Boston System. Judy Ulman</p>
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3/8/2019	Athena	Yerganian		Oppose	<p>LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION! Isn't this the first rule of real estate? And isn't this project ? Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School ? really a REAL ESTATE project and not an education project? The Department of Education isn't involved; the BPDA is the authorizing organization. The real questions are: Why is this location - 361 Belgrade Ave - so important to the Proponent, when it can NOT meet the demands of the requested and promised State of the Art facility? How is it possible that, in the entire 48 square miles of the City of Boston, a more safe, more local to the majority of the enrolled students, and more sustainable real estate site can not be found? So, let's talk real estate, and real information (all available on the web). The Proponent ? The Proponent, or proposer, is NOT the SCHOOL - Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School ? but a FOR PROFIT LLC called Roxbury Prep Belgrade Ave, LLC . This organization is connected to UnCommon Schools, with whom Roxbury Prep has a management contract (which is coming up for renewal). ? Roxbury Prep Belgrade Ave, LLC, a subsidiary of UnCommon Schools, submitted Articles of Organization, in 2017, to the Commonwealth listing their ?purpose to do [business] in the Commonwealth? as: o</p>
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				<p>?Acquisition, development, leasing, financing and ownership of real property located in Boston, Massachusetts, and any other lawful business.? o But the organization?s Annual Report submitted to the Commonwealth, signed under the penalties of perjury on May 29, 2018 (by someone who?s LinkedIn page says s/he left the organization in April 2018) lists business/services as: EDUCATIONAL. So, the proponent is NOT a non-profit Charter SCHOOL, but a FOR-PROFIT Real Estate Company. And yet, presentations, jointly made by BPDA and UnCommon Schools, repeatedly state the SCHOOL is the proponent. Why? Why can?t the BPDA just be up-front about this fact? The REAL ESTATE The proposed lot it almost exactly the same size as the current Roxbury Prep High School location in Hyde Park which holds only grades 9 and 10. The proposed property is not only 361 Belgrade Ave, but also 355 Belgrade Ave, to include MDC/DCR property sold to Clay Chevrolet in 1978. ? The Deeds for both properties, each under a different name: 361 Belgrade = Howard Leasing Corp., and 355 Belgrade = Howard Chevrolet Inc., list the location as West Roxbury, 02132. So, why is this project listed in ?Roslindale?? ?</p>
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				<p>According to its deed, NOTHING CAN BE BUILT above or below the former MDC/DCR land. It can only be used as a parking lot on which 30 (valet-assisted, whatever that means) parking spaces are proposed. ? Article 67 - Roslindale Neighborhood District document says (among other things) ? .7 off-street parking spaces are allowed per 1000 feet.? Let?s do the math: that?s 35 parking spaces, but what about the proposed 46 spaces in the basement of the proposed facility which are tandem spaces (yikes!)- in addition to the MDC/DCR lot of 30 spaces? ? The proponent lists the name of the Property Developer ?(Based on a 99-year lease).? And yet there is no lease registered at the the Registrar of Deeds. ? Repeated comments (all the way back to 2016) by the lawyer for the proponent that they ?have the rights to the land? can not be validated. ? Registered with the Registrar of Deeds is a recent LIEN at 361 Belgrade for lack of Tax payment. In addition, if the Charter School fails to maintain its Chartered requirements, including enrollment, etc., it can be closed by the Commonwealth. Currently, according the the DoE web site, attrition is a problem with teachers and students. The STUDENTS ? The students and parents say they were promised additional facility enhancements such as a swimming pool, ARTS room, MUSIC room, and Auditorium, which are all part of a State of the Art facility.</p>
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				<p>This location limits the size of the building which does not accommodate ANY OF THESE important extra-curricular activities. ? The first story of the proposed facility is actually the basement ? with classrooms...and the parking lot. What parent really wants their kids sniffing exhaust fumes from cars? ? Where would over 500 teenagers/staff physically stand for a fire drill? ? How will they cross the very busy and congested street safely? How can a study of traffic for 1 day be called a study? ? Why is there a BUS on every image of the proposed facility? There is NO bus stop, and NO plan for a bus stop. The Bus Stops, inbound and outbound, are a block away. ? And why has the Proponent entered a convenient time in the Proposal on the Commuter Rail Schedule, when there is NO STOP at Bellevue ? Commuter Rail? ? Despite the promise not to let students park cars on the street, some students have said they have already picked out the cars they will drive to their new school. I am pretty sure it is unconstitutional to tell a properly licensed driver s/he can?t park in a legal parking space on a city street.</p>
				<p>The LOCATION ? So, the only reason the students can?t cross the street safely, can?t drive to school or get a State of the Art Facility is...the LOCATION! ? And the only reason there is no room for increased enrollment is...the LOCATION! ? Finally, Politicians and Community organizations, which speak for the people, have declined the proposal because of...the LOCATION! Fortunately, a more realistic location is just down the street... in the Community...with plenty of parking... and Football and Baseball fields, and Basketball and Tennis Courts!!! Please consider an alternative location (perhaps 1205 VFW Parkway). Build the Original Proposal and give the kids and parents what they were promised! Thank you for your consideration. Athena Yerganian</p>

3/8/2019	Tariah	Badwah	Roxbury Preparatory High School	Support	<p>As a junior at Roxbury Prep High School, I can definitely relate to and understand the strong demand for our own building. Our school works extremely hard to provide for the students the best education that is accessible and to give us the best high school experience possible. However, this is extremely difficult without the coercion of students and staffs all together. Space and transport deems to be a serious conflict in our community that we all hope will get better. I want my peers and staff members to feel comfortable in their own space to practice their core values regardless of if I am there to experience it. I along with many want to be ensured that we receive the most resources we can get in order to build our community daily and this starts with a building. I understand there are many cons of building a new school in an already flourished neighborhood, but I truly believe that Roxbury Prep can add many great aspects to it.</p>
3/8/2019	Nyajah	Ottley		Support	<p>I support this project of building the new school because It would be nice to have a building were we can call home and for the incoming students to be in one place rather than being separated from each other. With this building it can help the staff be more involved with all the students rather than the students at one of the campuses.</p>

3/8/2019	Melanie	Rosario		Oppose	I just want to say as a student that has been in Roxbury Prep since 5th grade, I'm very disappointed because we have been talking about a high school building since middle school and look at us now we still don't have a building. I believe if you guys were more on or focused on getting that build more before class of class of 2019 graduated this year, we would have had it. It would've have been great for the first 2 classes of Roxbury Prep High School to graduate at our HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING. You guys could be doing way better than what you guys are doing right now. I know im not the only one feeling this way. If we had our building, we would exactly have a high school experience like other high school students in other schools. We could have had better experiments for any type of science class and more. We should be doing better as a school !
3/8/2019	Rosemary	Blau		Oppose	I have lived in this neighborhood since 1991. I strongly oppose this project. The building is too big for the lot size, even with the new proposal of a smaller building. It is also a disservice to the children who want to attend that school. They will not have any outdoor space to use. The proposed building is too small for the lot and too small for the amount of students who intend to use it. Please do not approve this project. Boston must have a more appropriate piece of land to accommodate this proposal.
3/8/2019	Paul	Touliopoulos		Oppose	I am disabled. I take the MBTA bus 35 , 36 or 37 to daycare at the times that Roxbury Prep students would be getting on the bus. With so many kids getting on, how will I be getting on and off the bus and will I be able to find a seat?

3/8/2019	Andee	Krasner	Mothers Out Front	Neutral	<p>To Whom It May Concern: At the end of January, the City of Boston and Boston University released its report, Carbon Free Boston. The report provides a map for how Boston can become carbon free by 2050 and meet our interim 2030 goal of reducing our carbon emissions by 50% by 2030 from 2005 baseline. The report shows that over 70% of our emissions come from buildings and that we must move immediately to decarbonize our buildings by building new net zero carbon buildings and retrofitting over 80,000 buildings to be net zero carbon to meet our 2050 goals. It is much more cost effective for new buildings to be built with net zero features now than to retrofit them in just a few years. Given the immediacy of climate change -- the UN estimates we have 10-12 years to reduce our carbon emissions by 50% to stay within 1.5 degree of warming -- we urge you to not contribute additional carbon to our community. Staying below 1.5 degrees of warming is an important goal for Boston whose real estate will be threatened by rising sea water and flooding.</p>
					<p>Damage from flooding and extreme storms will be incredibly costly if we don't focus on climate mitigation now. We also know climate change is already impacting our children's health: our kids are already suffering more environmental-related asthma and allergies and more tick- and mosquito-borne diseases.</p>

					As educators and families, we don't want to endanger the health of our kids any further. In light of our collective situation, we ask that you build a net-zero carbon building that will mitigate climate change and be resilient to more severe weather. We request that you build an all-electric building, use an all electric HVAC system using VRF Heat pumps, use Triple Glazed Windows, insulate, commit to purchase of RECs or Green Power for 100% of energy use, and talk to at least two PPA vendors about solar. We share your commitment to building a wonderful learning environment for our Boston kids and we appreciate you considering the future of our collective climate and the future health and well-being of our kids as you make your building plans. We all want a livable climate for the next generation. Sincerely, Andee Krasner JP Resident Mom to 7 and 11 year old
3/8/2019	Patrick	Kelly		Oppose	Please reject this proposal
3/8/2019	Tom and Barbara	Van Dyke		Oppose	The site proposed for Roxbury Prep is grossly inadequate. It does not meet any of the recommended educational Standards for square feet per student. It is unsafe due to the proximity to the rail line. It is inadequate for any outdoor space for the students. Where will 562 students go in case of an emergency or a fire drill. Will they be standing in the middle of Belgrade Avenue? The newer proposal does reduce the size and also the requirement for further neighborhood scrutiny. Many questions remain unanswered. There are many schools within a mile of this address. The traffic is already an F. This will make the neighborhood impassable. The other schools are already here. Why make the traffic situation exponentially worse with building an educationally substandard school? This is completely inadequate urban planning and development. Please find a site that can house these wonderful students in an educationally sound facility.

3/8/2019	Mary	Flynn	Ms.	Oppose	<p>Hello, I am a neighbor and had two children attend a local pilot school. I do not believe this is the right location for a project of this size. The area in question is already congested with the Mozart and Holy Name Schools in the same area. I believe there it will be too dangerous for the children coming and going each day. A person was recently killed on Centre Street. The bus ridership and commuter rail ridership will also be heavily impacted. And as of the last public meeting we were told, NOTHING had been finalized as far as scheduling changes, bus stop locations, etc were concerned. In short the effect on the neighborhood which is ethnically and culturally diverse, is unimaginable on so many levels. The footprint for a project of this size is undeniably too small, even though the project already has been downsized once. Understand one of the first supporters, Turner Aggasiz Investment Group (not local), of the plan has pulled their support (due to the extent of the local opposition), and that the Dedham company, Upton Partners, has invested over \$200,000 in this project. Surely in all of Boston there is a larger and safer site for these children.</p>
					<p>This student body deserves be all together under one roof, have the room for playing fields, outdoor green space. Hope you have had an opportunity to go visit the site and see why so many people are concerned. Also question where the funding for the \$35 million needed will be coming from and will the investors, donaters, etc. know of the extent of the local opposition to a project of this size. There are still so many unanswered scenarios and problems to be resolved and ask that there be more public hearings scheduled. Thank you very much.</p>



3/8/2019	Jean	Corbo-Hudak		Oppose	<p>To Whom it May Concern, I strongly oppose a charter high school, however I strongly support a Boston Public High School on Belgrade. This is especially since we are likely to lose West Roxbury High. Charter schools should not be a priority over true public schools. I am I life long resident in Boston and dedicated to the success of the BPS system. Please research the negative effects charters are having on public education. Read past the manipulative language used to boost test scores and look closely at the population who requires special education and cannot be serviced in these schools. The non-union teachers leave a revolving door open to inexperienced teachers who are quickly burned out and leave for work that truly supports the Boston children. Let's make Roslindale's first high school a Boston Public School! I also feel strongly that we support Carbon Free Boston when building in the city. I join my neighbors in asking: 1) That you build a net-zero carbon building that will mitigate climate change and be resilient to more severe weather. 2) Build an all-electric building, use an all electric HVAC system using VRF Heat pumps 3)Use Triple Glazed Windows Insulate 4) Commit to purchase of RECs or Green Power for 100% of energy use 5) Talk to at least two PPA vendors about solar Thank you, Jean Corbo-Hudak</p>
3/8/2019	Lila	Austin	Park School	Support	<p>To Whom It May Concern, As an educator in a local school and a neighbor to the proposed Roxbury Prep on Belgrade Street, I support the project. Yes, I know it will add to traffic but I go through these streets on my way to school each morning, and the traffic is not bad. Yes, I'm delayed a few moments by the Holy Name School but part of life is the education of our children. A little inconvenience is not the end of the world. I'm not concerned by high school student's safety; I think these students are facing a lot more pressing issues than crossing a street. The project has been downsized and I think deserves our full support. Thank you, Lila Austin 19 Allenwood Street West Roxbury</p>

3/8/2019	Kiera	Fair		Support	<p>I completely support Roxbury Prep coming into my Belgrade Ave neighborhood in Roslindale! I live just a few minutes walk from this area, and frequently pass through the area. It would be great to see this lot developed, and the proposal looks great! I am a lifelong resident of Roslindale, and recently graduated from a different public charter school in the city. Roslindale doesn't have a high school, so I traveled about 45 minutes each way to school, and I am proud of the rigorous education I was able to receive. I am currently attending college in Boston, and I would be pleased to welcome Rox Prep to my neighborhood. I know the proposal has been controversial, but most of the opposition that I have heard from my neighbors centers, of course, on their own self-interests. I really think that they should look beyond any possible minor inconveniences, because the role of a strong public education system is just so much more important.</p>
					<p>This project is ideally located, in my opinion, being on multiple bus lines, with Forest Hills nearby. The school has added more than enough parking for daily use, and they have even pledged to hire a valet to handle parking issues when they have an event. I know that my charter school in Dorchester did similar things, arranging to rent parking spaces when needed, and they really tried to not inconvenience their neighbors. I am sure that Rox Prep would be a good neighbor. Plus, what should be more important, parking and traffic issues, or kids' education? I think these students deserve a good facility! Please support this proposal to bring Roxbury Prep to Roslindale!</p>

3/8/2019	Robert	Fair		Support	<p>I am writing to support the Roxbury Prep proposal for Roslindale. I have no connection to the school, other than as an interested potential neighbor, but they have done a good job communicating their plans, and I feel they deserve to be granted the clearance to develop their project. I have lived in this Belgrade Ave area for over 20 years, and pass this lot daily. Frankly, I liked it as Clay Auto, and was sad to see them leave, but since something else is going to be built there, I am happy to support a public school as a great addition to the neighborhood!</p> <p>This area, while there are a few homes across the street, and on the other side of the train tracks, has largely been rather industrial/retail, and pretty under-utilized, as well. I had no problem with Roxbury Prep's original, larger, proposal. This project really meets the needs of anyone who may need to commute in to the area, being basically a reverse commute on the bus lines and commuter rail. Any business or housing which goes into this lot will bring added traffic and parking issues. I'd rather see our kids get a quality facility, and Roslindale needs a high school more than it needs another store or housing. Government should prioritize the needs of our school kids and it should really help this public school secure this location!</p> <p>Please approve this project and give Roxbury Prep any variances it may need for completion!</p>
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3/8/2019	Pamela	Fair		Support	<p>I strongly support the Roxbury Prep proposal to add a high school to my neighborhood in Roslindale! All my life I have lived just a few minutes walk down Belgrade Ave in this neighborhood where Rox Prep hopes to locate. My family and I use this area every day, and I think it would be a great addition! We've been fortunate that traffic hasn't been much of a concern in my neighborhood, especially in relation to most of the rest of the city, and this location is easy to access using the MBTA, too. This end of Belgrade Ave has long been kind of sad and deserted, so I am excited to see it revitalize with the recent housing going in, and now with this public school. The building itself looks beautiful, and I'm pleased with its scale and appearance. As a parent who has had kids in both BPS and in a public charter school, I understand that some of the opposition to this project is coming from political concerns about a (non-unionized) school. I don't think that this should be a factor in your process. I also saw that my child's public charter, which was not Roxbury Prep, but had a similar culture, took great care to be a good neighbor. My child's charter school attended the neighborhood association meetings, communicated their schedule to neighbors, and rented parking when needed to avoid inconveniencing people.</p>
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					<p>Having spoken with many parents and representatives of Rox Prep, I am confident that they will keep their promises, especially in light of the fact that they are aware of the political concerns and the skepticism of some neighbors. I feel that Roxbury Prep has already been a good neighbor by listening and revising their proposal. I am glad that Rox Prep has pledged to make community meeting space available, when they are able, which will be a great addition for our area. They have also promised to work to minimize any traffic and parking issues, and to have employees outside during arrival and dismissal times to ensure safety and address any issues, which I have seen other charter schools do, as well. The school will definitely encourage staff and students to take the T, as my child's charter school did. The added "kiss and ride" turnaround area for the commuter rail is an improvement, too, which will be a convenience even for non-Rox Prep families. I was disheartened to hear some of my neighbors immediately jump to a "not in my backyard" mentality, and sadly some of that had to do with the word Roxbury being in the name of the school, with many referring to "those kids." The students, of course, are OUR kids, coming from many neighborhoods, but they are all OUR KIDS.</p>
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				<p>Please do not be fooled by opponents' claims of "just wanting the best for the students," when they say there surely must be some other site more suited for this school. This facility is much better than the students have now, and in line with many other city schools. If parents choose to send their kids to this school, they should have the best facility that we can offer them, and Rox Prep has been searching for years. Please support them. I don't doubt that at times I may find myself temporarily exasperated as I travel by at arrival or dismissal, and they won't be the only neighbors in the area who may annoy or inconvenience me at times. That is part of any society, and particularly of living in a city. I would be quite ashamed of myself if I didn't support schoolkids because of my own selfish concerns. Many Boston residents claim to support a strong public education, but what kind of city would we be if we let traffic and parking concerns shut down this project?</p>
				<p>My main concern is to make sure the building is safe for kids, and to make sure that the City of Boston and its officials and departments work together, especially with the MBTA, to ensure that it all works as smoothly as possible for school kids and residents. I will be contacting my elected officials in hopes that they will work towards these ends, as well. I did attend a recent BPDA meeting to support this proposal, and if I understood correctly, one measurement would need a variance over a matter of roughly four feet, which is certainly reasonable and should be granted. Please move this project forward to allow our public school kids to have a quality option in my Roslindale neighborhood!</p>

3/8/2019	Richard	Bennett		Support	<p>Please record my support for Roxbury Prep! I live just off of Belgrade Ave, several minutes walk from this project, and have for all of my life. I have no connection to the school, but I have heard from them over the past year or so, as well as from friends and neighbors in the area. Initially, I heard a lot of negative things from neighbors about the proposal, so I attended various meetings and read up on it so that I may form an educated opinion. This directly affects my little area of the world, which I use just about every day, so I took some time to consider various points of view. This proposal certainly seems attractive and the parcel seems well-suited for the size of it. Being public-transit accessible is a nice bonus! A public high school is needed in Roslindale, and this existing school seems to care not only about academics, but about character, and about being a good neighbor. In these times, especially, I cannot think of anything that is more sorely needed than a population that is educated in critical thinking. I am sure that, as more local students enter the lottery, the school population may skew more to residents from the surrounding neighborhoods, because, let's face it, no one wants to have to travel far for work or school.</p>
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					<p>However, I also think it is impressive that the school draws kids from many neighborhoods in Boston, and I look forward to welcoming them all to my neighborhood. When I attended the January 30th meeting for comments and questions, I came to support the project, and nothing that I heard has changed my mind. I can understand direct-abutters opposing the project, but many of the concerns voiced seemed rather minor when considering students who need a decent school building. Their current facility is inadequate, and city officials should be working to help the school find a suitable location; this location works! Their current location does not, and I hold all elected officials responsible for that. It is something that I remember when I vote. Government should work to meet the needs of its citizens, particularly the most vulnerable, so I ask this agency to approve this project and work with our other city departments to minimize any impacts on the neighbors.</p>
3/8/2019	Adam	Goodman		Oppose	<p>The proposed location of this school is not an appropriate location. The area presents numerous safety and logistical issues, especially with regards to motorists traveling at high rates of speed, and regularly ignoring traffic signals. Additionally, the site is a former auto repair shop, resulting in possible environmental contamination of the soil, as well as adjoining structures. Transportation is also a key issue. The Needham Line of the commuter rail is a single track operation, meaning that adding additional capacity to the line would put a major stress on already abysmal service. To this date, no one has been able to answer my question of how this would affect peak hour train service into South Station. If the goal is to encourage residents to utilize public transportation, the service needs to be reliable. Lastly, I am deeply concerned about the safety of the neighborhood and its inhabitants. Having an influx of several hundred rowdy high schoolers can pose public safety issues and property issues.</p>



					While residents have repeatedly been told that there will be staggered dismissal times, there is no proof that such a plan will work, and I don't want my neighborhood to be an experiment on the efficiency of school dismissals. In conclusion, this is not the appropriate neighborhood for the school. With the West Roxbury Education Complex closing later this year and the city looking to relieve itself of ownership of the former Rogers Middle School in Hyde Park, a neighborhood where Roxbury Prep is currently housed temporarily, there are a myriad of options available. As members of government for the people, by the people, I urge you to take your time to consider what your constituents are saying, and not approve this location for Roxbury Prep
3/8/2019	Lisa	Dyen	N/a	Support	I support this school and welcome it to the neighborhood. We have a lot of support here. Any traffic concerns seem overblown.
3/13/2019	Bridget	Marquis		Support	This school is smart transit-oriented development. We need more of this type of density in the Roslindale & West Roxbury to create more vibrant and livable (and less car-dependent) neighborhoods.
3/13/2019	Juli	Greenwood	Cloudinary	Support	I'm a neighbor of the proposed school site with two children who attend Boston Public Schools (who also attended Holy Name previously) and I strongly support the addition on Roxbury Prep to our Roslindale neighborhood. Is there a better city/community investment than education? I don't think there is.
3/13/2019	Samuel	Warren	Local Homeowner	Support	This project would do a lot to make this section of Roslindale more active and engaging. It would be good for the local businesses and for local students, as there is not currently a high school option in this part of the city. As a nearby resident, I feel that many of the opposition concerns about traffic seem to be overblown.

3/13/2019	Abby	Detweiler		Support	<p>As someone who has worked in the K-12 and higher ed fields for almost 30 years, I feel strongly that we need to provide high-quality, engaging education opportunities for all of our young people. I would be proud to live in a community that includes Roxbury Prep Charter High School, a vibrant place of learning with committed educators and students full of promise. The students of Boston deserve inspiring places of learning, and Roxbury Prep will provide one such place. Thank you.</p>
3/13/2019	lorie	spencer		Support	<p>I live in view of where the new school would be located. I support this project primarily because I believe it is a viable location and we should encourage and support education for all children, even those of color that live throughout Boston, not just in my neighborhood. The opposition to the school is based on racial bias and fear- I was told that the new school would lower the residents quality of life, well I think we need to think of more than our own quality of life, even though I can not think of anything better that having my neighborhood vibrant with high school students and their families.</p>

3/13/2019	Leon	Latino		Support	I support Roxbury Prep Charter School and their search for a new school site in Roslindale/West Roxbury. I about a half mile from the proposed site and I have three children at home, ages 9, 7, and 3. We need more high school options in Boston and especially in our neighborhood! When the time comes, I will seriously consider sending my children to Roxbury Prep. The school seems to be doing good work and their site search committee has been actively searching for sites for years. The idea that "this is not the right site for a school" because of a lack of parking or green space is patently ridiculous. This is a great site in terms of location, land use, and transportation options. As for green space, good luck finding an open, green, transit-accessible site in Boston! This Roxbury Prep team has done their due diligence in selecting a site and has made concessions to community input. Let us all support them and let them pivot back towards the single most important job in the city: educating our youth.
3/13/2019	Sandra	Doctor		Support	I am Full support of New Roxbury Prep High school. I am a Roslindale resident my daughter and the students of RPHS need a permanent home.
3/13/2019	Joshua	Barocas		Support	I fully support this project. This is desperately needed here in our community. Concerns regarding ?traffic? and ?parking? are unfounded and unimportant to me. Build the school
3/13/2019	Virginia	Dunlap		Support	I support Roxbury Prep Charter High School.
3/13/2019	Tracy	Fitzpatrick	self-employed	Support	I strongly support the development of a high school building for Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade-- Tracy Fitzpatrick
3/13/2019	Sarah	Kraus		Support	Dear Boston Planning, I am writing in support of Roxbury Prep Charter School and their proposal to open a school on Belgrade Avenue. This is an incredible opportunity for the community, both the students and families the school will be serving, as well as the broader community at large. I wanted to share my support for this project. Sarah
3/14/2019	Ruven	Rodriguez		Support	I am in full support of this project. Please please give these kids a place to go to high school.

3/14/2019	Ruven	Rodriguez		Support	I am in full support of this project. Please please give these kids a place to go to high school.
3/15/2019	Rosemary	McAndrew		Oppose	<p>This is the wrong place for this project. Traffic, traffic related pedestrian fatalities, congestion of the intersection. The newspaper quoted a proponent as stating something like the students know how to cross a street so as to avoid a traffic accident. Well, one of our dear neighbors, Marilyn Wentworth, was killed as a pedestrian on Centre Street on 2/5/19, the day before the meeting. Please refer to Appendix D. of the Small Project Review Application submitted 1/8/2019, pp. D- 30-34. This section outlines by am &amp; pm the "quality" or "delay" level of traffic in the area with A the best/ F the worst. There are highlighted F's throughout. I am by no means an expert in this area, but I can use a "key" of A-F to understand that an existing bad situation will be made worse by the approval of this project. Practically speaking, it is hard to image that this intersection won't be subject to even MORE blockages as cars (continue) to try to outrun the yellow and/or red lights. 2nd, the presenters at the 1/30/19 mtg claimed the MBTA was amendable to implementing a stop at Bellevue (Inbound) between the current schedule of 3:10 pm and 5:22 pm. This was an area contested to which we need a factual resolve.</p>

					<p>3rd, the presenters stated that they were enhancing / giving back to the community by developing the "kiss&amp;ride" turnaround to Bellevue Station off Belgrade/Anawan. I cannot see how we can avoid additional slow ups as a result cars turning L across Belgrade &amp; cars turning L across Belgrade exiting. Anecdotally, this can only serve to further slow down the traffic and fracture out in all directions from that intersection. Again, practically speaking, it is hard to image that this intersection won't be subject to even MORE blockages as more cars are introduced into an area that is already tremendously perilous and congested. We have actual traffic-related experience: my husband &amp; I have been here for 20+ years and have seen this intersection only become worse the longer we've been here. [I avoid it when I go out for a run let alone when I am in my car.] We hope that you agree that this is not the location for this project, "abbreviated" or not. This is wrong and the amount of time spent on this phase of the project should be telling that we do not want this and it is not a good idea. Thank you.</p>
3/16/2019	Sara	Colon	Ms	Support	<p>Thank you for working to approve our new school campus. As a local homeowner, and staff member at Roxbury Prep High School, I look forward to supporting our scholars of all 4 grade levels in the new 361 Belgrade Ave building in the near future.</p>
3/16/2019	James	Gumpper	Roslindale Resident	Support	<p>To whom it may concern: I think that the 361 Belgrade Avenue site is a great location for a school! There is ample public transportation access to the site, both via commuter rail and multiple bus lines. It is essential that we support the educational opportunities of all children in our city as there is widening inequality. We can't only build nice condos and office buildings; we must also have beautiful schools. This is a transit-oriented, neighborhood-friendly development and it would be a fantastic addition to the site. Thanks, James Gumpper</p>
3/20/2019	Zachary	Johnson		Support	<p>I would rather see a school in that location than a condo building or the existing lot.</p>

3/21/2019	Alan	Clapp	Direct Abutter	Oppose	<p>I live directly next to the proposed project and access my parking lot from Anawan Ave. My condominium building is directly impacted by this development, located easterly. My concerns are as follows after reviewing the application information: 1) The project requests variances for height, FAR and setback all because it is too big for this lot and area. I failed to see the hardship, lot shape or topographic reasons necessary for granting these variances...they do not exist! The project is too LARGE for this area. 2) The height of building casts shadows onto our buildings' only grassed area throughout the year at 6 PM because it is too tall. Enforce the zoning bylaws please and represent our interests as our elected officials. Their summary of "not adversely impact" negates our building as it does negatively impact us. 3) Noise- Decibel levels of their equipment was not provided and I do not want to accept a 10 decibel increase as allowed by MA laws. They need to state what the equipment will sound like and possibly provide attenuation mitigation. Further, construction noise for 12-18 months is not controlled by any ordinances, simply expected to be ignored by residential abutters. Any pile driving proposed?</p>
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					<p>4) Their proposed combination of pedestrian, loading dock area, drop off and garage access along the easterly side of the b building is extremely dangerous for their patrons. 5) Results of phase 2 ESA? Are they removing hazardous materials for foundations and stormwater systems? Sounds hazardous to residents. 6) Plan for rodent control is not described. 7) The biggest issue is the traffic impact to this area. The original assumptions for 90% public trans. and a 19% carpool by teachers is flawed data. Most students desire a car drop off, and 10% is grossly underestimating the issue. The request to use Anawan Street as their own private turnaround and drop-off is an insult to the definition of a "public road". What about everyone else who commutes to the train station and the local residents who need to pass through here at similar times? All negative impacts. Further, many parking spaces are lost to this development that currently support the local businesses and commuters. Shouldn't any development have the turnarounds and drop-offs on their own property? I say yes, absolutely, and in this case because the development is too large there is not any space for this and they need the public way. I say no way for their request to dominate the public way.</p>
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					<p>There is not any narrative regarding the lack of Commuter rail trains accommodating the students schedule; Does 1:52 and 3:00 work for all students or maybe they need a ride?? Are the buses capable of handling a slug of 300 students all starting at the same time along with the normal commuters? Why isn't this discussed in their application? 8) The aesthetic of the building is subjective but appears price constrained as I suspect most schools are. The proposed "durable masonry veneer and metal panels" is not in character with a typical New England style building and is a lost opportunity for a more impactful new building. I would expect brick and real stone and some creative lines. Again, it appears to me they maximized space by design, which to me means it's too large of a building on too small of a lot for this area. 9) Generally, I am in favor of educational facilities and would support this use if they could reduce the size substantially, even though they already did. Given the location, it's my opinion that a use with less traffic and pedestrian impact is more suitable for this location, or a smaller footprint, and FAR that can mitigate their impacts one the project parcel and NOT utilizing the public ways. Good project, WRONG location. Thank you for the opportunity to respond. Sincerely, Alan Clapp</p>
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3/23/2019	Larissa	Chassman	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	<p>In working for Roxbury Prep High School, I have been amazed every day by the passion of our students. Each student brings their own personality and excitement to school each day. As a high school, we are so limited in the education we can give them because of the space we are in. We cannot come together as a school. We can not provide the programs and classes our students are advocating for and deserve because our staff is divided between two locations. we NEED one building to function as a school. Our students need a building with actual classrooms and space in the hallways. We need to have a building that doesn't leak water every time it rains. A place where students don't have to eat lunch in their classrooms so they can socialize with their friends. Our students and staff have built an amazing community. We have done it with the limited space that we have. Our students have earned a building.</p>
3/24/2019	James	Gumpper	Roxbury Prep	Support	<p>To Whom It May Concern: As a longtime Roxbury Prep Staff member and a homeowner in Roslindale, I strongly support the 361 Belgrade Avenue site for the new Roxbury Prep High School building. Our students deserve a permanent facility that can house all four of our grades. This site has fantastic public transit accessibility and will be a welcome addition to that end of Belgrade Avenue. I have heard concerns about traffic and overcrowding at the site, but I don't believe either of these are legitimate issues. The site is large and has more than enough room to house our students; we also decreased the number of student spots that we would offer to address this concern. In addition, there is rarely traffic along Belgrade Avenue at that intersection (West Roxbury Parkway is a different matter), and very few of our students get dropped off at school. At our two current locations, I have never seen a traffic back-up caused by school-related drop-offs or pick-ups. High school students are able to effectively use public transportation to get to and from school. Thanks, Jamie Gumpper 41 Newburg Street #2 Roslindale, MA 02131</p>

3/25/2019	Elijah	Hodge		Support	I am firm believer in and supporter of Roxbury Prep High School. I have witnessed the amazing things accomplished within the limits and constraints of it's current building. This school deserves to have a state of the art building in order to continue the wonderful work that's being done daily at RPHS.
3/25/2019	Lindsey	Kocur	Roxbury Prep High School	Support	I would once again express my strong support for this project which will significantly enhance the high school experience of RPHS students and also positively contribute to the greater Roslindale community!
3/27/2019	Mike	Burke		Support	I think that this neighborhood needs a high school. My child walks to school, but won?t have that option for high school. Roxbury Prep is a fine school, I would love to welcome them into the neighborhood. The location seems ideal, too. Right on the commuter line as well as buses 35-38. It?s even a reverse commute for many students. I know the local stores will enjoy the extra business that a school brings.
3/27/2019	Sean	Smith		Oppose	Too small and dangerous an area for a school. Public transit not enough to handle that many extra people. Building on top of a site that was nothing but dirty industrial buildings seems like a bad decision.
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Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>

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## Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave

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Thu, Jun 6, 2019 at 11:12 AM

Reply-To: [REDACTED]

To: aisling.kerr@boston.gov

Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,

John Douros

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February 2, 2017

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 6 Planet Street in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I am the Principal of the school, a resident of Roslindale, and the parent of a 3-year old. I have worked and been part of the Roxbury Prep family since 2003, and feel honored and blessed to do work for the young people of Boston. I know, deeply, the power of a high quality education as the daughter of immigrants whose pathway to America was grounded in a strong education. I have seen, firsthand, the power of a Roxbury Prep education and the hope, commitment, and dedication of our students and families. For so many of them, our high school is a direct result of their hopes and dreams for their children. As a resident of Roslindale, I know that our young people would offer examples of leadership, service, and community partnerships that would serve our city far into the future in a positive and influential way. Their impact and the history they are making, for many of them, being the

first in their families to attend college, speaks to the educational history of our city with its almost 50 universities, and the future of our community as it becomes an international hub of technology and intellectual life. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Cohen,

I'm writing to share my opposition for the Roxbury Prep school proposal on Belgrade Ave. I live directly next door at 345 Belgrade Ave and feel this project is too big for the space. I have major concerns about the potential 800-900 students + additional school staff, that will be coming in and out of the neighborhood. I moved here from a house in walking distance from English High and experienced the flow of students on a daily basis. I feel that our existing commuter station and bus station cannot withstand the amount of students relying on it to get to and from school. AND I think it will certainly disrupt the neighborhood. Even at peak times, there are no more than max 20 ppl. at a time exiting the commuter rail- I know this because my 2 yr old son watches out the window regularly. I don't think our tiny stop can accommodate the #s of riders the way the orange line/forest hills can- and I don't want to live in a neighborhood that has that volume of commuters. When we bought this apartment, the line only ran during the wk. And it's a lighter schedule compared to other lines. It expanded it's schedule to wkends- which was disruptive in terms of the noise, especially at wake/nap and bed times- and then cut Sunday runs, making it a little better. I worry there is a strong possibility that the number of students will cause the MBTA to increase the rail runs to accommodate students, parents etc. and that will be disruptive to the neighborhood in terms of noise.

Also, as a public school teacher at a local high school, I am aware of the "extras" that go along with a school building; trash, litter, monthly fire alarms, evacuation sites and drills, lockdown drills, hanging outside, smoking, the flow of parents/volunteers, conferences, evening activities, morning meetings with teachers, and crew of staff to make a school run. That plot of land can't accommodate 800+ people and all that comes with it.

This will be a disruption to the neighborhood that will change the favor for it's existing residents beyond what is typical development. I left a situation just like the one being proposed as my direct neighbor, and I'm not happy about it. I feel all my hard work to move to a more residential neighborhood is slipping away from me.

I tried to attend the meeting last week at the police station and couldn't even get in the door. Thank you for considering my point of view.

Robin Fabiano

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 149 Walworth street Roslindale, MA and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. The Roxbury prep environment is not only a warm and welcoming environment but overall a caring and compassionate one. The staff are always here to help and motivate the students to push them in a positive direction. The students are enthusiastic learners, strive to reach their full potentials, and are always exhibiting a positive attitude. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Sheila Deneus (781) 576-6000

Dunlap,

2:52 PM (6 hours ago)

Deborah <Deborah\_dunlap@harvard.edu>

to brian.golden, michael.christ., jonathan.greel., me, jerome.smith, tomas.gonzalez, daniel.m.murphy, lee.blasi, william.macgre., Michelle.Wu, Mike.Rush, Edward.Copping., mbritt, j.upton

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 394A Poplar Street, Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site. The current plan for 28 classrooms, parking, and the commitment of the staff to work collaboratively with our community on student management and other concerns are all reasons for my support.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

**Deborah Dunlap**

Senior Grants and Contracts Specialist



February 13, 2017

I live at 9 Stearns Road West Roxbury and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I am currently a 2nd career 5th grade math teacher at Roxbury Prep Lucy Stone in Dorchester, and I see everyday the positive educational experience our school provide families. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Regards,  
Reggie Cole

c. [REDACTED]

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 4255 Washington Street and want to express my unequivocal support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is extremely important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. The work that Roxbury Prep does with students, giving them an exceptionally rigorous education that directly addresses educational inequity in our city and country while creating positive leaders for tomorrow's challenges are only a few reasons that I fully support this initiative. Our students in Boston schools deserve the highest quality education, and allowing Roxbury Prep to continue their history of educational excellence by allowing this project to continue **is a vote that you believe in the vast potential of our students and families** in the Roxbury Prep community, and Boston Public Schools at large. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Susan Nugent

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 31 Liszt Street Roslindale, MA and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I have two kids, both of them attend Roxbury Prep Schools. My daughter is in Ninth Grade (in the building at Warren Street). My son is in Sixth Grade at the Magnolia Street Campus for Middle School (RPDC). It is very important for me to have a school close to our home and safe for my children to be able to take Public Transportation, or even walk to school. I want them to continue in this school because academically and socially, it meets the standards that we expect for our kids. They both are in the Honor Roll consistently. Also, as residents of Roslindale (In front of West Roxbury Parkway), I believe that having students in this area will increase the use of common areas and stores (family owned) in the area. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Ilana Lara-Gonzalez/ Omar Marrero-Diaz

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 16 Filomena Rd in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I am an alum of Roxbury Prep Mission Hill before it was part of the Uncommon Network. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at Roxbury Prep and still have friends now from my middle school days. Going into high school, the Graduate Services Department helped me apply to different high schools. Throughout high school, Roxbury Prep kept in touch to make sure I was still on track to enter, succeed in, and graduate from college. If there was already a Roxbury Prep High School I think the mission to enter, succeed in, and graduate from college would be upheld even more. I had such a positive middle school experience that I didn't feel as comfortable. I would've had a more positive high school experience if I had the option of going to a Roxbury Prep high school. I had such a positive experience that after graduating college, I am currently a teacher at one of our middle school campuses. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 14 Planet St., Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I have seen how the school provides wonderful teaching and class room experiences for students. In addition, I have also supported the school by making donations personally. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Thomas Stephens

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Feb 12 (2 days ago)

to Michael.christ., me, brian.golden, jonathan.Greel., j.upton, lee.blasi, William.Macgre., michelle.wu, mike.rush, Edward.copping., Jerome.smith

To Whom It May Concern;;

My name is Andrea Lesser-Gonzalez. Sixteen years ago my wife and I moved to a condo on Hyde Park Ave in Roslindale and two years later bought our home on Metropolitan Ave that we now live in.

I have three children, one is currently in 9th grade at Boston Latin and the other two attend Charles Sumner Elementary School and are in 5th and 2nd grade. We have recently applied to some of the charter schools as a possibility for our now 5th grader in order to hopefully be able to pick the best choice for her for both middle school and high school. We will do the same for her younger brother when the time comes.

As a parent, resident and small business owner, I run a Large Family Childcare as a licensed Department of Early Education and Care childcare educator, I strongly support the opportunity for Roxbury Prep Charter School to open a High School on Belgrade Ave where Clay Auto is currently located. I am confident that the staff will be directing traffic and the student flow in the mornings and at dismissal times. I am also confident that Roxbury Prep has a rigorous academic curriculum and strict behavioral policies. I know that parents who send their children to Roxbury Prep also have high expectations and aspirations for their students. I feel this addition will be great for the students and families of West Roxbury and Roslindale along with all the students across the city.

I look forward to working with Roxbury Prep, The developer, Upton Developers and the City of Boston to make this a smooth transition in our neighborhood. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,  
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Wednesday, February 1, 2017

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Dear Mr. Cohen,

I live at **30 Doncaster Street in Roslindale** and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site. The current plan for 28 classrooms, parking, and the commitment of the staff to work collaboratively with our community on student management and other concerns are all reasons for my support. As a long-time resident of Roslindale, I am looking forward to this opportunity opening up for Roxbury Preparatory School.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,  
Alexis Rosenblatt  
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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 64 Ardale St., Roslindale, and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I previously worked in education and believe passionately in the need to provide high-quality, inclusive learning environments for today's youth. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Tricia Gregg





Dear Director Golden,

I hope this email finds you well, I live at Build ledge Dr Roslindale MA and I want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

Please it is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. My son currently attend Roxbury Prep Dorchester Campus, I believe this project to be the best fit for me and my neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Kate Imasuen  
141 Blue Ledge Dr in Roslindale, MA

[REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Brian Golden,

I am a student at Roxbury Prep High School, located at 86 Wachussett Street, Jamaica Plain. I am e-mailing to request Councilor O'Malley's support for Roxbury Prep's proposal to build a new high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale. We are current students at Roxbury Prep and this project is very important to us and the future of our education.

I am supporting Roxbury Prep because I believe that this is a good school that should give its students a proper location to be together as one. This school deserves to be one community instead of two separate ones in different buildings across the city. That is why this school should be in this area. Our students deserve to have a state of the art school so that kids can have a better education with experiments in labs and with kids having a gym for an actual physical education class.

Sincerely,

Maia Williams

To the Boston Planning and Development Authority  
Greetings,

I am a resident and homeowner at 29 Conway Street in Roslindale and have lived in Roslindale for close to 20 years. It is important to me that Roslindale is welcoming to all and remains a place where a diverse community can live and thrive.

I understand there is a proposal to build a new high school for the Roxbury Prep Charter School (now located in Jamaica Plain) at 361 Belgrade Street, Roslindale (now occupied by Clay Auto Center). I support this proposal and ask that you do the same.

I feel this addition will be great for the students, families, and other residents of Roslindale and West Roxbury as well as all the students across the city.

I trust that the builders will work closely with the community to ensure a smooth transition for the neighborhood.

Kind regards, Helen Horigan

February 9, 2017

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 200 Temple Street in West Roxbury, and as a mother of a 20-month-old with another child on the way, I want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA. It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this site. As a school leader myself, I have been involved in conversations between neighbors/abutters and the Roxbury Prep team, and I have found the staff at Roxbury Prep to be tremendously responsive and willing to work with the community on mitigating any concerns.

As a mother who lives and works in Boston, having just purchased our home in West Roxbury in 2016, it is of utmost important to me that the residents of West Roxbury and Roslindale have access to a high quality, non-selective public option for high school. As you well know, quality public high school options are in extremely limited supply in our City, and there are none in or near our community. As such, my husband and I wonder often about what the future holds for our toddler son and future child in terms of secondary education. I continue to tell him to have faith—that we will one day have access to a high quality public

option. I am therefore thrilled that Roxbury prep has found a site that can accommodate their high school program so close to my home, and I am an enthusiastic supporter.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,



Shannah Leah Varón  
200 Temple Street  
West Roxbury, MA 02132

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Dear Director Golden,

I own and live at 158 Aldrich Street in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

My son has attended Roxbury Prep for the last five years so I know that they are a top school and they would be a valuable asset to my neighborhood!

I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site. The current plan for 28 classrooms, parking, and the commitment of the staff to work collaboratively with our community on student management and other concerns are all reasons for my support. I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,



Celdra M. Allen-Harding

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To Whom It May Concern;;

My name is Christine Reis Bortolotto, I grew up at 15 Colbert Street, West Roxbury. Fourteen years ago my husband and I purchased the house at 10 Rhoda Street next-door to my parents home. I am a lifelong resident of this neighborhood. I attended Holy Name Parish School, Mount Alvernia High School in Newton, and Emmanuel College in Boston.

I have two middle-school age children, I was on the board of Holy Name Parish School Home and School Association, Parkway Pop Warner Board Member, and Girl Scout leader-volunteer for the past 10 years. My husband is a basketball coach in the West Roxbury community center (WRCC- Roche) recreation league, parkway Little League coach and parkway girls softball coach, parkway travel basketball league, A former pop warner coach and a former Cub Scout leader but is still involved with Boy Scout Troop seven.

My husband is employed at Boston College and is currently pursuing a second degree from BC. I am a Department of Early Education and Care licensed daycare educator, and have run a home daycare for the past 12 years.

My husband and I have volunteered for numerous community activities including the Corrib Road Race, the Shamrock Shootout, and the Ed Walsh Foundation Wiffleball tournament, and the FOG Road races(children with genetic disorders).

We support Roxbury Prep, we are familiar with charter schools and know that the school will work with the community. I am confident that the staff will be directing traffic and the student flow in the mornings and at dismissal times. I am also confident that Roxbury Prep has a rigorous academic curriculum and a strict behavioral policies. I know that parents who send their children to Roxbury Prep also have high expectation and aspirations for their students. I feel this addition will be great for the students and families of West Roxbury and Roslindale along with all the students across the city.

I look forward to working with Roxbury Prep, The developer, Upton Developers and the City of Boston to make this a smooth transition in our neighborhood. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,  
Christine R. Bortolotto  
10 Rhoda Street  
West Roxbury, Massachusetts

Sent from Windows Mail

To Whom It May Concern:

Fifteen Colbert Street in West Roxbury has been my home for 39 years. My property abuts the commuter rail parking lot at Bellevue Station.

I want to say that ***I am in favor of*** Roxbury Prep Charter School building a new high school on the proposed site at 361 Belgrade Ave. in West Roxbury.

I believe that Roxbury Prep Charter School would not only be an asset to our immediate neighborhood but also to our entire community.

Sincerely,  
Jeanne Reis

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

February 15, 2017

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Dear Director Golden,

I am a long time resident at 52 Alpheus Road in Roslindale, MA and wish to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me since my daughter currently attends the Roxbury Preparatory Mission Hill school and I am extremely pleased with the high level of education she is receiving and intends to enroll her in the Roxbury Preparatory High School given the option. This location would be ideal for my family and the many other families that would benefit from the school being in this location. Having a high school at this site would be ideal for the community but not just any high school but a really good high school that will open up many possibilities for neighborhood children. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,



Ava D. Atkinson,

~~avadel5@gmail.com~~

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 7 Montvale St, Boston, 02131 and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. As a high school librarian at the Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, I teach many wonderful kids who went to Roxbury Prep. Additionally, my roommate is a "big sister" to current sixth grader named Francesca. Currently, Francesca, who lives in Roslindale, wakes up every day at 5 am to get to school and doesn't arrive home until after 6 pm, at which time she does her homework. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Talya Sokoll

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Dara Concagh <[REDACTED]>

1:18 PM (51 minutes ago)

to brian.golden, Michael.christ., jonathan.Greel., me, j.upton, Jerome.smith, lee.blasi, William.Macgre., michelle.wu, mike.rush, Edward.copping., edward.copping.

To Whom It May Concern,

I wanted to express my support for Roxbury Prep Charter School and their move to a new building on Belgrade Ave. Roxbury Prep is a great school with a strong reputation. Good schools only help the City of Boston to grow and prosper. As a parent of four children, I understand how important it is to have great schools in an accessible location. I hope that this new building is also supported by City officials and that Roxbury Prep is awarded the necessary licenses and permits. Our family will welcome them to the neighborhood.

Good luck with the process.

Best,

Dara Concagh  
99 Grayfield Ave.  
West Roxbury, MA 02132

Brian Golden, Director  
Boston Planning and Development Agency  
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Dear Director Golden,

As you are aware I am a lifelong resident of Boston and after many years in Brighton, I reside in West Roxbury, where my husband and I have owned a home for over 15 years. We have two school-aged daughters and are active in our community. I write today to offer support to Roxbury Prep Charter School in their proposal to build on Belgrade Avenue in West Roxbury. I support Roxbury Prep because I am aware that the addition of a strong charter school will present a viable alternative to traditional public, private and exam schools for Roslindale and West Roxbury families, and will be open to all other neighborhoods of Boston through a public lottery. I also believe that an additional 150 rental units, the alternative proposal to the charter school, is not warranted in this area of Boston. Our community has experienced extensive recent development and there is more in process in the Belgrade Street area. Roxbury Prep will have a greater positive impact on the community.

My high school aged daughter currently attends Boston Collegiate Charter School. Our family is grateful that she was accepted via the public lottery to this strong and supportive college preparatory charter school. Our middle school aged daughter attends Boston Latin Academy, a great school that she was excited to have been accepted. Despite our good fortune, I recognize that a significant issue in our community is school choice for 6<sup>th</sup> graders and beyond. The exam schools are not accessible to all residents of West Roxbury and Roslindale and while there are private schools alternatives, these are costly and out of reach for many. Sadly, the reality is that there are limited public or private options for families of 6<sup>th</sup> graders to consider. Recognizing this, Catholic Memorial and Holy Name Parish School have lent their support to the Roxbury Prep project.

Some concerns raised by abutters to the proposed project relate to traffic. I am confident that the staff will direct traffic and the student flow in the mornings and at dismissal times, and that the majority of students will be taking public transportation. I am also confident that Roxbury Prep has a rigorous academic curriculum and a strict behavioral policies. I believe this is not a debate about public, private and charter schools because Roxbury Prep already has been granted approval and are exploring a new location, one in which they pledge to build a gym that they will allow the community to use. Roxbury Prep will be a welcome addition to the West Roxbury and Roslindale neighborhoods.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Diane Casey Crowley



Laura Christian <[REDACTED]>

8:41 AM (6 hours ago)

to brian.golden, michael.christ., jonathan.greel., me, jerome.smith, tomas.gonzalez, daniel.m.murphy, lee.blasi, william.macgre., Michelle.Wu, Mike.Rush, Edward.Copping., j.upton, mbritt

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 43 Pinehurst Street in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. As the Director of Development for Roxbury Preparatory School from 2005-2007, I saw first hand how this organization and its students enhanced the surrounding community. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Laura Christian  
43 Pinehurst Street #3  
Roslindale, MA 02131  
[REDACTED]

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 100 Annafran Street in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. My daughter currently attends Roxbury Prep Dorchester Campus. As my daughter will be an incoming Freshman for the 2017-2018 school year, it would be beneficial to have all students in one location. High school is the time where you build longtime friendships, discovering who you are and who you want to be in society. You start talking about colleges and what you want to do with your life. This is where the foundation will begin to where a child can succeed. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Tarrice Y Farrar

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 44 Highcrest Terr Roslindale 02131 and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. My son is a student at Roxbury Prep. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Richard Impert

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at [32 Beechland Circle, Roslindale 02131] and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. [my kid Jinely and Jared Portillo !]. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

[Adrian Portillo

32 Beechland Circle

Roslindale MASS

02131

February 2, 2017

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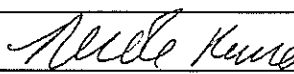
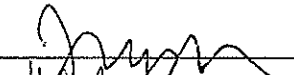
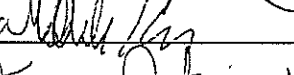
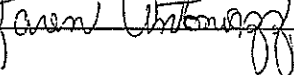
Dear Director Golden,

We the undersigned want to express our support for the Roxbury Preparatory Charter School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to us that our support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

We believe that this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site The current plan for 28 classrooms, parking, and the commitment of the staff to work collaboratively with our community on student management and other concerns are all reasons for our support.

Signed:

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Dear Director Golden

*I am emailing to record my support for Roxbury Prep's proposal,* my name is Leticia Camacho and I am a student at Roxbury Prep High School, located at 86 Wachussett Street, Jamaica Plain. I hope to have your support for Roxbury Prep's proposal to build a new high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale.

I am currently in the 10th grade and have been with Roxbury Prep since seventh grade. This project is very important to me and my peers because we are currently in a temporary facility and don't have the resources that all other students at other schools have like science labs or a gym. The new building would allow us to have all of that and would be open for students for years to come. Please take this into account and support this project.

Thank you,

Leticia Camacho

I am emailing to record my support for Roxbury Prep's proposal,

I am a member of the Student Government at Roxbury Prep High School, located at 86 Wachusett Street, Jamaica Plain. I am e-mailing to request your support for Roxbury Prep's proposal to build a new high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale. I'm a current student at Roxbury Prep and this project is very important to me and the future of my education and others.

Roxbury Prep's motto is enter, succeed in, and graduate from college. Roxbury Prep backs up a scholar's desire to attend college and pursue their own career in the future. Roxbury Prep is not only a school for children to grow and develop their skills in academics, it's a school that helps its community and families in need. Many families feel as though Roxbury Prep has helped their children tremendously inside and out of school. Roxbury Prep makes it their duty to check in with their students at home if something is wrong, support their scholar athletes by attending their games, and advocating to make sure that each student has their grades intact. And if they don't, they make sure to do everything they can to help them back on the right path.

This project means a great deal to me. I've attended Roxbury Prep for 6-7 years now since the 5th grade. In 5th grade, we struggled with having a space for ourselves by having to learn downstairs in a basement of an elderly home. Now being a high school student, I feel as though it's important to continue to build this school bigger and better for future generations.

Sincerely,  
Viviana Williams

[REDACTED]

March 17, 2017

Phil Cohen, Project Manager

Boston Planning & Development Agency

Hi,

I am writing to add my support for Roxbury Prep to relocate to Roslindale/West Roxbury. I have been a resident of Roslindale (near the Irving Middle School and the Edward Brooke Charter School) for the last 8 years and lived in Hyde Square in JP before moving here so I am familiar with Roxbury Prep school and its' positive relationships with neighbors. The Roslindale and West Roxbury negative responses alarm me because I think that schools can bring stability to a community. My feeling is that the building and area you are proposing to build on will make the area more vibrant. I am confident that the staff will be directing traffic as well as the student flow in the mornings and at dismissal times. I know that Roxbury Prep has a rigorous academic curriculum and strict behavioral policies. I realize that parents who send their children to Roxbury Prep also have high expectation and aspirations for their students. The school population could bring business to the Roslindale and West Roxbury communities.

I hope that this plan works out for you and we can add another educational institution to the many we currently welcome here.

Thank you,

Kathy Brucker  
16 Brown Ave  
Roslindale Ma.



February 28, 2017

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 257 Cornell Street, Apt. #1, Roslindale, MA 02131 and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I am a 2009 Roxbury Prep alumni and going through the entire process that this school has impacted on my life, I look back at how much Roxbury Prep has helped me grow into the person I am today. They have helped me not only with my academics, but also with reaching out into the community for either myself or for others, in order to make something positive from a negative outcome. I have seen my scores from MCAS and SAT sore, due to the help and guidance that Roxbury Prep has provided me and I would like to see that same outcome (if not better) in future generations, so long as Roxbury Prep can move forward with their plans to build a high school in this area. Today, I am an undergrad in UMass Dartmouth and with the continual assistance that Roxbury Prep has provided me (whether it's

helping me with my FAFSA, giving me tips and advice as to how to defer back loans and take the GRE to further my education, and so forth), I can honestly say that prospective students will gain a great relationship with Roxbury Prep and have a higher chance of maintaining a positive outcome not only for themselves, but also for their families and the communities that they represent and want to give back. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Martinez Moreno  
Roxbury Prep Alumni Class of 2009  
UMass Dartmouth Class of 2018

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 54 June Street, Roslindale, MA and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. My daughter is currently in the fifth grade and attends Roxbury Prep Middle School in Dorchester. My daughter has been given the opportunity to engage in grade appropriate, challenging and thought-provoking academics which will shape her for a bright future. I would love for her and her classmates to move on to their next chapter of education at The Roxbury Prep High in the diverse Roslindale community. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Pamela Jones  
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# **Boston Planning and Development Agency: Prevent the construction of a high school at 355- 361 Belgrade Ave, West Roxbury, MA 02132**

Background: The developer, Upton + Partners, is pursuing construction of a high school for Roxbury Prep, a charter school, which will hold 750-800 students, plus 80 staff. The facility will up 86k square feet, and only provide 68 parking spaces.

While the community appreciates having a newer facility at this location, we feel this location is a poor choice for a high school. The surrounding community will be impacted in the following manner:

- Increased traffic and parking issues:
  - o Roxbury Prep claims that approximately 5% of their students drive to the school – however, this school currently only caters up to 10<sup>th</sup> grade, where most students are not of driving age. Roxbury Prep is not providing any parking for the students, and providing parking for 85% of staff.
  - o By moving the location of the school for students, they are impacting the dynamics with how students can / will get to school, with concern already around the impact of drop-offs and pick-ups, they have proposed and kiss & ride area, which no one can say with certainty that this will be sufficient given the changes in the commuting dynamics.
  - o Increased traffic at an already heavily trafficked intersection located at West Roxbury Parkway and Belgrade Ave., which falls within the Greenbelt Protection Overlay Parks zone and is around the corner from an existing school, Holy Name.
  - o Outside of the traditional school day, parking will be severely affected during the days / nights of games, plays, parent / teacher meetings, etc.
- Loitering:
  - o At 86k square feet, it appears there is no room on the property for students to congregate outside of the facility, and they will be forced to congregate in our neighborhood. Roxbury Prep indicated at their 1/10/2017 meeting that they are considering allowing students to leave the school during the day, which would increase loitering.
- Change perception and desire to live in this community:
  - o Increased parking & traffic congestion impacts the everyday lifestyle for immediate home owners / residents of this neighborhood. This section of town is currently well desired, one reason being that it's more suburban than urban. By placing a high school of 750-800 students plus 80 staff at this location, the suburban feel and desire to live here will be compromised and negatively impacted.

We, the undersigned, urge the Boston Planning and Development Agency, to prevent this project from being built at 355-361 Belgrade Ave, West Roxbury, MA 02132.

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Dear Director Golden and Others Who Need to Know I am a Supporter,

I live on 58 Fletcher St in Roslindale and want to express my commitment to and support for the proposed Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, Mass.

I want to be sure that my support is recorded, and I can assure you that I will be an ally to those working to bring this project to fruition.

This project is important to me because a quality education for our Boston children is paramount. As a teacher at Noble and Greenough School, I have taught numerous students from Roxbury Prep and could not be more impressed with the program. We will all benefit from the expansion of their tremendously successful program.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Best, Vicky Seelen

A black rectangular redaction mark covering the signature area.

Tuesday, February 14, 2017

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 52 Kittredge Street in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site. As a parent and educator, I am deeply committed to ensuring all students have access to college preparatory school options.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 14 Littledale Street in Roslindale (02131) and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. As a former braille transcriber for a visually impaired student who attended Roxbury Preparatory School, I am a firm believer in inclusion and accessibility for all. A new building with an auditorium, and classroom space for young minds to be nurtured and taught is exactly the definition of an inclusive and accessibility-friendly environment that I am sure Roslindale/West Roxbury would be proud to endorse. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Laurie Lower  
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[REDACTED]

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 41R Vershire St. in West Roxbury and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.


This project means a great deal to me. I started my 17yr teaching career at Roxbury Prep Mission Hill and have returned this school year to serve as a Principal Fellow. I owe much of my success as a strong teacher and administrator to all that I learned during those first two years at Roxbury Prep Mission Hill and feel strongly that the Roxbury Prep schools hold to their mission to have all of their students "enter, succeed in, and graduate from college." Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site, as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Will Carter

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William B. Carter, Jr.  
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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 608 Poplar Street in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I had the opportunity to work with the amazing staff and students of Roxbury Prep for 10 years. I held a variety of roles during my time at Roxbury Prep, including the role of Founding Principal at Roxbury Prep's Dorchester Campus. In my role as Founding Principal with Roxbury Prep, I had numerous opportunities to work with neighborhood residents and local organizations to foster strong relationships between our school and our broader community. I can attest to the fact that the staff and students of Roxbury Prep would be an asset to the neighborhoods of Roslindale and West Roxbury. I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site, as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Amy Zaffuto

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Scott Bortolotto <scottbortolotto@gmail.com> 10:48 AM (3 hours ago)

to brian.golden, michael.christ., jonathan.greel., me, j.upton

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Scott Bortolotto and I live at 10 Rhoda Street, directly behind the property at 361 Belgrade Ave, the site being proposed as the new building for Roxbury Prep Charter School.

I'm a graduate of West Roxbury High School and I have been a West Roxbury resident for the past 32 years. I coach a girls basketball team at the West Roxbury Community Center and a boys Parkway Travel basketball team. I have coached Parkway Girls Softball for the past three years and have served on the Board of Directors and as a coach for Parkway Pop Warner. I spent five years as a Cub Scout Leader and have remained with the Pack as their Parvuli Dei Catholic Faith Medal Coordinator for the past six years. I am also an active parent in Troop 7 Boy Scouts. I graduated Boston College and am currently enrolled in a Master's program there as well.

My wife is a life long resident of the neighborhood we live in, having grown up in the house next door to where we currently own. She went to Holy Name Parish School, Mt. Alvernia and then to Emmanuel College in Boston. She currently operates a licensed day care from our home. For the past 10 years she has been a Girl Scout leader for many of the girls in our community.

With our two children, 14 and 12 years old, we have been involved in numerous volunteer activities in our community, including the Corrib Road Race, the Shamrock Shoot-out, the Ed Walsh whiffle ball tournament, just to name a few.

We are supporting the addition of Roxbury Prep into our neighborhood. We have confidence that the school has high standards for their students, both on and off campus. The faculty that we have spoken with have explained the school policies to us, at both the community meeting and in emails we have sent directly to them. Each concern that had been brought up at the community meeting, has been answered with very positive responses. The impacts on traffic in that area will be minimized by the efforts of the school and Upton Developers.

I look forward to building a strong community relationship with Roxbury Prep and will continue to encourage the rest of my community to welcome them.

Sincerely,  
Scott Bortolotto  
10 Rhoda Street  
West Roxbury, MA

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 106 Fawndale RD, Roslindale MA., and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me because it is a new opportunity for my son at this location as well for many other kids . Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 10 Williams St. Roxbury MA 02119 and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project is quite important to me. Last year I worked on a consulting project with Roxbury Prep during their inaugural year in Boston. I've seen them accomplish a great deal since then and their test scores can certainly speak to that. They deserve a permanent home in our community. I also believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Monique Guimond

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I live at 25 Firth rd. Roslindale, Ma. and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I have twin daughters that presently attend middle school at the Mission Hill Campus of Roxbury Prep. The quality of education that they receive is unlike any other school they have attended. I am quite sure that the high school will offer even more quality with a new and modern facility. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Jeannette Gutierrez  
25 Firth Rd.  
Roslindale, MA 02131

**[REDACTED]**

Cc:

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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 31 Walter street Roslindale MA 02131 and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. My both daughter have been attending Roxbury Prep since 5th grade and now one is in the 10th grade and the other one is in the 7th, both honor roll students. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Adria McFarlane 

Dear Director Golden,

I am emailing to record my support for Roxbury Prep's proposal.

My name is Alice Brito-Acevedo. I am part of the Student Government at Roxbury Prep High School, located at 86 Wachusett Street, Jamaica Plain. I am e-mailing to request Councilor O'Malley's support for Roxbury Prep's proposal to build a new high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale.

I am a student at Roxbury Prep and this project is very important to me. I feel as though we, like other schools, have the right to have access to labs, a gymnasium, and a cafeteria big enough to fit all of our community. In order to make the future of Roxbury Prep High School bright enough to last, we need to build a lasting foundation. With your help, I feel as though we can accomplish this.

Best Regards,

Alice Brito-Acevedo

10th grade Student at Roxbury Prep High School



Dear Director Golden,

I live at 843 South Street, in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. My children attended Boston Public Schools including a charter school in Dorchester for several years. I believe charter schools in challenged school districts like Boston fill a critical need for disadvantaged students. Roxbury Prep exemplifies the charter school ethic and mission. I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon. I would be proud to welcome Roxbury Prep to Roslindale and am certain they would be a vibrant member of the community.

Sincerely,

Brooke A. Nash

843 South Street

Roslindale, MA 02131

The BPDA should continue to delay the 361 Charter school project. Has the BPDA requested the city of Boston, assist the charter school in locating an alternative site, a vacant city-owned school building with open green space appropriate for the development of the charter high school? Many older Boston city schools were brought up to code at great expense in areas that balanced the needs of students with traffic needs of the community. Urban students deserve open green, recreational space, and careful transportation planning for bus safety that considers our community traffic concerns. The 361 charter proposal does not offer green space or a careful transportation plan and it is unknown if it proposed an open campus.

West Roxbury streets are hyper-burdened. The community has become very over-developed and congested with vehicles. Stop signs and reduced speeds to 25 mph have not solved the traffic problems. Apps redirect hurried commercial vehicles through the neighborhoods to access Washington Street, two different Parkways, Centre Street, and Belgrade Ave, to and from downtown Boston.

How do we balance the economic development of Boston with the safe development of our community? The BPDA impacts this balance by trying to limit the discussions on development projects and not hearing the community objections that currently fail to resonate as data.

Development projects, like the 361 charter share many considered viewpoints tallied online through BPDA's portal and via other data mining resources. The 361 project is heavily reliant on data; but data aggregating sites have limitations especially that the West Roxbury community since one third residents represent the older demographic being a little less than tech savvy. This lack of representation that should be emphasized to the BPDA so that the needs assessed from community data resources may be further explored to become more reliable in representing community concerns for traffic and safety.

Boston-based site, Vision Zero offers an interactive map that logs relevant safety issues throughout the city. User-generated safety concerns are pooled, with serious EMS accident data. MBTA data has met with severe criticism that it is not reliable. It should be emphasized that T makes its data readily available to developers while not telling the community how this information is being applied, even as we are most impacted.

Project 361 has a stated a plan that incorporates commuter and bus travel, but the T offered no data on the impact to the community on vehicle locations, delays, and dwell times. West Roxbury community safety and traffic concerns are underrepresented in 361's project data set. The T and Vision Zero do not have the most reliable reference points for the Charter School project. Students would have increased need for buses, and increased need for using traffic lights for safety. Both factors negatively impact traffic flow into Boston. Since most students use the MBTA, even the use of dedicated buses would include drop offs and pick-ups,

introducing idling time and parking problems, this too would increase the already congested traffic pattern.

Many West Roxbury community members are unaware of Vision Zero as a means to initiate entries on user safety, while well aware of safety concerns that impact their lives every day. Some traffic problems are invisible, missing from Vision Zero data unless they involve an EMS report. Invisible safety concerns include speeding; running lights and signs; making illegal U-turns, racing to make a green light turn with slow pedestrians, not using signals, talking or texting, passing and cutting, traveling on the midline, crossing against oncoming traffic to make a turn into a driveways, double parking, parking on the sidewalk, etc.

Boston Transportation Department's policy site is for use by city planners. Traffic studies often show significant data gaps that dramatically affect planning so clearly data must be community generated. Development project Information should be transparent, not held as proprietary, available only to developers. While the BPDA extended its hearing times to consider community response they are still missing data that represents community needs for improved traffic conditions and safety

The planned charter high school demanded a better planned location, a safe plan with minimal impact on resident safety considerations and traffic congestion, on parking, and on the increased commuter travel time to Boston. The West Roxbury Parkway at Belgrade Ave is THE gateway to Boston. Boston is recognized as the most congested city in the country at rush hour. The 361 project would increase our existent logger-jam at Belgrade and the Parkway, extending the current one hour 10 minute ride longer, a nightmare slog into the Boston at the peak of morning traffic.

There is no best solution to traffic and safety concerns that the 361 project developer can offer our community. In the case of this charter school a more appropriate, different site is needed for this project proposal to be successful. .

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 77 Augustus Ave, #2, in Roslindale and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I believe all children have the right to a good education. Roxbury Prep has a proven record of educating Boston students. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Cassandra Velazquez  
77 Augustus Ave, #2  
Roslindale MA 02131



Dear friends,

I am a Roslindale resident and I am in support of the relocation of Roxbury Prep High School to Roslindale.

I have two small children, not yet in school, but we are committed to the Boston Public Schools. We support Roxbury Prep. We are familiar with charter schools and know that the school will work with the community. I am confident that the staff will be directing traffic and the student flow in the mornings and at dismissal times. I am also confident that Roxbury Prep has a rigorous academic curriculum and a strict behavioral policies. I know that parents who send their children to Roxbury Prep also have high expectation and aspirations for their students. I feel this addition will be great for the students and families of West Roxbury and Roslindale along with all the students across the city.

I look forward to working with Roxbury Prep, the developer, Upton Developers and the City of Boston to make this a smooth transition in our neighborhood. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,  
Carin Allen  
147 Beech Street  
Roslindale, MA

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 105 Archdale Rd Roslindale, MA and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I love my child school, nothing would mean more to me to have my child attend high school in the same community we love & serve. Roxbury Prep is more than a school it's become extended community/family. As a mom I depend on a long term relationship with staff & community. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

[Sandra Fernandes  
105 Archdale Rd  
Roslindale, MA 02131  
[REDACTED]

*Sandra Fernandes*

Office Administrator

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Dear Director Jonathan Greenley,

I live at 60 Brookway Road, Roslindale, Ma and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. My 2 sons Joel Mercedes and Joshua Mercedes are students at this school. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Keyla Mercedes

Concerned Parent

Mayor Walsh, Senator Rush, Representative Coppinger, City Councilors, Members of the Boston Planning & Development Agency, and Neighborhood Services Liaisons,

I am writing to express support for Roxbury Prep Charter School and their move to a new building to be built on Belgrade Avenue.

As a father of four, I understand how important it is to have great schools in an accessible location. Roxbury Prep is a great school with a strong reputation, and good schools will help the City of Boston to thrive. It's also clear that further development in Boston will be vital to the city's future — whether schools, housing, or businesses that serve the community. While I understand the concerns of other West Roxbury residents regarding a new use for the property, the school's plans appear to address those in addition to creating a significant level of public good.

Please lend your support to Roxbury Prep by awarding the necessary licenses and permits. Our family will welcome them to the neighborhood.

Thank you,

Tom Corra  
99 Grayfield Ave.



Dear Director Golden,

I live at 55 Newfield Street, West Roxbury, Massachusetts, and I want to express my full support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, Massachusetts.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. Firstly, I am a very proud parent of 3 daughters who have graduated from, and currently attend Boston Collegiate Charter School ("BCCS") in Dorchester, Massachusetts. My oldest is a 2015 graduate, my middle daughter will graduate with the Class of 2017, and my youngest daughter is a member of the Class of 2019. Prior to enrolling at BCCS, my daughters attended Holy Name Parish School. BCCS gained an incredible reputation throughout the City because their mission to prepare every student for college is proven everyday in how they operate their school, the impact they have on each student (no matter what neighborhood they hail from); and their unwavering commitment to educate the whole student.

As you are aware, BCCS is located in a residential neighborhood in Dorchester. I have been commuting from West Roxbury to Dorchester for the past 9 years. BCCS' commitment to being good neighbors has been exemplary. For example, there is a Dunkin Donuts adjacent to the school, A member of the staff was present each morning and afternoon to ensure that the students were not disruptive to the business. I also witen

Donna Mattimoe <[REDACTED]>

Mar 5 (3 days ago)

to william.macgre., brian.golden, michael.christ., jonathan.greel., me, jerome.smith, tom as.gonzalez, daniel.m.murphy, lee.blasi, Michelle.Wu, Mike.Rush, Edward.Copping.

Sincerest apologies - a portion of my closing paragraph was inadvertently deleted, as I lost my internet connection.

Please include the following:

For example, there is a Dunkin Donuts adjacent to the school. A member of the staff was present each morning and afternoon to ensure that the students were not disruptive to the business. Also, I have continually witnessed BCCS staff ensuring that the students were respectful to all the surrounding residents, and their property. The students know what is expected of them, and are held to very high standards.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Donna J. Mattimoe

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Dear Director Golden,

I live at 4255 Washington Street and want to express my unequivocal support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is extremely important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I work as an 8th grade math teacher in a Roxbury Prep middle school, and have worked for BPS schools for 4 years. The work that Roxbury Prep does with students, giving them an exceptionally rigorous education that directly addresses educational inequity in our city and country while creating positive leaders for tomorrow's challenges are only a few reasons that I fully support this initiative. Our students in Boston schools deserve the highest quality education, and allowing Roxbury Prep to continue their history of educational excellence by allowing this project to continue **is a vote that you believe in the vast potential of our students and families** in the Roxbury Prep community, and Boston Public Schools at large. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Joseph Killian  
4255 Washington Street, Apt. 6  
Roslindale, MA 02131

February 17, 2017

Mr. Brian Golden, Director  
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Dear Director Golden,

I live at 52 Codman Hill Ave. Dorchester, MA 02124 and want to express my support for the Roxbury Preparatory School to move forward with their plans to build a high school I at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA.

It is important to me that my support is recorded as part of this ongoing process.

This project means a great deal to me. I've been an RPC Parent for the past four years and it's been a great learning experience/environment for my daughter. The faculty and staff are awesome and the students are full of so much potential. Further, I believe this project to be the best fit for the neighborhood at this large site as the current plan for the building has taken into account community concerns and has addressed them appropriately.

I am hopeful that you will allow them to begin their formal permit process soon.

Sincerely,

Gwendolyn Smith

Parent

52 Codman Hill Ave. Dorchester, MA 02124

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City Councilor Wu - [Michelle.Wu@boston.gov](mailto:Michelle.Wu@boston.gov)

Sen Rush - [Mike.Rush@masenate.gov](mailto:Mike.Rush@masenate.gov)

Rep Coppinger - [Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov](mailto:Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov)

Good morning everyone.

I am writing in support of the construction of a high school at 355-361 Belgrade Avenue in West Roxbury to provide much-needed space for the Roxbury Prep Charter School.

I live across the commuter rail tracks from this location so I am an absolute and actual abutter and know that this school will enhance our neighborhood and, above all, greatly benefit the education of the children who attend Roxbury Prep Charter School.

Please help us with this endeavor and endorse and approve this project as quickly as possible. We need your support.

Time is important since there is need for the school to be ready by the opening of the 2018 school term.

I thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Ellen Adams  
20 Rhoda Street  
West Roxbury, MA 02132

**Subject:** Comment-00004163 has been assigned for approval.  
**From:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 29, 2019 4:01:41 PM GMT-04:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, March 29, 2019 4:01:42 PM GMT-04:00

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Data,

A comment has been submitted for Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School from Rachel Young and is awaiting approval. Please respond with one of the following items below as the first line of the email body to approve/reject the comment.

- approve
- approved
- yes
- reject
- rejected
- no

You can also optionally add comments in the second line of the email body. Additionally, you are able to login to Salesforce.com to approve/reject records.

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Comment: <https://na81.salesforce.com/a0N1Q00000WMqtC>

I have already written several emails in support of the project, but as today is the last day of public comments, I figured "why not?" and am writing one last time.

I appreciate the BPDA's efforts to bring the school and the opponents together to review the project. I understand the meeting was contentious, but I still appreciate the efforts. I have been trying to get city officials to do this for almost a year, and no one wanted to. So thank you.

I hope by now you have heard from enough supporters to appreciate that there is widespread community support for the project. Let's not repeat the mistakes of the past and kowtow to NIMBYist pressures and do what's right for the next generation of Bostonians and build this school in Roslindale.

Thank you,  
Rachel Young  
47 Tyndale Street

**Subject:** Comment-00004141 has been assigned for approval.  
**From:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 29, 2019 10:22:47 AM GMT-04:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, March 29, 2019 10:22:48 AM GMT-04:00

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Data,

A comment has been submitted for Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School from Ginny Gass and is awaiting approval. Please respond with one of the following items below as the first line of the email body to approve/reject the comment.

- approve
- approved
- yes
- reject
- rejected
- no

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Comment: <https://na81.salesforce.com/a0N1Q00000WMqYW>

I am opposed to the Roxbury Prep Charter School proposal because of the problem associated with the location. Located at the gateway in and out of West Roxbury, the school will have a devastating effect on traffic, in addition to the safety issues involved.

Also, I've been in touch with Aisling Kerr regarding the end date of the comment period. Specifically, on March 8, I telephoned to ask if the comment period had been extended from March 8 to a later date. This was my second request for this information. On March 8, Aisling said that the comment period ended that day, March 8.

In light of the fact that this was my second request for this end date information, I was surprised to learn last night (at the Roxbury Prep Board of Trustees meeting in Dorchester), that the comment period had been extended. Disheartening to be affected by Aisling's poor communication skills when the future of traffic and safety in West Roxbury is on the line.



**Subject:** Belgrade Ave Roxbury Prep Charter Comments

**From:** Eileen McGurn <[REDACTED]>

**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>, "Mayor@boston.gov" <Mayor@boston.gov>

**Date Sent:** Friday, March 29, 2019 9:25:47 AM GMT-04:00

**Date Received:** Friday, March 29, 2019 9:25:52 AM GMT-04:00

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My comments are such that this is not a good area to build a school. That intersection is a traffic nightmare. Adding kids crossing the streets in that area is so scary with all of the traffic in that area. It is not the right sight. A school does not exist there at this time. Please consider locations where schools currently exist such as West Roxbury High School which is a huge sight. All kids could be housed together and have great playing fields etc.

Please do not build this school at this sight.

Eileen McGurn  
15 Howitt Rd.  
West Roxbury

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Sean Smith <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, March 27, 2019 3:29:59 PM GMT-04:00  
**Date Received:** Wednesday, March 27, 2019 3:29:59 PM GMT-04:00

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**Name** Sean Smith

**Address** 27 Haslet St Roslindale 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

-Too small an area for that many people

-Public transit cannot handle the influx of people.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Philip McAlary <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Tuesday, March 26, 2019 3:23:08 PM GMT-04:00  
**Date Received:** Tuesday, March 26, 2019 3:23:08 PM GMT-04:00

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**Name** Philip McAlary

**Address** 19 Symmes Street Roslindale 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** 361 Belgrade Avenue Project

**From:** Nancy Geourntas <[REDACTED]>

**To:** Development Review at the BPDA <Aisling.Kerr@Boston.gov>, Info GBANA <info.gbana@gmail.com>, "mayor@boston.gov" <mayor@boston.gov>, Timothy McCarthy <timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov>, Michael Flaherty <michael.flaherty@boston.gov>, Annissa Essaibi-George <annissa.essaibi-george@boston.gov>, "Michelle.wu@boston.gov" <Michelle.wu@boston.gov>, "Althea.garrison@boston.gov" <Althea.garrison@boston.gov>, "matt.omalley@boston.gov" <matt.omalley@boston.gov>, "angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov" <angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov>, "mike.rush@masenate.gov" <mike.rush@masenate.gov>, "Coppinger, Edward - Rep. (HOU)" <Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov>, "alexgeo@usa.com" <alexgeo@usa.com>

**Date Sent:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019 4:36:10 PM GMT-04:00

**Date Received:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019 4:36:13 PM GMT-04:00

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Good Afternoon Aisling,

I'm writing in response to your "Open House" communication on the above noted subject. I'm not quite sure why there is an "Open House" for these plans when the neighborhood has clearly and definitively expressed their concerns about this project with it's unsafe location on a railroad line and the fact that there is no clear study done on traffic (which is already completely congested with the other projects going up in the area, the bridge being repaired, the congestion with the Holy Name School traffic, and not to mention all the side street traffic that is already a problem.) First of all, it should be a community meeting and not an "Open House". I'm not quite sure why this meeting is being held in West Roxbury when the project is located on Belgrade Avenue. The meeting should take place closer to where the project is being proposed.

Why is the company so hell bent on building at this location. They need to go back to the drawing board and choose one of the other locations that was offered to them because this is NOT a good location for a large school like this. It has many more problems and implications than just the traffic, which have all been stated in the different neighborhood meetings that have been held, which I have attended.

I requested a copy of the minutes from the January 30th meeting that was held at Annunciation Cathedral, but they were never received. Do you know why they were never sent to me? Because no one was taking notes at that meeting so how could they possibly know what all the concerns were that were raised at that meeting if they weren't written down? What a waste of everyone's time!

If you do have minutes from that meeting, I'd like a copy please. You can forward them to this email address.

Again, to reiterate, the direct abutters do not want this project to be built at this location. You can have the whole school there with their blue shirts and all but it doesn't change the effect of what that project will do to our neighborhood. It's just the wrong place for such a project. The opinions and concerns of the direct abutters should matter more than anything else!

Again, Please forward a copy of the minutes to the January 30th meeting to my attention at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your time.

Best,

Nancy Geourntas  
Direct abutter to proposed project.

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Sylvia Kuzman <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019 3:20:28 PM GMT-04:00  
**Date Received:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019 3:20:30 PM GMT-04:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

Hi there--

I just wanted you to know that I work with Under-resourced kids at BPS and at some summer programs which work with BPS and Charter Schools, and I am on the board of Roxbury Prep. Our teachers and students work incredibly hard and we have built an amazing community. I truly believe this high school will benefit both the neighborhood and the students and the city at large. I am sure you believe as I do that each kid in Boston that gets the attention and services they need is a benefit to us all.

Here comes the boilerplate stuff, but I do also think it is true:

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Sylvia Kuzman  
110 Dean Rd Brookline, MA 02445-4212  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Margaret Adams <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Tuesday, March 12, 2019 11:20:58 PM GMT-04:00  
**Date Received:** Tuesday, March 12, 2019 11:20:59 PM GMT-04:00

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**Name** Margaret Adams

**Address** 44 Aldrich Street Roslindale 02131

**Email** ~~██████████@gmail.com~~

**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** Re: 361 Belgrade Avenue Project, Roslindale  
**From:** Nancy Geourntas <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** Timothy McCarthy <timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov>  
**Cc:** Development Review at the BPDA <Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov>, "Michelle.wu@boston.gov" <Michelle.wu@boston.gov>, "a.e.george@boston.gov" <a.e.george@boston.gov>, "Brian.golden@boston.gov" <Brian.golden@boston.gov>, "matt.omalley@boston.gov" <matt.omalley@boston.gov>, "Michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov" <Michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov>, "Althea.garrison@boston.gov" <Althea.garrison@boston.gov>, "Coppinger, Edward - Rep. (HOU)" <Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov>, "angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov" <angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov>, "mike.rush@masenate.gov" <mike.rush@masenate.gov>, "mayor@boston.gov" <mayor@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 11:27:21 AM GMT-04:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, March 11, 2019 11:27:24 AM GMT-04:00

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Thank you Tim. We appreciate it.

Best,

Nancy

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**From:** Timothy McCarthy <timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2019 9:16 AM  
**To:** Nancy Geourntas  
**Cc:** Development Review at the BPDA; Michelle.wu@boston.gov; a.e.george@boston.gov; Brian.golden@boston.gov; matt.omalley@boston.gov; Michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov; Althea.garrison@boston.gov; Coppinger, Edward - Rep. (HOU); angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov; mike.rush@masenate.gov; mayor@boston.gov  
**Subject:** Re: 361 Belgrade Avenue Project, Roslindale

I agree and continue to be opposed to this project.

Tim McCarthy  
District 5 City Councilor  
Boston City Hall- 5th Floor  
Boston, MA 02201  
617-635-4210  
@mccarthy4boston  
*What you see out your front door- is important to us!*

On Mon, Mar 11, 2019 at 7:37 AM Nancy Geourntas <[REDACTED]> wrote:  
Please read and consider the abutters of the 361 Belgrade Avenue Project.

Thank you for your time.

Best,

Nancy Geourntas

### 361 Belgrade Avenue Project for the Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School

This letter is going via email to All Boston City Councilors, State Representatives Angelo Scaccia and Ed Coppinger as well as BPDA Project Manager and Director Aisling Kerr and Brian Golden respectively and State Senator Mike Rush along with Mayor Martin Walsh.

My name is Nancy Geourntas and I live in the neighborhood directly affected by the proposed building at 361 Belgrade Avenue. I live on Iona Street, directly across from the proposed site.

I would first like to start by saying that after attending several community meetings regarding this proposed project, I am appalled by the people supporting this project who call those opposed to this project as racist! I am proud to say that I live in one of the most diverse neighborhoods in the City of Boston and that this project has nothing to do with the color, race or ethnicity of the students who would attend this school and it is a shame that when things don't go a certain way, the race card is always in play! **This should never happen.** As a matter of fact, we were never privy to any information on the race, ethnicity or color of any person who would attend this school and quite frankly, it doesn't matter! Let's keep this where it belongs, with the project itself.

What does matter is that I have several issues with this proposed project. First of all, each time I attended one of the community meetings, the project specs changed. It is hard to believe what the actual project will end up looking like based on all the changes, and it also leaves something to be desired in terms of trust with this company proposing the project because at every turn there was a different story. This company has caused much friction with us, the direct abutters!

Our community was also told that this plan was in place because the school had many different locations and they felt it would be most efficiently run if they could unify all their locations and have all their students under one roof. With that said, I am not sure why they have now reduced the square footage and number of students to half the capacity of their original plan since it completely detracts from their overall goal. What happens when they have more students enrolled in this school..... do they build yet another building or add another floor?? It doesn't make sense and quite honestly, if this was their goal for the students, then it doesn't seem right or fair to the students to keep them in all the separate buildings across the city. The students deserve better!

There was a very large community meeting held at the Annunciation Cathedral Hall on Wednesday, January 30, 2019. My concern with this meeting was that there was not one person taking notes on the concerns of the attendees especially those in opposition. If there were, I request here in writing to see them. There were many people there touting blue t-shirts who were for the project and most of these folks were students from the other locations. These are not people who live in the neighborhood around the proposed location who are concerned with the direct negative impacts on the neighborhood.



This project is going to cause additional traffic stresses to an already stressed out area. There will be students driving to school, and there is absolutely nowhere to park. My street is over full capacity with cars of actual residents who live there, never mind additional vehicles. I realize the school has a no driving policy for students, but they really will not be able to control that.

*I did not see any concrete details about the transportation plan for this proposal just suggestions and speculation about the MBTA/Commuter Rail accommodating students for arrival and departure from the school. No direct verifiable agreement and/or commitment was announced or produced at any meeting. This has been discussed since this process started and here we are almost a year into it and no firm plans about the public transportation issues and the impact on commuters who utilize commuter rail every day to get to work.*

*On the traffic study presentation, it was quite incomprehensible and to tell you the truth, I do not even think one was even conducted. The consultant making the presentation was all over the place with no clear cut answer to any question from the meeting attendees. Just a lot of double talk.... No clear coherent results that accompany genuine traffic studies.*

*The use of Anawan Avenue as a "drop off and pick-up" is another concern of direct abutters as this will utilize a public roadway for a private purpose. This should be moved to be part of the project within the parcel boundaries not on a public street where traffic and backups will be a daily occurrence and residents that live directly across from this parcel have serious concerns about access to their right-of-way into their property.*

Also, I'm concerned with student safety. Kids will be kids and I fear for their safety. I don't think it's a good idea to build a school next to a rail line! We have already lost kids by accidents on these tracks!

There are two other major projects already slated to happen in this very same vicinity. One is diagonally across from the 361 Belgrade Ave, at the triangle. A condo development is going up there, so that has to be taken into consideration as well as the project on the same side of the street as 361 Belgrade Ave., one block down, another housing development is slated to go up. This adds to the stresses of the neighborhood already in a very significant way.

I understand that this company declined many other sites proposed for this project. I recommend they re-evaluate the overall goal and choose another site more fitting for their needs. Even in its reduced size, it's not the place to build a school.

Thank you.

Nancy Geourntas  
Direct Abutter to proposed 361 Belgrade Avenue

**Subject:** Roxbury Prep site

**From:** June Downey <[REDACTED]>

**To:** mayor@boston.gov

**Cc:** barbara.vandyke@gmail.com, timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov, matthew.o'malley@boston.gov, michelle.wu@boston.gov, michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov, a.e.george@boston.gov, althea.garrison@boston.gov, Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov, Nika.elug@mahouse.gov, Mike.Rush@masenate.gov, Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov, brian.golden@boston.gov, constituent.services@state.ma.us

**Date Sent:** Saturday, March 9, 2019 10:30:00 AM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Saturday, March 9, 2019 10:30:03 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Mayor Walsh,

I don't know Ms. VanDyke; a third party sent me a copy of her letter (see below) to you regarding Roxbury Prep. The point of this note is to tell you that we share her opinions and couldn't state them any better.

June and Walter Downey  
135 Bellevue St.  
West Roxbury

**Subject: Poor site selection for Roxbury Prep High School**

Dear Mayor Walsh;

Tom and I would like to go on the record as strong opponents of the proposal to build a new High School for Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Despite changing the proposal to barely meet the criteria for small development, the proposal remains way too large. With the reduction in size the Recommended Criteria for Square Feet/Student are only slightly above 1/3 of recommended guidelines. A new and wonderful school should meet all of those guidelines, have outdoor space, access to playing fields and a safe environment. Building immediately adjacent to train tracks is not a safe environment. A drop-off area that blocks the egress from an already developed small condo building garage is not a safe environment. At meetings, other recent builds have been cited that have less space than this one. Should we continue to condone the building of sub standard educational facilities in the city of Boston? We have 14 schools within 2.5 miles of this site. These schools already exist and have serious impact on our traffic and transportation. How can we, in good conscience, add yet another? The MBTA is already overloaded. The Needham Line is one track. How will our commuters get to their jobs in Boston, already a major challenge due to the condition of our public transportation, with the addition of close to 600 students and staff that we are being told will use public transportation?

The public information meetings have been much more pep rallies for RP than informational. RP students, parents and faculty are champions of their school. Why they are rallying for a sub standard facility that just happens to be new is a mystery to us. The decisions around these proposals should not be based on a "popularity contest" of who makes the most phone calls. It should be based on very careful scrutiny of the proposal and the meeting of guidelines as well as the impact on a residential neighborhood that is already overloaded with new project density and traffic nightmares. That is the requirement for careful and thoughtful urban planning. Please give this project your complete consideration and oppose it due to all of its inadequacies.

Sincerely,  
Tom and Barbara Van Dyke

1 Rutledge Street  
West Roxbury, MA 02132

**Subject:** Oppose Charter in Roslindale  
**From:** Jean Corbo-Hudak <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** john.dalzell@boston.gov,aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 4:56:14 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, March 8, 2019 4:56:27 PM GMT-05:00

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To Whom it May Concern,

I strongly oppose a charter high school, however I strongly support a Boston Public High School on Belgrade. This is especially since we are likely to lose West Roxbury High. Charter schools should not be a priority over true public schools. I am I life long resident in Boston and dedicated to the success of the BPS system. Please research the negative effects charters are having on public education. Read past the manipulative language used to boost test scores and look closely at the population who requires special education and cannot be serviced in these schools. The non-union teachers leave a revolving door open to inexperienced teachers who are quickly burned out and leave for work that truly supports the Boston children. Let's make Roslindale's first high school a Boston Public School!

I also feel strongly that we support Carbon Free Boston when building in the city. I join my neighbors in asking:

- 1) That you build a net-zero carbon building that will mitigate climate change and be resilient to more severe weather.
- 2) Build an all-electric building, use an all electric HVAC system using VRF Heat pumps
- 3)Use Triple Glazed Windows Insulate
- 4) Commit to purchase of RECs or Green Power for 100% of energy use
- 5) Talk to at least two PPA vendors about solar

Thank you,  
Jean Corbo-Hudak  
301 Cornell Street, Roslindale

**Subject:** Fwd: Opposition to Proposed Project at 361 Belgrade Avenue  
**From:** Tammy Donovan <tammy.donovan@boston.gov>  
**To:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 4:48:45 PM GMT-05:00  
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Tammy Donovan

*Special Assistant to the Executive Director/Secretary*  
617-918-4388

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From: **Tammy Donovan** <[tammy.donovan@boston.gov](mailto:tammy.donovan@boston.gov)>

Date: Fri, Mar 8, 2019 at 9:25 AM

Subject: Re: Opposition to Proposed Project at 361 Belgrade Avenue

To: Mary Karapetian <[mary.vk@verizon.net](mailto:mary.vk@verizon.net)>

Confirming receipt of your comment letter.

I am also forwarding this email to the Project Manager Aisling Kerr.

thank you



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Tammy Donovan

*Special Assistant to the Executive Director/Secretary*  
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On Thu, Mar 7, 2019 at 10:24 PM Mary Karapetian <[mary.vk@verizon.net](mailto:mary.vk@verizon.net)> wrote:

Dear Ms. Donovan,

My home on Belgrade Avenue is in close proximity to the proposed site for Roxbury Prep, operated by a New York charter school company. At both of the recent BPDA public meetings for the proposed high school, I listened to all the vagaries of the project presented by the proponent's representatives. It is difficult to understand how a project of this scope that clearly is not well thought out reaches the point of making a public presentation to the community. For a public charter school, there's not much public information available or transparency with transactions surrounding this project.

If I wanted to build an addition to my home, I would face far greater scrutiny. However, despite all the zoning violations, lot restrictions, student enrollment and safety issues, and impact on the immediate neighbors that encompass this project, it is moving forward in the process under a BPDA small project review. Educational uses may be allowed on this tiny parcel of land, but I don't think anyone involved in making that designation ever envisioned cramming well over 600 individuals on it.

The proponent claims the smaller building project is in response to the immediate neighborhood's concerns. I don't recall being at a neighborhood meeting where anyone suggested a smaller building with the same issues would be better.

It appears the proponent is trying to circumvent the process. They made some hard to believe assurances at the BPDA public meetings about student enrollment and the building size. Aren't there such things as permit amendments, building additions, acquiring additional property, and the like no matter what is put in writing for this project at this time? There's always tomorrow to expand. They heard the immediate neighborhood concerns and objections loud and clear at previous meetings in 2017 when the original intent was to build a larger building requiring a BPDA large project review and their solution is to ignore us.

After the 2017 preliminary meetings, the proponent did "extensive" community outreach further away from the proposed site where it is easier to shape opinions with individuals who are not directly impacted. The proponent's poorly developed plan based on generalizations might appeal to a broader base. Immediate neighbors have significant concerns and object to this project at this location.

During their recent public presentation, the proponent's representatives indifferently pointed to buildings near the proposed site. They had to be reminded the buildings are someone's home. At both meetings, some immediate neighbors, as close as the next-door condominiums, stated that the proponent has never attempted to reach out to them over the course of the past two years. That is how limited their outreach was with regard to the immediate neighborhood and highlights their lack of concern with the impact of their proposed project.

The proposed site is located in a dense mostly residential neighborhood made even denser by recent real estate development. It is at the intersection of Belgrade Avenue and West Roxbury Parkway, near a heavily traveled rotary, and next to the Bellevue commuter rail station.

The commuter rail is a key component of the proponent's transportation plan. Potentially, this means hundreds of students will be traveling through the neighborhood's small one track rail station. There is no significant evidence of safety measures put in place by the proponent to convince me that is a good idea. There is nothing but the empty assurances the proponent's representatives offered at the BPDA public meetings. The same empty assurances apply for embarking and disembarking MBTA buses by hundreds more students.

Providing bus and train schedules and ridership statistics for a reverse commute is not adequate and would be laughable if it didn't involve students and neighborhood commuters. I got the impression the proponent's representatives had a dismissive attitude to questions about transportation safety and logistics. After all, they assured us, no one has been killed or seriously injured at their current sites. This is not a simple building project. It is not like some of their smaller sites. It is a significantly larger project involving hundreds of school children, and a clear safety plan should already be in place for consideration. That is not something the proponent should be allowed to figure it out after the fact out of public view with no oversight. For this lack of good judgment alone, their project should not be allowed to proceed.

The proponents say our neighborhood needs a high school, yet Roxbury Prep uses a citywide lottery to fill their seats. Roslindale and West Roxbury students are unlikely to get a seat since far more middle school students will be advancing than the proposed maximum capacity of 562 high school students.

The high school has 568 students according to the 2018-19 enrollment data on the state's Department of Education website. High school enrollment will grow to 550 according to their BPDA application, and they claim they are serving "approximately 800 students" on Roxbury Prep High School's website. This is very confusing and conflicting data. Either way, there will not be enough seats to meet the needs of their current (950, from DOE website; 950, BPDA application; or 940, Roxbury Prep website) middle school students at the proposed high school —388 will not get a seat as they advance. There will be no seamless transition to high school for them. That's a lot of students for the proponent to overlook if educating children is the their main concern.

The proponent does not have a sound plan in place to meet the current and future needs of their own students. Crowding 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, however many hundreds of students they would like to fit on less than an acre of land falls short of anything resembling responsible planning. On their website, they claim, "By 2019, we will serve 1,800 students at three middle school campuses and a high school." With that as their goal, how does this proposed project make any sense? It doesn't.

A portion of this tiny parcel of land includes public parkland along West Roxbury Parkway with a deed restriction that it can only be used for parking purposes. The parkland is currently used for sales and storage of unregistered used cars. How did that parkland arrangement happen? Why was the restriction not enforced? How is that happening with today's strict standards of protecting our green spaces?

The proposed high school will generate an influx of well over 600 individuals a day into the

neighborhood. It's also important to note additional congestion and traffic will continue in the evening and on weekends as they plan to rent out multi-purpose areas—they claim this will benefit the neighborhood. For large events, they plan to provide valet parking. Where? Our driveways?

The roads around the proposed site were not built to handle the current amount of traffic, and I will venture to guess that other infrastructure such as water and sewer will need serious upgrading. Yet, the proponent takes these safety and quality of life issues as nuisances. Conversely, poor development planning by the proponent should not be a detriment to the immediate neighborhood.

It rings hollow when proponents say traffic delays are a small price to pay for the education of children. At the public meetings, we were informed a few of their staff travel up to a half hour or more in slow traffic between the two current sites. There was an especially exasperating moment when a staff member told us that instead of sitting in that traffic, he would be able to walk a short distance to work. This is while several hundred students will travel longer distances both to and from the site on public transportation for up to an hour if they're lucky and there are no service delays or cancellations. It appears inconvenience for students to accommodate the staff is preferable.

The proponent has unlimited funds at their disposal to hire attorneys and PR people to push their project. Those funds could be better used to finding a suitable location to unify their school and meet their needs. Not for a moment do I believe the proponent's claim that an exhaustive search was made to find a suitable location. Someone competent should be hired to carry out a professional and productive Boston site location search.

My opinion is the New York charter school company, supported with our tax dollars, is telling the students and parents of the middle and high school that this project is good enough for them. I say they deserve better than this substandard excuse of a modern high school building on a tiny parcel of land for all the money that is being thrown at it. My neighbors and I deserve better than to have our concerns ignored.

The immediate neighbors are clearly outmatched in terms of resources—no attorneys, no PR people, and no unlimited funds. We have voiced our concerns at meetings, signed petitions, sent letters to our elected officials, put up signs, made phone calls, and handed out flyers. We have done everything a private citizen can do in the hope our concerns would be heard.

The proponent's PR people responded to our strong objections to their project by insinuating we are racists, directing ageist remarks at some of us, and belittling and misrepresenting GBANA, our neighborhood association (I live on the wrong side of the tracks to join LANA—the tracks are a membership boundary line—how appropriate). Residents directly impacted by this project have a right to voice their concerns and objections and receive answers to their questions. The proponent's insults are an attempt to discredit and trivialize our concerns about their poorly planned project.



This school project serves only those who benefit monetarily: the auto dealer who owns the land, the developer, architects, attorneys, contractors, PR people, and the New York charter school company. They, among a few others, are the only ones who stand to gain from this project.

Much of the new development in our community brings to mind the "revitalization" of the West End. It is a different time and a different approach, but it is exactly the same kind of maneuvering by self-serving individuals who flaunt their indifference and use excessive influence without any regard to how they impact a community. One of the comments repeatedly expressed in the neighborhood about this project is that "it's a done deal." It is troubling to hear that is what residents think. The apparent lack of good judgment and good data exhibited by the proponent in planning this development is evident in various aspects of this deal. Some aspects are vague or invisible. In the public interest, this project, no matter what the size, should not move forward. We need responsible planning and development of our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Mary Karapetian

246 Belgrade Avenue

Roslindale, MA 02131

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Leo Karapetian <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 4:20:57 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, March 8, 2019 4:20:58 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Leo Karapetian

**Address** 246 Belgrade Ave. Roslindale 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

**Message** My wife and I are residents of Belgrade Ave., Roslindale, for more than forty years. In recent years, new apartment buildings have been built on Belgrade Ave. each containing more dwelling units than than the existing triple-deckers predominant in this area.

In 2017, we heard about a proposal to construct a high school at 361 Belgrade Ave., a site owned by Clay Chevrolet, presently selling used cars. We went to a Roxbury Prep presentation at the District E-5 police station.

Representatives from Roxbury Prep proposed to construct a high school, on a parcel of land (less than an acre in size) three to four stories high, to contain over 900 students and faculty. They would arrive by MBTA commuter rail, buses and cars. There was almost unanimous opposition to this proposal Most objections centered on this location being inappropriate for such use, because of condensing so many people in a small space (for a high school) and traffic problems at the intersection of Belgrade Ave. and the West Roxbury Parkway, both bearing major traffic during weekdays. Other objections included that few children from the Roslindale/West Roxbury areas would be able to attend as this is a charter school where enrollment is determined by lottery. We thought this was the end of the matter.

In January and February 2019, we attended meetings at Annunciation Church on VFW Parkway hosted by the BPDA. The hall was packed. About a third of the people wore blue T-shirts supporting the school. Roxbury Prep presented a new plan for a three level building, containing about 562 students plus faculty on the subject site.

Testimony was heard from people from both sides of this issue. However, the people who testified in favor would not be affected by the problems that would be caused by construction of this school. It is my impression that the people who support this proposal were enticed by promises of favoritism.

It is my further impression that Roxbury Prep intends to build additional stories on the building in the near future, in order that they may expand enrollment to the numbers they proposed in 2017, i.e., over 900 students and faculty.

The West Roxbury High School building, which has been under enrolled for years and in need of repairs, is to be closed at the end of this school year and eventually reconstructed. Even if this is true, I don't think enrollment will be increased.

I am not opposed to charter schools; they are a good alternative. I think the City of Boston should lease or sell this building to Roxbury Prep. Instead of spending millions for construction on a dubious site much too small for such use, Roxbury Prep should spend it on an existing building architecturally designed as a high school. This would be a better solution in the long term and allow for future expansion.

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Tom and Barbara Van Dyke <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 12:43:30 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, March 8, 2019 12:43:30 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Tom and Barbara Van Dyke  
**Address** 1 Rutledge Street West Roxbury, MA 02132  
**Email** ~~tom.vandyke@gmail.com~~

**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the the proposed construction of Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 562 students. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA. The development does NOT meet Department of Education Standards for space for HS students. The location adjacent to train tracks is completely unsafe and the resultant traffic and public transportation disruption will make a bad traffic situation 10X worse!

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** Poor site selection for Roxbury Prep High School

**From:** Barbara Van Dyke <[REDACTED]>

**To:** mayor@boston.gov

**Cc:** timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov, matthew.o'malley@boston.gov, michelle.wu@boston.gov, michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov, a.e.george@boston.gov, althea.garrison@boston.gov, Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov, Nika.elug@mahouse.gov, Mike.Rush@masenate.gov, Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov, brian.golden@boston.gov, constituent.services@state.ma.us

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Dear Mayor Walsh;

Tom and I would like to go on the record as strong opponents of the proposal to build a new High School for Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Despite changing the proposal to barely meet the criteria for small development, the proposal remains way too large. With the reduction in size the Recommended Criteria for Square Feet/Student are only slightly above 1/3 of recommended guidelines. A new and wonderful school should meet all of those guidelines, have outdoor space, access to playing fields and a safe environment. Building immediately adjacent to train tracks is not a safe environment. A drop-off area that blocks the egress from an already developed small condo building garage is not a safe environment. At meetings, other recent builds have been cited that have less space than this one. Should we continue to condone the building of sub standard educational facilities in the city of Boston? We have 14 schools within 2.5 miles of this site. These schools already exist and have serious impact on our traffic and transportation. How can we, in good conscience, add yet another? The MBTA is already overloaded. The Needham Line is one track. How will our commuters get to their jobs in Boston, already a major challenge due to the condition of our public transportation, with the addition of close to 600 students and staff that we are being told will use public transportation? The public information meetings have been much more pep rallies for RP than informational. RP students, parents and faculty are champions of their school. Why they are rallying for a sub standard facility that just happens to be new is a mystery to us.

The decisions around these proposals should not be based on a "popularity contest" of who makes the most phone calls. It should be based on very careful scrutiny of the proposal and the meeting of guidelines as well as the impact on a residential neighborhood that is already overloaded with new project density and traffic nightmares. That is the requirement for careful and thoughtful urban planning. Please give this project your complete consideration and oppose it due to all of its inadequacies.

Sincerely,

Tom and Barbara Van Dyke

1 Rutledge Street

West Roxbury, MA 02132

**Subject:** Comment on Roxbury Prep project, 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Kaleigh Ross <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** john.dalzell@boston.gov,aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 2:36:34 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, March 8, 2019 2:36:45 PM GMT-05:00

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To Whom It May Concern:

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Given the immediacy of climate change -- the UN estimates we have 10-12 years to reduce our carbon emissions by 50% to stay within 1.5 degree of warming -- we urge you to not contribute additional carbon to our community. Staying below 1.5 degrees of warming is an important goal for Boston whose real estate will be threatened by rising sea water and flooding. Damage from flooding and extreme storms will be incredibly costly if we don't focus on climate mitigation now. We also know climate change is already impacting our children's health: our kids are already suffering more environmental-related asthma and allergies and more tick- and mosquito-borne diseases. As educators and families, we don't want to endanger the health of our kids any further.

**Our ask:**

**In light of our collective situation, we ask that you build a net-zero carbon building that will mitigate climate change and be resilient to more severe weather. We request that you:**

- **Build an all-electric building, use an all electric HVAC system using VRF Heat pumps**
- **Use Triple Glazed Windows**
- **Insulate**
- **Commit to purchase of RECs or Green Power for 100% of energy use**
- **Talk to at least two PPA vendors about solar.**

We share your commitment to building a wonderful learning environment for our Boston kids and we appreciate you considering the future of our collective climate and the future health and well-being of our kids as you make your building plans. We all want a livable climate for the next generation.

Sincerely,  
Kaleigh Conway

**Subject:** Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School  
**From:** Andee Krasner <~~andee.krasner@gmail.com~~>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Cc:** john.dalzell@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2019 1:49:12 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, March 8, 2019 1:49:24 PM GMT-05:00

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Sincerely,  
Andee Krasner  
JP Resident - 43 Sheridan Street  
Mom to 7 year old and 11 year old  
Mothers Out Front Volunteer

**Subject:** Opposition to Proposed Project at 361 Belgrade Avenue  
**From:** Mary Karapetian <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, March 7, 2019 10:26:19 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, March 7, 2019 10:26:23 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Ms. Kerr,

My home on Belgrade Avenue is in close proximity to the proposed site for Roxbury Prep, operated by a New York charter school company. At both of the recent BPDA public meetings for the proposed high school, I listened to all the vagaries of the project presented by the proponent's representatives. It is difficult to understand how a project of this scope that clearly is not well thought out reaches the point of making a public presentation to the community. For a public charter school, there's not much public information available or transparency with transactions surrounding this project.

If I wanted to build an addition to my home, I would face far greater scrutiny. However, despite all the zoning violations, lot restrictions, student enrollment and safety issues, and impact on the immediate neighbors that encompass this project, it is moving forward in the process under a BPDA small project review. Educational uses may be allowed on this tiny parcel of land, but I don't think anyone involved in making that designation ever envisioned cramming well over 600 individuals on it.

The proponent claims the smaller building project is in response to the immediate neighborhood's concerns. I don't recall being at a neighborhood meeting where anyone suggested a smaller building with the same issues would be better.

It appears the proponent is trying to circumvent the process. They made some hard to believe assurances at the BPDA public meetings about student enrollment and the building size. Aren't there such things as permit amendments, building additions, acquiring additional property, and the like no matter what is put in writing for this project at this time? There's always tomorrow to expand. They heard the immediate neighborhood concerns and objections loud and clear at previous meetings in 2017 when the original intent was to build a larger building requiring a BPDA large project review and their solution is to ignore us.

After the 2017 preliminary meetings, the proponent did "extensive" community outreach further away from the proposed site where it is easier to shape opinions with individuals who are not directly impacted. The proponent's poorly developed plan based on generalizations might appeal to a broader base. Immediate neighbors have significant concerns and object to this project at this location.

During their recent public presentation, the proponent's representatives indifferently pointed to buildings near the proposed site. They had to be reminded the buildings are someone's home. At both meetings, some immediate neighbors, as close as the next-door condominiums, stated that the proponent has never attempted to reach out to them over the course of the past two years. That is how limited their outreach was with regard to the immediate neighborhood and highlights their lack of concern with the impact of their proposed project.

The proposed site is located in a dense mostly residential neighborhood made even denser by recent real estate development. It is at the intersection of Belgrade Avenue and West Roxbury Parkway, near a heavily traveled rotary, and next to the Bellevue commuter rail station.

The commuter rail is a key component of the proponent's transportation plan. Potentially, this means hundreds of students will be traveling through the neighborhood's small one track rail station. There is no significant evidence of safety measures put in place by the proponent to



convince me that is a good idea. There is nothing but the empty assurances the proponent's representatives offered at the BPDA public meetings. The same empty assurances apply for embarking and disembarking MBTA buses by hundreds more students.

Providing bus and train schedules and ridership statistics for a reverse commute is not adequate and would be laughable if it didn't involve students and neighborhood commuters. I got the impression the proponent's representatives had a dismissive attitude to questions about transportation safety and logistics. After all, they assured us, no one has been killed or seriously injured at their current sites. This is not a simple building project. It is not like some of their smaller sites. It is a significantly larger project involving hundreds of school children, and a clear safety plan should already be in place for consideration. That is not something the proponent should be allowed to figure it out after the fact out of public view with no oversight. For this lack of good judgment alone, their project should not be allowed to proceed.

The proponents say our neighborhood needs a high school, yet Roxbury Prep uses a citywide lottery to fill their seats. Roslindale and West Roxbury students are unlikely to get a seat since far more middle school students will be advancing than the proposed maximum capacity of 562 high school students.

The high school has 568 students according to the 2018-19 enrollment data on the state's Department of Education website. High school enrollment will grow to 550 according to their BPDA application, and they claim they are serving "approximately 800 students" on Roxbury Prep High School's website. This is very confusing and conflicting data. Either way, there will not be enough seats to meet the needs of their current (950, from DOE website; 950, BPDA application; or 940, Roxbury Prep website) middle school students at the proposed high school—388 will not get a seat as they advance. There will be no seamless transition to high school for them. That's a lot of students for the proponent to overlook if educating children is the their main concern.

The proponent does not have a sound plan in place to meet the current and future needs of their own students. Crowding 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, however many hundreds of students they would like to fit on less than an acre of land falls short of anything resembling responsible planning. On their website, they claim, "By 2019, we will serve 1,800 students at three middle school campuses and a high school." With that as their goal, how does this proposed project make any sense? It doesn't.

A portion of this tiny parcel of land includes public parkland along West Roxbury Parkway with a deed restriction that it can only be used for parking purposes. The parkland is currently used for sales and storage of unregistered used cars. How did that parkland arrangement happen? Why was the restriction not enforced? How is that happening with today's strict standards of protecting our green spaces?

The proposed high school will generate an influx of well over 600 individuals a day into the neighborhood. It's also important to note additional congestion and traffic will continue in the evening and on weekends as they plan to rent out multi-purpose areas—they claim this will benefit the neighborhood. For large events, they plan to provide valet parking. Where? Our driveways?

The roads around the proposed site were not built to handle the current amount of traffic, and I will venture to guess that other infrastructure such as water and sewer will need serious upgrading. Yet, the proponent takes these safety and quality of life issues as nuisances. Conversely, poor development planning by the proponent should not be a detriment to the immediate neighborhood.

It rings hollow when proponents say traffic delays are a small price to pay for the education of children. At the public meetings, we were informed a few of their staff travel up to a half hour or

more in slow traffic between the two current sites. There was an especially exasperating moment when a staff member told us that instead of sitting in that traffic, he would be able to walk a short distance to work. This is while several hundred students will travel longer distances both to and from the site on public transportation for up to an hour if they're lucky and there are no service delays or cancellations. It appears inconvenience for students to accommodate the staff is preferable.

The proponent has unlimited funds at their disposal to hire attorneys and PR people to push their project. Those funds could be better used to finding a suitable location to unify their school and meet their needs. Not for a moment do I believe the proponent's claim that an exhaustive search was made to find a suitable location. Someone competent should be hired to carry out a professional and productive Boston site location search.

My opinion is the New York charter school company, supported with our tax dollars, is telling the students and parents of the middle and high school that this project is good enough for them. I say they deserve better than this substandard excuse of a modern high school building on a tiny parcel of land for all the money that is being thrown at it. My neighbors and I deserve better than to have our concerns ignored.

The immediate neighbors are clearly outmatched in terms of resources—no attorneys, no PR people, and no unlimited funds. We have voiced our concerns at meetings, signed petitions, sent letters to our elected officials, put up signs, made phone calls, and handed out flyers. We have done everything a private citizen can do in the hope our concerns would be heard.

The proponent's PR people responded to our strong objections to their project by insinuating we are racists, directing ageist remarks at some of us, and belittling and misrepresenting GBANA, our neighborhood association (I live on the wrong side of the tracks to join LANA—the tracks are a membership boundary line—how appropriate). Residents directly impacted by this project have a right to voice their concerns and objections and receive answers to their questions. The proponent's insults are an attempt to discredit and trivialize our concerns about their poorly planned project.

This school project serves only those who benefit monetarily: the auto dealer who owns the land, the developer, architects, attorneys, contractors, PR people, and the New York charter school company. They, among a few others, are the only ones who stand to gain from this project.

Much of the new development in our community brings to mind the "revitalization" of the West End. It is a different time and a different approach, but it is exactly the same kind of maneuvering by self-serving individuals who flaunt their indifference and use excessive influence without any regard to how they impact a community. One of the comments repeatedly expressed in the neighborhood about this project is that "it's a done deal." It's troubling to hear that is what residents think. The apparent lack of good judgment and good data exhibited by the proponent in planning this development is evident in various aspects of this deal. Some aspects are vague or invisible. In the public interest, this project, no matter what the size, should not move forward. We need responsible planning and development of our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Mary Karapetian  
246 Belgrade Avenue  
Roslindale, MA 02131

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Mara Karapetian <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, March 7, 2019 9:46:36 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, March 7, 2019 9:46:37 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Mara Karapetian  
**Address** 246 Belgrade Ave #1 Roslindale 02131  
**Email** [REDACTED]  
**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Laura Hess <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 22, 2019 9:42:07 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 22, 2019 9:42:08 AM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Laura Hess

**Address** 19 Rosecloiff Street Roslindae 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

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**From:** Brian Golden <brian.golden@boston.gov>  
**To:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 22, 2019 1:19:10 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 22, 2019 1:19:47 PM GMT-05:00

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**To:** [brian.golden@boston.gov](mailto:brian.golden@boston.gov) <[brian.golden@boston.gov](mailto:brian.golden@boston.gov)>

<b>Name</b>	Laura Hess
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**From:** Colin Donnelly <colin.donnelly@boston.gov>  
**To:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 22, 2019 1:18:50 PM GMT-05:00  
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**From:** **Kris Elbein** <[kris.elbein@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:kris.elbein@everyactioncustom.com)>  
**Date:** Fri, Feb 22, 2019 at 12:34 PM  
**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**To:** <[Brian.Golden@boston.gov](mailto:Brian.Golden@boston.gov)>

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Kris Elbein  
40 River St Unit 110 Mattapan, MA 02126-2982  
[kris.elbein@roxburyprep.org](mailto:kris.elbein@roxburyprep.org)

**Subject:** Fwd: OPPOSE 361 Belgrade  
**From:** Colin Donnelly <colin.donnelly@boston.gov>  
**To:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
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**From:** Catherine Stonis <[cstonis@hotmail.com](mailto:cstonis@hotmail.com)>  
**Date:** Thu, Feb 21, 2019 at 7:50 PM  
**Subject:** OPPOSE 361 Belgrade  
**To:** [mayor@boston.gov](mailto:mayor@boston.gov) <[mayor@boston.gov](mailto:mayor@boston.gov)>, [matthew.omalley@boston.gov](mailto:matthew.omalley@boston.gov) <[matthew.omalley@boston.gov](mailto:matthew.omalley@boston.gov)>, [timothy.mcarthy@boston.gov](mailto:timothy.mcarthy@boston.gov) <[timothy.mcarthy@boston.gov](mailto:timothy.mcarthy@boston.gov)>, [a.e.george@boston.gov](mailto:a.e.george@boston.gov) <[a.e.george@boston.gov](mailto:a.e.george@boston.gov)>, [michelle.wu@boston.gov](mailto:michelle.wu@boston.gov) <[michelle.wu@boston.gov](mailto:michelle.wu@boston.gov)>, [michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov](mailto:michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov) <[michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov](mailto:michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov)>, [Mike.Rush@masenate.gov](mailto:Mike.Rush@masenate.gov) <[Mike.Rush@masenate.gov](mailto:Mike.Rush@masenate.gov)>, [Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov](mailto:Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov) <[Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov](mailto:Edward.Coppinger@mahouse.gov)>, [jack.duggan@boston.gov](mailto:jack.duggan@boston.gov) <[jack.duggan@boston.gov](mailto:jack.duggan@boston.gov)>, [brian.golden@boston.gov](mailto:brian.golden@boston.gov) <[brian.golden@boston.gov](mailto:brian.golden@boston.gov)>, [tammy.donovan@boston.gov](mailto:tammy.donovan@boston.gov) <[tammy.donovan@boston.gov](mailto:tammy.donovan@boston.gov)>, [timothy.burke@boston.gov](mailto:timothy.burke@boston.gov) <[timothy.burke@boston.gov](mailto:timothy.burke@boston.gov)>, [angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov](mailto:angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov) <[angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov](mailto:angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov)>

I am writing to OPPOSE the project at 361 Belgrade. I live up the street from the location and commute through that intersection at least 1-2x per week. The traffic is already impressive, getting by that intersection and then through the rotary is tough. The way back home in that exact area the PM hours is even worse-the bottleneaking of traffic from Belgrade/parkway intersection backs up traffic into the holy name rotary. This neighborhood cannot absorb a student/teacher body of this size and scope without negatively impacting the quality of life of the area residents. The traffic rating if this size of a school is built will go to an F and is not acceptable-it needs to be taken seriously for the residents that live here. We understand a school make need a new building but this is not the right location.

Thank you,

Catherine Kelly  
19 Tennyson Street  
West Roxbury

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Kris Elbein <kris.elbein@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 22, 2019 12:34:08 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 22, 2019 12:34:08 PM GMT-05:00

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40 River St Unit 110 Mattapan, MA 02126-2982





**Subject:** 361 Belgrade Ave West Roxbury, MA 02132  
**From:** Rebecca Connolly <[REDACTED]@gmail.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 11:06:45 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 11:06:48 PM GMT-05:00

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Ms. Kerr,  
I've worked at the Mozart School in this area.

361 Belgrade Ave  
West Roxbury, MA 02132  
United States

Students and teachers are all affected by this. Individuals in this neighborhood feel the project is too big for the proposed site, and they are correct. I am supporting them.

This is an example of another private charter school being built that will take public funds from our already poorly funded public schools.

Coincidentally this year, the school committee voted to close two, well loved high schools in West Roxbury, citing the cost to maintain the buildings is too high. This is not fair. This is not right. Boston Planning & Development Agency, please do not use any state funds to support this!

## Rebecca D. Connolly

# Keep public funds in public schools!

Sent from my iPhone

**Subject:** NO to 361 Belgrade

**From:** Catherine Stonis <[REDACTED]>

**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>

**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 7:56:28 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 7:56:30 PM GMT-05:00

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**From:** Marissa Puntigam <gracies.shalom@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:36:50 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:36:51 PM GMT-05:00

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Sincerely,  
Marissa Puntigam  
108 Florence St Roslindale, MA 02131-2620  
~~gracies.shalom@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Charter School 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** annemarie ryan <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov,annemarie ryan <anawanne@gmail.com>  
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**From:**

Annemarie Ryan  
10 Anawan Terrace  
West Roxbury 02132

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\* BPDA has held two meetings and their "Comment" period ends on Feb 22nd

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I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

As a longtime resident and home owner in West Roxbury, only one block from this location, I believe this project would greatly harm the community. In addition, I am not the only person who is concerned for the safety of the students due to congestion from cars, buses and other types of transportation in this community.

When one invests in a home and a community, people look for many things including schooling, congestion, traffic, and ease of transportation. I attended high school in Roslindale because there was no high school in West Roxbury. Many students attend high school outside their community. While I am open to change, there is a breaking point. Look at your own homes and how you would react to the kind of change that this particular project would bring. There is also a massive amount of buildings and projects approved and others seeking approval for this area including apartments and condos. This is a busy suburban Boston area. If anything, it would be better to build apartments/condos/senior housing on this sight rather than the project that is being proposed.

We have been told that the school will also be used evenings and on weekends (which will include parents and families). The commuter rail does not run on weekends. Where will people park? I have been told by some residents, who have health issues that they are frightened that they will have to park further and further away and it will become even more difficult to get to and from their cars/homes.

We also have been told that travel will be increased by only 1-2 minutes. I feel we have been made to feel that we are selfish to complain about this issue. I can guarantee that it takes much more that 1 to 2 minutes in additional time to navigate the increased traffic even now!!! There is no such thing as an average delay!!! Proponents of the project have said that this problem is happening all over the city. Should we continue to add to this problem? Should we succumb to this thinking? We have been told to just "get over it".

Try turning left on Anawan Avenue where you will come to a six-way intersection on the West Roxbury Parkway, Anawan Avenue, and Beech Street. Frequently, cars traveling on the Parkway do not stop when the light turns red, traffic backs up across the intersection preventing cars from Anawan Ave. and Beech St. from moving through the green light. Enforcement has told us that they do not have enough coverage to address this situation. The charter school has said they will monitor congestion problems. How is the school going to

monitor their students, staff and school? As a teacher for 35 years and ultimately retiring from Boston Latin School after working in many other Boston schools, I know that those who are asked to monitor these issues (often due to other things going on) do not always show up to take care of these problems. The charter school tells the community to monitor any problems. So, the community/hard working people now need to monitor this in addition to being "patient" with increased travel time? Have you studied the massive traffic/congestion on the West Roxbury Parkway including the area of the school? The traffic study that was done is ridiculous. Can there not be an independent traffic study? Can we see this study? Can there not be a discussion of available square footage per student?

Those who support the school have often told us we do not care about the students. They say "this is our school" as if we are against education and students. As a teacher in Boston for 35 years, this cannot be further from the truth. However, we also deserve the kind of community we have worked hard for. I believe they have not listened to what we are saying. Our concerns have NEVER been about the students (unless it has to do with safety). It may be "their school" but I feel this is "our community" where residents have worked hard for a good quality of life. I have lived here most of my life. People in favor of the project have from the start used unflattering and untruthful descriptions of us. Do they realize that it is people in this community that has made it the type of place they want to build their school? We have a right to make our reasons heard and understood.

Proponents of the project say they want a good education for their students. We are NOT against students. We are against the building in this specific area. We feel this is not the best location in size and square footage for this project. We have been told by architects in the area that building this project is a mistake.

We have repeatedly heard that this is "their school", one which has free tuition. It is not free tuition. It is paid for by the tax payers. Now the taxes we pay will take away from our community's quality of life that we have worked so hard for.

**Subject:** Fwd: Roxbury Prep High School  
**From:** Colin Donnelly <colin.donnelly@boston.gov>  
**To:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 2:44:42 PM GMT-05:00  
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From: **Judith Chevarley** <[jmchevarley@gmail.com](mailto:jmchevarley@gmail.com)>  
Date: Thu, Feb 21, 2019 at 1:35 PM  
Subject: Roxbury Prep High School  
To: <[brian.golden@boston.gov](mailto:brian.golden@boston.gov)>

Dear Mr. Golden:

We are writing to voice our opposition to locating Roxbury Preparatory Charter School at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Those opposed are often accused of being guilty of NIMBYism rather than having legitimate concerns. I and my neighbors who oppose locating the Roxbury Preparatory Charter School on Belgrade Ave. are not opposed to the school. We recognize that it has an excellent academic reputation with high achieving students. We would welcome this school at another larger, truly suitable location in Roslindale or West Roxbury.

A major concern is that public transportation is inadequate despite the school's claim to the contrary. The increased number of buses on Belgrade Ave. the school will require will only worsen existing traffic snarls. As anyone who lives in the area will tell you, traffic at the intersection of Belgrade Ave. and the West Roxbury Parkway is heavy at all times and horrendous over the rush hours. A traffic study gave the West Roxbury Parkway and Belgrade Ave intersection a failing grade of F.

Proponents of 361 Belgrade Ave contend that many students will take the Needham Line commuter train. True, the commuter rail stops literally at the back of the school but the Needham line does not run many trains. Currently only two trains from Forest Hills stop at Bellevue Station during the morning commute -one at 7:23am and the other at 9:24am - and during the afternoon commute there are only two trains to Forest Hills that stop at Bellevue Station - 3:10pm and 5:22pm. Equally important is that the Needham Line is notorious for performance issues with daily late and cancelled trains, especially in winter.

Another major concern is the small size of the lot, not quite an acre. Just drive by the location on Belgrade Ave. and you will see that it is too small for a school of almost 600 students and additional staff. The lot is constrained by Belgrade Ave. in the front, the commuter rail tracks and station to the rear, the West Roxbury Parkway on one side and Anawan Ave. on the other side. The lot is not large enough and there is zero room for expansion.

Joe and Judith Chevarley  
30 Clement Ave  
West Roxbury  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Kristie McElhaney <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
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**Name** Kristie McElhaney  
**Address** 297 Park Street West Roxbury 02132  
**Email** ~~noreply@123formbuilder.io~~  
**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.



**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Stephanie Pavao <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:38:47 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:38:48 AM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Stephanie Pavao  
**Address** 285 Belgrade Ave Roslindale 02131  
**Email** [REDACTED]  
**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

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I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** KEEP PUBLIC FUNDS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**From:** Barbara Gates <[REDACTED]>

**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov

**Cc:** Barbara Gates <[REDACTED]>

**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 11:19:02 AM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 11:19:05 AM GMT-05:00

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I am writing on behalf of the effort to thwart the building of a new charter high school at 361 Belgrade Ave, West Roxbury, MA. I encourage you to look at the site carefully, gather opinions from the abutters who will be affected, vet the company proposing to build and find out more about the intentions and credentials of the people behind the charter school. Too many resources have been siphoned away from the existing Boston Public School System, so much so that my job as a science teacher was dissolved for next year at the Gardner Pilot Academy. This idea to build serves only the builders and profits off the students who deserve better not by building new schools but by united efforts and resources this city has already chosen to diminish.

As a tax payer in Boston, I am tired of seeing tax money support ill-conceived projects in the name of education. ENOUGH!!!

DO NOT BUILD ANOTHER CHARTER SCHOOL. KEEP PUBLIC FUNDS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Thank you for this opportunity to voice my opinion.

Barbara Gates

[REDACTED]

**Subject:** STOP 361 Belgrade Project

**From:** Stephanie Braga <[REDACTED]>

**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov, Timothy McCarthy

<timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov>, michelle.wu@boston.gov, Annissa Essaibi-George

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george@boston.gov>, angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov, jeffrey.sanchez@mahouse.gov, mike.rush@ma

**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:37:18 AM GMT-05:00

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Good morning -

I urge you all to vote NO and stop the building of a charter school on 361 Belgrade Ave in Roslindale (current site of Clay's Auto). As both meetings were held on a Wednesday at the same time, and I have a standing commitment, I was not able to attend and be heard in person, but write to you today to oppose to this project.

As a teacher in the Newton school district it is my position that this project is not good for the students or the faculty and as a longtime resident of Boston, I know that it is not good for the community.

Furthermore, this project would take over a public street for private use.

I once again implore you to vote NO and stop this project.

Thank you,  
Stephanie Pavao

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Jamie Cerretti <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:45:38 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:45:39 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. I think it's an excellent use of a site that is currently just an eyesore, and I look forward to the energy and perspectives students will bring to the neighborhood. Frankly, I believe much of the opposition to this project is thinly veiled racism against Black and brown students in a predominantly white neighborhood.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Jamie Cerretti  
176 Poplar St Apt 1 Roslindale, MA 02131-3615  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Roxbury Preparatory Charter School - Support for Roslindale Campus

**From:** Theresa Dryden <[REDACTED]>

**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov,brian.golden@boston.gov,mayor@boston.gov,matt.omalley@boston.g

**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:05:00 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:05:12 PM GMT-05:00

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Hello Leaders,

I am writing in support of the proposal to open a campus of Roxbury Preparatory Charter School at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale.

It concerns me that some of those opposed to the project may be motivated by racial or socioeconomic bias or misunderstanding. Why did the organizers choose the slogan "Stop 361 Belgrade"? Maybe it's because they realize it would not look good to advertise "Stop the School", especially since the majority of Roxbury Prep's students are minorities - African-Americans, Latinos, immigrants, and members of other groups who have a history of limited educational opportunity in Boston. Let's make this a moment when we talk honestly together about our hopes, fears and dreams.

What qualifies me to take a stand on the controversial issue of siting Roxbury Prep in Roslindale? I connect with the various stakeholders on many levels. I'm a homeowner, a resident of the Bellevue Hill neighborhood (for almost 20 years), and a commuter. I'm a parent, an educator, and a voter (have voted in almost every election for the past 40 years). I identify as multi-racial, and most importantly, I identify as a person. If we want to improve our neighborhoods, our city and our country, we need to find ways to understand each other as people. One of the best ways to grow in understanding is to build authentic relationships by living, working and learning together. Roxbury Preparatory Charter School will create opportunities to make our community and our world a better place.

Please work to bring Roxbury Prep to Roslindale!

Thank you,

Theresa Dryden

148 Stratford Street

West Roxbury, MA 02132

[REDACTED]

**Subject:** 361 Belgrade Avenue

**From:** keith lepor <~~keith.lepor@cityofboston.com~~>

**To:** Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov,brian.golden@boston.gov,Timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov,matt.omalle

**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 8:05:42 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 8:05:54 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Sir/Madame,

I am writing to express my deep concern with regard to the proposed charter high school at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Despite all of the assurances that have been provided about this location, I have deep reservations. 361 Belgrade Avenue will undoubtedly prove greatly problematic for all of the adjoining neighborhoods despite protestations to the contrary.

I suggest that you find a location that will be more suitable for the students (and vocal parents who do not live in this neighborhood) and not inconvenience and create problems for the hard-working families who live in and call this relatively quiet and peaceful corner of Boston home.

Those of us who will be directly impacted by the noise, vehicles and pedestrian traffic would hope that this neighborhood will be left alone. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards, Keith

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Andrea Lesser-Gonzalez <alessergonzalez@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 4:25:57 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 4:25:57 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Andrea Lesser-Gonzalez  
104 Metropolitan Ave Roslindale, MA 02131-3534



**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Catherine Issa <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 2:07:05 PM GMT-05:00  
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**Name** Catherine Issa  
**Address** 122 Tyndale Street Roslindale 02131  
**Email** [REDACTED]  
**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** KATHERINE CHOUSA <chousak@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 12:42:48 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 12:42:48 PM GMT-05:00


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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
KATHERINE CHOUSA  
85 Tyndale St Roslindale, MA 02131-2325  


**Subject:** Fwd: 361 Belgrade Ave, Roxbury Prep Charter School

**From:** Judy <[REDACTED]>

**To:** mayor@boston.gov,timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov,matthew.omalley@boston.gov,Aisling.Kerr@Gass <bgass89620@aol.com>

**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 8:44:04 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 8:44:07 PM GMT-05:00

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- > Dear Mayor Walsh; Senator McCarthy; Senator O'Malley; Ms Kerr; Ms Gass:
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- > We do not support the Roxbury Prep Charter High School proposal at 361 Belgrade Ave
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- > While it is very important for Boston High School students to have a state of the art high school, this is not
- > the right location
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- > Mostly due to traffic, small space and parking
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- > And reconfiguring Anawan Ave (a residential street) for drop off and pick up
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- > All of this will create a chaotic traffic nightmare for residents to get through West Roxbury Parkway to pick up routes to work
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- > This school belongs in an area where there is plenty of room - The West Roxbury Educational Complex on VFW Parkway
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- > VFW site has ample room for all high school age students coming from many areas ie. Roslindale, West Roxbury, Hyde Park, etc
- > And it will not take money from BPS to be given to Charter Schools. Fix the public schools first!
- > There is space for science labs, basketball, soccer, track, gym, an adequate library, cafeteria, parking, community meetings, etc
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- > This school should not be squeezed into a small lot that will only serve a small amount of students and create
- > terrible traffic, blocked streets, and parking issues.
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- > We have churches on each corner of West Roxbury, with plenty of community running projects: day care, food pantry, two commuter rail
- > stops within a few blocks from each other, exercise groups, a YMCA, dance groups, music groups and so on
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- > And many of these community events do not have their own parking. The residential driveways are constantly being blocked by
- > gigantic food delivery trucks for the food bank, and people who pick up food from the food bank block our driveways and
- > even park in driveways that have no cars while they go to the food bank.
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- > There is not adequate parking for the commuter rail cars and people from all over the city who park on both sides of our residential streets
- > and even park in front of signs that say "no parking from here to corner" allowing no one to cross, or see the traffic.
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**Subject:** 361 Belgrade Ave . Roxbury Prep

**From:** Sally Stevens <[REDACTED]>

**To:** Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov,timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov,michelle.wu@boston.gov,a.e.george@

**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 3:08:21 PM GMT-05:00

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Suggestions re: the Roxbury Prep project from a neighbor who attended the 2/13 mtg.

1. Anawan Extension will present a problem. Cars will wait to pick-up students, thereby clogging the turn-around area. Parents and others may just "run into school for a moment to drop something off/pick something up", again causing back-up on Anawan. Any back-up will spill over onto Belgrade as cars wait to turn onto Anawan. A traffic cop may need to be stationed on Anawan and actually give out tickets....

Also, cars exiting Anawan Ext and trying to make a left turn onto Belgrade will cause traffic to back up on Anawan Ext. Suggestion: allow only a right-hand turn as cars exit Anawan. The traffic study estimate of 4 additional seconds delay exiting Anawan Ext seems very unrealistic.

2. Parking in the vicinity of the school should be for residents only. Signage and enforcement are critical.

3. The trash issue is important to reconsider. Wheeling trash bins to the curb has to be minutely coordinated with pick-up of the trash. Several trash bins waiting on the sidewalk will take up valuable space and hinder foot traffic.

4. Someone at the town meeting raised the issue of deliveries and the lack of a loading dock. If these deliveries occur during school entrance or exiting times OR during rush hour traffic, major congestion will result on Belgrade.

5. If 40% of the students leave at dismissal, that will involve 224 kids. Even if only 10% of these (only 22 kids) are picked up, Anawan Ext. becomes clogged and traffic is backed up onto Belgrade.

6. After school, kids (being kids) will try to beat the train and run across the tracks, if they are running late and need to catch it OR if they are just on a dare. An adult has to be posted to monitor the situation.

7. Buses taking kids to athletic practices will need to load and unload on Belgrade, as too many pickup cars will be on Anawan Ext..

In sum, several transportation issues still need to be resolved.

**Subject:** stop school project on belgrade ave  
**From:** Ourania Tsiakanikas <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** "Aisling.Kerr@Boston.gov" <Aisling.Kerr@Boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:01:26 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:01:29 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

we (Nikolaos and Ourania Tsiakanikas at 11 Montvale street) are writing you today to express our opposition for school building project on Belgrade avenue.

Reasons we are against school building on Belgrade avenue:

1. Quiet neighborhood - We live on a quiet dead end street for many years, many elderly people live on this street with no commotion and noise and we want it to continue this way. The building of the school will be very disruptive to our quiet environment.
2. Safety - living in this quiet neighborhood provides safety for the neighborhood. The building of the school will make our neighborhood very unsafe.
3. Health - in this quiet environment is very healthy for those who want peace and quiet. The building of the school will be very unhealthy in our quiet street, in addition to causing excessive stress especially with traffic on Iona street and Belgrade avenue where people driving to or from work or other places will be stressed due to school buses and students.

Therefore, I hope you take this into consideration before making final decisions, and I hope you make the right decision which is stopping the school project on Belgrade Avenue.

Thank you for your time and help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ourania Tsiakanikas  
Nikolaos Tsiakanikas  
11 Montvale Street  
Roslindale, MA 02131

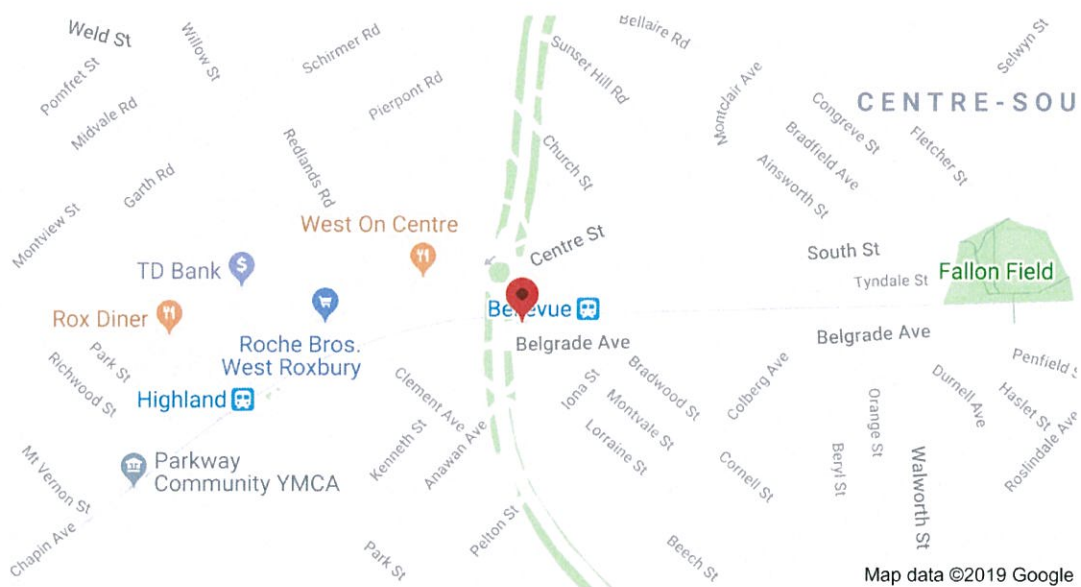
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**Subject:** Bellevue Hill Improvement Association opposition to Roxbury Prep proposal  
**From:** Ginny Gass <ggass89620@aol.com>  
**To:** ggass89620@aol.com  
**Cc:** thena@crimeatlas.com, CMcdevittj@aol.com, estonis@hotmail.com, despina@stavr.com, frederick.gillis@ampf.com, jembleton4@gmail.com, jmedowney@verizon.net, paulnevins@pnevinslaw.com, robertaconway617@gmail.com  
**Date Sent:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 10:51:24 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Wednesday, February 20, 2019 10:51:26 AM GMT-05:00

To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing on behalf of the Bellevue Hill Improvement Association, West Roxbury's largest and oldest neighborhood association, to oppose the location of Roxbury Prep Charter School proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. The Association voted more than a year ago to oppose the location.

(As an aside, when we called BPDA to let officials know that BHIA had a history with Roxbury Prep, in that three years prior to our vote to oppose they requested a meeting with our group, and subsequently called it "their first community meeting", which was a surprise to all. We wanted to be informed about the proposal's progress, as GBANA has been informed. The reply was that our group is too far "out of the area" to deserve that kind of attention.)



The red dot in the middle of the map above will remind you of the 1 acre location where Upton Partners wants to locate a charter school, complete with all components that a school requires:

Students and Staff totaling more than 650 people, five days per week  
Cars, Buses and Trains delivering those 650 folks in the morning and picking them up again in the afternoon  
Truck deliveries of mail, packages and equipment, five days a week (Try watching West Roxbury High School or the Kilmer for an hour to see what gets delivered.)  
Ambient traffic in the area by people going to Boston Paws Dog Grooming, people who live across the street, people who head to the shops further down the street and to Roslindale Square.

**And, you think additional traffic caused by a one acre school complex at the gateway to West Roxbury is a good thing?**

The proposed area is the gateway to West Roxbury and already one of gridlock almost all day, every day. To simplify the picture, you might think of Anawan Ave., WR Parkway, Belgrade Ave, and Centre St. not far away, as spokes in a traffic wheel. A school at 361 Belgrade will prevent the wheel from turning; yes, a simple way of

looking at it Upton's proposal. Simple, but also absurd.

There you have it, a simple problem to solve. Those of you who have a vote, **please vote to oppose** putting a busy school at 361 Belgrade Avenue.

Thank you for your time.

Best regards,

Ginny Belford Gass, President  
Athena Yerganian, Vice President  
June Downey, Treasurer  
George Embleton, Secretary  
Bellevue Hill Improvement Association  
PO Box 320232  
West Roxbury, MA 02132

**Subject:** OPPOSE 361 Belgrade

**From:** Catherine Stonis <[REDACTED]>

**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>

**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 9:07:20 PM GMT-05:00

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Good evening,

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>> I am writing to OPPOSE the project 361 Belgrade in West Roxbury. You would think I would be in favor-I have 3 young children and do love the idea of another school option for my kids come 9th grade. However, this is a charter school and I want my kids to continue with BPS. Additionally, this is a feeder school. Most West Roxbury and Roslindale kids that go to school in the area are in K-8 programs. So unless my kids were to leave their West Roxbury K-8 school in 6th grade-their chances of getting a spot in this school for 9th are slim at best. It'll be just another school in the immediate neighborhood that neighborhood kids cant go to.

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>> That aside, the location can NOT afford to take on a project of this scope and size. I live on Tennyson and commute to the JP VA at least once to twice per week. I take the Parkway about 735/740 AM and it is incredibly congested and the intersection through Belgrade/Parkway is always backed up. Then the Holy Name Rotary is also very congested. Coming home from JP at 430-500PM is even worse through the rotary and over to the Parkway. I also work at West Roxbury VA and was going on a home visit over toward Roslindale Square, taking Belgrade. It was about 12/1230pm on a Thursday afternoon and it took me 3 traffic lights to clear the Belgrade/Parkway intersection b/c of gridlock from cars on the Parkway. This was the middle of the day and shows there are just too many cars in an area that cannot accommodate.

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>> From what I have read, the traffic rating if the school goes in will be an F rating. The description of F rating is worrisome for myself and others that live in the neighborhood. Noise, traffic congestion, pollution from idling vehicles stuck in traffic/waiting to drop or pick up kids-will negatively impact the quality of life for area residents.

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>> And finally, people have asked what I'd rather see there-a school or condos that are popping up everywhere. Honestly, we need the housing-especially for elderly. West Roxbury has the oldest population of older adults (over 65) in all of Boston I believe. I also know that worldwide, we will see large population growth expected in those over 65 year (WHO data). I'd like to see services and development of the needs of this population of resident addressed. We should be innovative to address this growing need. I'd like to see more over 55 housing-and this is a great location for that. Create a community that would allow aging individuals to age in place, but also in a location that could maximize their life space (this area has decent side-walked areas, grocery close by, pharmacy close by, medical care close -easy for The Ride to access, entertainment/dining, bus line, commuter line).

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>> Thank you,

>> Catherine Kelly

>> Tennyson Street West Roxbury



**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Steve Ward <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 5:59:41 PM GMT-05:00  
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**Name** Steve Ward

**Address** 45 Cowing Street Boston 02132

**Email** ~~Steve.Ward@123formbuilder.io~~

**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

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**From:** Annemarie Ryan <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
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**Name** Annemarie Ryan  
**Address** 10 Anawan Terrace West Roxbury 02132  
**Email** [REDACTED]

**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

As a longtime resident and home owner in West Roxbury, only one block from this location, I believe this project would greatly harm the community. In addition, I am not the only person who is concerned for the safety of the students due to congestion from cars, buses and other types of transportation in this community.

When one invests in a home and a community, people look for many things including schooling, congestion, traffic, and ease of transportation. I attended high school in Roslindale because there was no high school in West Roxbury. Many students attend high school outside their community. While I am open to change, there is a breaking point. Look at your own homes and how you would react to the kind of change that this particular project would bring. There is also a massive amount of buildings and projects approved and others seeking approval for this area including apartments and condos. This is a busy suburban Boston area. If anything, it would be better to build apartments/condos/senior housing on this sight rather than the project that is being proposed.

We have been told that the school will also be used evenings and on weekends (which will include parents and families). The commuter rail does not run on weekends. Where will people park? I have been told by some residents, who have health issues that they are frightened that they will have to park further and further away and it will become even more difficult to get to and from their cars/homes.

We also have been told that travel will be increased by only 1-2 minutes. I feel we have been made to feel that we are selfish to complain about this issue. I can guarantee that it takes much more than 1 to 2 minutes in additional time to navigate the increased traffic even now!!! There is no such thing as an average delay!!! Proponents of the project have said that this problem is happening all over the city. Should we continue to add to this problem? Should we succumb to this thinking? We have been told to just "get over it".

Try turning left on Anawan Avenue where you will come to a six-way intersection on the West Roxbury Parkway, Anawan Avenue, and Beech Street. Frequently, cars traveling on the Parkway do not stop when the light turns red, traffic backs up across the intersection preventing cars from Anawan Ave. and Beech St. from moving through the green light.

Enforcement has told us that they do not have enough coverage to address this situation.

The school has said they will monitor congestion problems. How is the school going to monitor their students, staff and school? As a teacher for 35 years in the city of Boston, I know that those who are asked to monitor these issues (often due to other issues going on) do not always show up to take care of these problems. The school tells us to tell them if there are problems. So, the community/hard working people now need to monitor this in addition to being "patient" with increased travel time? Have you studied the massive traffic/congestion on the West Roxbury Parkway including the area of the school? The traffic study that was done is ridiculous. Can there not be an independent traffic study? Can we see this study? Can there not be a discussion of available square footage per student?

Those who support the school have often told us we do not care about the students. They say "this is our school" as if we are against education and students. As a teacher in Boston for 35 years, this cannot be further from the truth. We also deserve the kind of community we have worked hard for. I believe they have not listened to what we are saying. Our concerns have NEVER been about the students (unless it has to do with safety). It may be "their school" but I feel this is "our community" where residents have worked hard for a good quality of life. I have lived here most of my life. People in favor of the project have from the start used unflattering and untruthful descriptions of us. Do they realize that it is people in this community that has made it the type of place they want to build their school? We have a right to make our reasons heard and understood.

Proponents of the project say they want a good education for their students. We are NOT against students. We are against the building in this specific area. We feel this is not the best location in size and square footage for this project. We have been told by architects in the area that building this project is a mistake.

We have repeatedly heard that this is "their school", one which has free tuition. It is not free tuition. It is paid for by the tax payers. Now the taxes we pay will take away from our community's quality of life that we have worked so hard for.

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Elsia Salvato <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
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**Name** Elsia Salvato  
**Address** 235 Belgrade Avenue Roslindale 02131  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Roxbury Preparatory Charter H S  
**From:** Colin Donnelly <colin.donnelly@boston.gov>  
**To:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 4:53:59 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 4:54:36 PM GMT-05:00  
**Attachments:** BPDA should continue delay the 361 Charter school project.docx

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From: **Ruth H.** <[rh458@gmail.com](mailto:rh458@gmail.com)>  
Date: Tue, Feb 19, 2019 at 4:06 PM  
Subject: Roxbury Preparatory Charter H S  
To: Brian Golden, Director <[brian.golden@boston.gov](mailto:brian.golden@boston.gov)>

Hi Brian,

It was wise to extend the discussion of the Roxbury Prep Charter HS. The needs of the West Roxbury community have yet to be clarified. The West Roxbury community understands that although the proposed excellent, Roxbury Prep Charter needs a new location, developers are ignoring existent traffic problems at the gateway location of Belgrade/W R Parkway. The impact 361 will have on the community's already overwhelmed transportation problems include increased traffic particularly at peak travel times. Traffic demands impact frustrated driver decisions raising the real specter of increased concerns for safety, air pollution with idling times, and the stress toll on drivers, mostly city employees with longer travel times. These factors make the town a less desirable place to live and work.

A 2017, Northeastern study suggests narrowing Center Street incorporating a single lane, a bike lane, with a possible rapid bus lane That project will increase the traffic stress for downtown workers who will re-pattern driving toward the Belgrade/WR Parkway gateway. Any loss of Center Street parking forecasts a dismal loss for business interests since there is limited parking in the only 2 public parking lots. The long term vacancies on Center represent Dedham owners' uninterested in renting for tax reasons, not lack of interest in rental property location.

West Roxbury development proposals warrant community input. West Roxbury cannot afford to lose residents to other communities because of traffic frustration or safety concerns. West Roxbury residents should enjoy the economic advantage of local business. Our quality of life will be compromised if the healthy respect for the access needs of people who work in downtown Boston are ignored. West Roxbury has successfully incorporated residential and development projects to date.

While developers have purposed plans, their income concerns do not always reflect community needs. Developers have the obligation to meet community needs and we are obligated to

describe our needs to our representatives.

The Charter School has an admirable program but the location of the program would be far better placed at the West Roxbury High School site on the West Roxbury Parkway. The community would welcome the addition of the larger (900 student) program to this site, designed properly with fenced median, parking for buses, and fields for kids to enjoy being outdoors and feeling part of West Roxbury. This is preferable to a plan that will have a devastating effect on traffic and limit inner city kids to a city landscape. Retrospective thoughts will be too late and very costly to all concerned. Please see the attachment below.

Sincerely,  
Ruth Hartnett Guarino

The BPDA should continue to delay the 361 Charter school project. Has the BPDA requested the city of Boston, assist the charter school in locating an alternative site, a vacant city-owned school building with open green space appropriate for the development of the charter high school? Many older Boston city schools were brought up to code at great expense in areas that balanced the needs of students with traffic needs of the community. Urban students deserve open green, recreational space, and careful transportation planning for bus safety that considers our community traffic concerns. The 361 charter proposal does not offer green space or a careful transportation plan and it is unknown if it proposed an open campus.

West Roxbury streets are hyper-burdened. The community has become very over-developed and congested with vehicles. Stop signs and reduced speeds to 25 mph have not solved the traffic problems. Apps redirect hurried commercial vehicles through the neighborhoods to access Washington Street, two different Parkways, Centre Street, and Belgrade Ave, to and from downtown Boston.

How do we balance the economic development of Boston with the safe development of our community? The BPDA impacts this balance by trying to limit the discussions on development projects and not hearing the community objections that currently fail to resonate as data.

Development projects, like the 361 charter share many considered viewpoints tallied online through BPDA's portal and via other data mining resources. The 361 project is heavily reliant on data; but data aggregating sites have limitations especially that the West Roxbury community since one third residents represent the older demographic being a little less than tech savvy. This lack of representation that should be emphasized to the BPDA so that the needs assessed from community data resources may be further explored to become more reliable in representing community concerns for traffic and safety.

Boston-based site, Vision Zero offers an interactive map that logs relevant safety issues throughout the city. User-generated safety concerns are pooled, with serious EMS accident data. MBTA data has met with severe criticism that it is not reliable. It should be emphasized that T makes its data readily available to developers while not telling the community how this information is being applied, even as we are most impacted.

Project 361 has a stated a plan that incorporates commuter and bus travel, but the T offered no data on the impact to the community on vehicle locations, delays, and dwell times. West Roxbury community safety and traffic concerns are underrepresented in 361's project data set. The T and Vision Zero do not have the most reliable reference points for the Charter School project. Students would have increased need for buses, and increased need for using traffic lights for safety. Both factors negatively impact traffic flow into Boston. Since most students use the MBTA, even the use of dedicated buses would include drop offs and pick-ups,

introducing idling time and parking problems, this too would increase the already congested traffic pattern.

Many West Roxbury community members are unaware of Vision Zero as a means to initiate entries on user safety, while well aware of safety concerns that impact their lives every day. Some traffic problems are invisible, missing from Vision Zero data unless they involve an EMS report. Invisible safety concerns include speeding; running lights and signs; making illegal U-turns, racing to make a green light turn with slow pedestrians, not using signals, talking or texting, passing and cutting, traveling on the midline, crossing against oncoming traffic to make a turn into a driveways, double parking, parking on the sidewalk, etc.

Boston Transportation Department's policy site is for use by city planners. Traffic studies often show significant data gaps that dramatically affect planning so clearly data must be community generated. Development project Information should be transparent, not held as proprietary, available only to developers. While the BPDA extended its hearing times to consider community response they are still missing data that represents community needs for improved traffic conditions and safety

The planned charter high school demanded a better planned location, a safe plan with minimal impact on resident safety considerations and traffic congestion, on parking, and on the increased commuter travel time to Boston. The West Roxbury Parkway at Belgrade Ave is THE gateway to Boston. Boston is recognized as the most congested city in the country at rush hour. The 361 project would increase our existent logger-jam at Belgrade and the Parkway, extending the current one hour 10 minute ride longer, a nightmare slog into the Boston at the peak of morning traffic.

There is no best solution to traffic and safety concerns that the 361 project developer can offer our community. In the case of this charter school a more appropriate, different site is needed for this project proposal to be successful. .



**Subject:** Fwd: Fw: I wrote this for WEST ROXBURY BULLETIN-OPPOSE 361 BELGRADE AVE ROXBURY PREP-I WANT THIS PRINTED IN THE -Letter to the Editor section-SEE INFO IN EMAIL FOR FORMAT

**From:** Joyce Armstrong <joyce.armstrong@boston.gov>

**To:** Aisling Kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>

**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 2:44:58 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 2:45:10 PM GMT-05:00

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From: **tom rowley** <[tomrowleyjr@yahoo.com](mailto:tomrowleyjr@yahoo.com)>

Date: Tue, Feb 19, 2019 at 2:37 PM

Subject: Fw: I wrote this for WEST ROXBURY BULLETIN-OPPOSE 361 BELGRADE AVE ROXBURY PREP-I WANT THIS PRINTED IN THE -Letter to the Editor section-SEE INFO IN EMAIL FOR FORMAT

To: [Joyce.Armstrong@boston.gov](mailto:Joyce.Armstrong@boston.gov) <[Joyce.Armstrong@boston.gov](mailto:Joyce.Armstrong@boston.gov)>

Cc: Coppinger Edward - Rep. (HOU) <[edward.coppinger@mahouse.gov](mailto:edward.coppinger@mahouse.gov)>

On Tuesday, February 19, 2019 2:34 PM, tom rowley <[tomrowleyjr@yahoo.com](mailto:tomrowleyjr@yahoo.com)> wrote:

RE: OPPOSE 361 BELGRADE AVE- ROXBURY PREP LOCATION-I want this to be published in the 'LETTER TO THE EDITOR' section of the WEST ROXBURY BULLETIN-

Name-TOM ROWLEY,

33 CLEMENT AVE, WEST ROXBURY, (phone 617-820-8737 cell),

I am IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORHOOD 45 YEAR RESIDENT. My mother/our long-term permanent family home has lived in same house since 1971 diagonally across intersection from proposed 361 Belgrade site.

\*\*\*\*\*DO NOT PRINT/ give out my address and phone #

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\*\*\*\*\*I want ALL this BELOW printed in the WEST ROXBURY BULLETIN under "letters to the editor" section IN 1 WHOLE PARAGRAPH:\*\*\*\*\*

\* TITLE-This is in In regards to the Roxbury Prep 361 Belgrade SUPPORTERS/PROPONANTS using and making allegations the "OPPOSERS ARE RACIST AND ARE NOT FAIR-MINDED CARD":

'The supporters saying and alleging THE OPPOSERS ARE NOT FAIR-MINDED and RACIST is ALL BASED ON ASSUMPTION and NOT ON FACT and THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OR FACTS TO SUPPORT THIS CLAIM and ALLEGATION.

-There is NO OBJECTIVE, FACT-BASED EVIDENCE WHATSOEVER IN ANY WAY, SHAPE, OR MANNER (EITHER DIRECT, INDIRECT, OPEN, VEILED, etc) that can point to this and NOTHING EVIDENCE-WISE AT ALL TO CONFIRM AND SUPPORT THIS ALLEGATION AND CLAIM that THOSE WHO OPPOSE THE Roxbury Prep 361 Belgrade Ave location are not "fair-minded" and are "racist".

-From the Roxbury Prep SUPPORTER standpoint, IT'S VERY DISINGENUOUS AND MISLEADING to attempt to FURTHER THEIR AGENDA by painting those in OPPOSITION in the community with a broad brush by alleging they are not "fair-minded" and are "veiled racist" WHICH THEY MOST CERTAINLY ARE NOT!

-What's even MORE DISINGENUOUS is the fact that THE SUPPORTERS/PROPONANTS (the CORPORATE OUT-OF-STATE DEVELOPERS, PR Firm, the RP Corporation, and WHOMEVER ELSE INVOLVED IN THE SUPPORT) are using this "opposition not being fair-minded and racist card" As A WAY and a MEANS and an AVENUE TO FURTHER THEIR OWN BENEFIT AND AGENDA by attempting to get the 361 Belgrade Ave location approved VIA THIS STRATEGY.'

-I've actually heard that there are some members of the community who are of color who are charged by this AND THE SUPPORTERS USING THIS STRATEGY.

-In a way, THIS STRATEGY IS BEING USED AT THEIR EXPENSE.

-All the rich, out-of-state, corporate developers care about is getting their money to build the school and have a general, overall, disregard for the neighborhood and the community as a whole...and the negative impact it will have being built at that location. The developers could care less about the community and its members regardless of what race they are.

optional to print this:-[The Belgrade Ave area has been a diverse neighborhood of various nationalities, ethnicities, and races for well over the 40+ years I have lived in the neighborhood.

Quite a few if not all of the supporters making this "non-fair minded allegation" have only lived in the area no more than a decade or less... AND/OR who LIVE OUT OF STATE...AND/OR DO NOT LIVE in the West Roxbury/Roslindale communities AT ALL and HAVE NO RIGHT TO JUDGE THOSE WHOM THEY DO NOT KNOW ].

Thanks again and hope to hear from you soon,  
Tom Rowley

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**Subject:** Opposing 361 Belgrade.

**From:** Joanne Meegan <[REDACTED]>

**To:** Aisling.Kerr@Boston.gov

**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:56:44 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:56:47 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Ms Kerr:

i am writing to express my very strong opposition to Roxbury Prep going in at the currently proposed site. I live about half of a mile from the site and many of my neighbors and I are concerned about the negative effect such a large influx of people everyday would have on our quality of life. I also do not understand why Roxbury Prep was willing to compromise on the number of students they would be able to enroll at the currently proposed site. Seems that it would be better for this community AND potential Roxbury Prep students if the school were to find a site that could better absorb the people and traffic that a school brings with it and could accommodate as well the number of students that the school would ideally like to enroll.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Joanne Meegan

Roslindale, MA

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Jessica Chousa <jessicacwest@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:50:44 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:50:45 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Jessica Chousa  
85 Tyndale St # 2 Boston, MA 02131-2325  
jessicacwest@gmail.com

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** SHELDON LLOYD <sheldonlloyd@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:28:31 PM GMT-05:00  
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Dear Aisling Kerr,

Dear Elected Officials,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

First, I am Boston Resident and a parent of two BPS school students (4th & 7th grades). I understand the challenges navigating the Boston Public School's system. Options, choice and quality education needs to be for all Boston Residents.

Second, Roxbury Prep supports the local business economy under threat from high tech to high paying industry jobs replacing the folks who built this great city. Roxbury Prep understands buying local and has been a partner of City Fresh Foods, Inc., Roxbury, which employs 92 folks, of which 74 are (still) residents of Boston. Some of whose children attended and attend Roxbury Prep. This business partnership has also enabled City Fresh to pay a minimum wage of \$15 per hour.

Lastly, I understand the community development process, the school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body; hence reducing the opportunity to change the life of a students for parking...

Rox Prep has addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. Education is not a privilege it's a right. The community of Boston has to think as a whole to make real change, all must make sacrifices especially for the children, the future. I urge you to also think about the example this process is setting for this generation and this cohort of students.

The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
SHELDON LLOYD  
41 E Concord St Boston, MA 02118-1905  
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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Conor Dowley <conordowley@everyactioncustom.com>  
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Sincerely,  
Conor Dowley  
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**Subject:** Roxbury Preparatory Charter H S

**From:** "Ruth H." <[REDACTED]>

**To:** "Aisling Kerr, Project Manager" <Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov>

**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 11:29:39 AM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 11:29:51 AM GMT-05:00

**Attachments:** BPDA should continue delay the 361 Charter school project.docx

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Hi Aisling,

I attended the meeting last week regarding the location of the Roxbury Prep Charter School. With so many questions remaining I hope that you will read a piece I wanted to share with the BPDA regarding the project. The topic lends itself to a much wider discussion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ruth Hartnett Guarino

**Subject:** Stop 361 Belgrade Avenue Charter School Project

**From:** Elsia <[REDACTED]>

**To:** Aisling.Kerr@Boston.gov,Althea.Garrison@Boston.gov,Angelo.Scaccia@mahouse.gov,A.E.George@Boston.gov,Brian.Golden@Bost

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**361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, Massachusetts is not a location for any school.** This match box sized property is shoved into a corner of a major intersection and virtually sits on a commuter railroad track. It would be a charter school that cannot offer each student a decent sized classroom and will only have an outdoor campus consisting of a public cement sidewalk and a dangerous railroad track. This property should raise many concerns for you as an elected official of Boston. Massachusetts already has codes regulating the size of school buildings, which includes charter schools, and this property does not pass any of them. If a Boston Public School could never be established in this location neither can a charter school. There are reasons for establishing codes for teaching institutions. I find it completely stunning that this project was not stopped from the moment it was suggested! The sheer logistics of this property immediately rules it out as a potential school site. What each and every one of you need to do is visit the site and then let the surrounding community residents know that you would want your own child to attend a school in such a **"make-it-fit-no-matter-what-condition" with total disregard for logistical safety.** Locating a charter school in this lot serves only one purpose and that is to shift the school's problem from one part of the city of Boston to another while simultaneously creating issues for a whole new community. Currently in the Roslindale/West Roxbury area there is not one school that has a similar inferior property design.

I have lived on Belgrade Avenue for over 50 years. I am vehemently opposed to having a school built in this location. My neighbors living next to me and across from me all agree this is a bad idea for both the students and this community. Additionally, we do not believe a single piece of analysis that the **contracted real estate developers** for this property have to offer because it is biased and based solely on greed.

I attended the meeting February 13th meeting at the Our Lady of the Annunciation Church and I was appalled at the lack of honesty I heard from the architects and developers contracted for this project. For one thing, their sketch of the property was extremely misleading because it was not drawn to scale and this was done intentionally. As Boston officials, you should be reviewing independent studies only. **The Anawan/Belgrade Terrace area is nothing more than a "public driveway"** yet this is where the school supplies and the staffs' cars will enter for parking in an underground garage on a daily basis. According to the developer's sketch this driveway was enlarged erroneously. I find this quite disingenuous and hope you are not fooled by it. This driveway is barely long enough for four cars to enter at any given time in one direction let alone both directions. The developers admitted there would be no loading docks either. Now segue to a winter scene with snow piled up all along the way and you will have a major grid lock with cars, delivery trucks, garbage trucks, city snow plows, the traffic generated by the condo residents directly across from there and pedestrians heading to work via the commuter rail. This grid lock will just spill over onto Belgrade and the West Roxbury Parkway. We already have enough problems with traffic and parking for residents as it is on Belgrade. **If you listen closely to the real estate developers they are actually making the argument that in order to accommodate a school on this location a subpar and complicated design to include every square inch up to the surrounding sidewalks and the railway tracks are needed to do so.** Requests to the MBTA would also be made to re-establish stops and schedules. In other words, this property by its very nature has a bad design and they know it.

**And exactly why isn't the 361 Belgrade Avenue charter school project subject to a vote by the Roslindale/West Roxbury residents? I was expecting this on the last election's ballot.**

Additionally, the developers claimed at the meeting that they scaled back the number of students the school would house from over 1,000 to approximately 560. The residents of this area see this as nothing more than a ruse. The numbers I believe did not even cover the staff required to run the school such as the teachers, administrators, janitors, etc. If they were given permission to build we know that in a year or so a petition would be filed to build up the additional floors to house 1,000 students again. This project must be stopped now! The charter school's representative claimed that only 100, that is, approximately 17% of the student body, already live in the Roslindale/West Roxbury area. Great - but **what about the other 82%+ of the Roxbury Prep students?** Why were none of them at the meeting on February 13th? The location of Roxbury Prep should remain where the majority of its students reside and it should have ample space not only for classrooms but an outdoor campus as well. The school should not be positioned on a railroad track either. The commuter



fares have been increasing quite a bit over the past several years on the MBTA since Boston's public transportation services are far too stretched as it is. The 82%+ of these students will be facing the brunt of the fare costs by not having their school in a more local area.

And speaking of safety, whether it is 600 or 1,000 students, how are the emergency vehicles going to access the school? What about fire drill situations or God forbid an actual fire -- where are the students suppose to file out to stand -- should they file out to the street intersection or the train tracks? In any of the schools I have attended (both public and private) emergency vehicles were able to get onto the school property itself. And again, speaking of codes, I would be astounded if the Boston Fire Department would sanction this location for a high school! And a fire department's inspection is required. Why has this not been done yet? Why wasn't a Fire Department's representative at the meeting? Likewise, who represented the MBTA at this meeting? The 361 Belgrade lot is not sufficient for even 100 students let alone 560+.

Please review the history of the West Roxbury High School on the VFW Parkway in relation to traffic safety. The median island surrounding that school's area was not fenced off for decades. Once the high school was established there the Boston/MBTA traffic authorities found it necessary to erect chain link fences along the median island on the parkway. What was the reason for this? The reason was that **the West Roxbury High School students were not using the crosswalks nor the traffic lights to cross the VFW Parkway.** High school students were not following traffic regulations. And yes, unfortunately, this is the nature of any high school student. Now switch to the Belgrade location and we will have a similar nightmare but worse since it is a more condensed area with narrower streets and the additional peril of having a railroad track right there. In addition, a number of multi-unit condo apartments are planned on going up in the same block. The MBTA will not hesitate to erect a fence along the train track near Belgrade/Bellevue station to block that area should this school be located there. The students will then have to circle around to get to the school along with the residents in the area who use the train for commuting to work. It is certain that the pedestrian routes will be clogged and cause numerous traffic safety issues.

Secondly, you need to ask the current owner of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Mr. Clay himself, how many times the cars sitting in his used car parking lot at that intersection's corner were cracked up because they were hit by cars making left turns from the West Roxbury Parkway onto Belgrade or cars heading down Belgrade coming from Center Street that try to zip by those wanting to make a right hand turn onto the Parkway and end up on his lot -- smack dab onto the sidewalk and into his cars. Yes, this is a dangerous intersection and over the years I have seen many accidents here including those that have knocked down the traffic light poles. This makes it an ideal location for a high school-- Right?!?!?

Roslindale and West Roxbury properties are already being **over developed** as it is. The distinction for this Boston area has always been as being part of the "outer skirts" of the city and should remain as such. The beauty of Boston is that we have a city with diverse landscapes and character unique to each section. The reason why Bostonians from every corner of the city choose this area to live is because there are more open spaces than the inner city. Traffic problems from the inner city should not be directed to this area as it only solidifies transportation issues citywide for Boston including vehicles and all forms of public transportation. This is not a solution and will only spread more traffic congestion.

In the February 2019 edition of the magazine, *Boston*, there is an article discussing how several Boston colleges are on the brink of bankruptcy. Roxbury Prep officials need to investigate which of these colleges may offer a better location for their school. These properties, should they become available, are already built for a teaching institution and will have more to offer their student body. This would be so much more ideal than the Belgrade's dangerous postage-sized lot. Why should this charter school have to settle for a subpar piece of property while other Boston schools have better?

Now I ask you once again why the communities of Roslindale and West Roxbury are not allowed to have a public vote on this matter?

I thank you in advance for making the **right decision to not zone the lot at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale, MA as a property for any school.**

Respectfully,

Elsia Salvato  
235 Belgrade Avenue  
Roslindale, MA 02131

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Emily Seaman <e.a.seaman@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:16:16 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:16:16 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I wholeheartedly support Roxbury Prep's high school project in Roslindale.

I live just a few minutes away from the site on Belgrade and would be thrilled to welcome the Scholars into our community. I believe their presence will add so much vibrancy and joy and curiosity and activism and comradery. The benefits to Roslindale will be great. The downsides will be very small and very manageable. When I think about the inconvenience of increasing the length of my commute by a few minutes vs the value of welcoming such a positive group - committed to knowledge and equality and the future of our city - to our neighborhood, the choice couldn't be more clear. The students of Roxbury Prep need a home. I would be honored if they could share ours.

Something will be built at 361 Belgrade. There will never be a perfect proposal. But I think this school is as close as we will ever get. I feel truly lucky to have this opportunity to embrace Roxbury Prep the way they have embraced us.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve - that all Boston students deserve - with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Emily Seaman  
60 Cohasset St # 2 Boston, MA 02131-3013

~~seaman@everyaction.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Theresa Okokon <la.nina.tere@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 11:55:13 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 11:55:15 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Theresa Okokon  
35 Manning St # 2 Boston, MA 02131-3914



**Subject:** Fwd: 361 Belgrade Ave Roxbury Prep  
**From:** ~~missmaryk1@aol.com~~  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 9:34:46 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 9:34:49 PM GMT-05:00

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From: missmaryk1 <~~missmaryk1@aol.com~~>  
Date: Monday, February 18, 2019  
Subject: 361 Belgrade Ave Roxbury Prep  
To: aisling.kerr <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>, timothy.mccarthy <timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov>, brian.golden <brian.golden@boston.gov>, matt.omalley <matt.omalley@boston.gov>, michelle.wu <michelle.wu@boston.gov>, michael.f.flaherty <michael.f.flaherty@boston.gov>, a.e.george <a.e.george@boston.gov>, althea.garrison <althea.garrison@boston.gov>, angelo.scaccia <angelo.scaccia@mahouse.gov>, edward.coppinger <edward.coppinger@mahouse.gov>, jeffrey.sanchez <jeffrey.sanchez@mahouse.gov>, mike.rush <mike.rush@masenate.gov>  
Cc: missmaryk1 <missmaryk1@aol.com>

Good evening,.

I am writing in regards to the Roxbury Prep Charter School project at 361 Belgrade Ave. As a resident of Belgrade Ave for over fifty years oppose this project. The location is not suited for a school it is on one of the worst intersections in Roslindale and West Roxbury. There is also a commuter rail that runs behind the property that poses danger to the children.

Parking is difficult enough on Belgrade this project would add to the problem. The developers did lower the number of children to 650 from 1,000 but that doesn't take into consideration teachers, administrators, security, janitors, and kitchen staff this would add another 50 maybe more people that would be parking and not to mention parent drop offs and school buses. The developers say it is only going to be 650 children but that doesn't mean they can't expand later.

Another concern would be fire drills and God forbid a real fire happens where are they going to evacuate to there is no where to go on Belgrade! I can't see this being approved by the Fire Department.

What about water and sewer, gas, and electric capacity? Has that been taken into consideration?

Please review this project carefully it is not the right property for a school.

For more information please see [www.gbana.org](http://www.gbana.org).

Thank you for your time,  
Mary  
Mary Kneeland  
231 Belgrade Ave  
Roslindale, MA 02131

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Laura Catanzaro <Laura.catanzaro@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 9:10:55 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 9:10:56 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. This is a very good strategy in urban planning for our neighborhood. The architecture is compelling, and right-sized, and the building will become something of a landmark in our district. When an area revitalizes, of course there are growing pains involved, such as parking issues. But this type of growth is what makes a city great and a neighborhood work. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Laura Catanzaro  
130 Cornell St Roslindale, MA 02131-4526  
~~Laura.Catanzaro@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Laura Pattison <lpattison55@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 9:10:11 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 9:10:13 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

I attended the hearing last Wednesday, 2/13/19. All sides were heard, from condo abutters to students currently attending Roxbury Prep.

I understand the concerns about traffic because I frequently travel via Belgrade to the rotary or to West Roxbury Parkway via Beech St. Traffic is an unfortunate fact of life in Roslindale, West Roxbury and throughout Boston. We need to improve public transit-subway, buses and commuter rail-rather than say no to a school because of traffic.

I think that the school has made every effort to respond to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion.

The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Laura Pattison  
130 Cornell St Roslindale, MA 02131-4526

~~lpattison55@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Jarrid Meaney <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 4:34:35 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 4:34:36 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Jarrid Meaney  
**Address** 187 beech st Roslindale 02132  
**Email** [REDACTED]  
**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** Voicing my support of Roxbury Prep HS at 361 Belgrade  
**From:** Jess O'Connor <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 3:25:07 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 3:25:10 PM GMT-05:00

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Good afternoon,

I live at 171 Lagrange Street, in the neighborhood of Bellevue Hill in West Roxbury. I'm voicing my support for the proposed HS at 361 Belgrade. There are too few high quality public high school offerings in Boston, and even fewer in the West Roxbury area. I have confidence that the organization will manage the space to minimize impact on the community, and am disappointed that the public has been misled into believing that this will be a negative influence on the area.

Thank you for your time,

Jess O'Connor

Sent from my iPhone



**Subject:** Regarding 361 Belgrade Avenue  
**From:** Boyi Wong <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 1:57:29 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 1:57:40 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I'm writing to you today to express my opposition towards the proposed charter school that will be built at 361 Belgrade Avenue. As someone who lives adjacent to the plot of land, it is my concern that having a school built in that location will prove to be very difficult to the neighborhood in the future. Some of my biggest concerns include the increase of traffic in the area and the safety of both residents and students and faculty at the school. Being someone that walks around the area a lot, crossing the street, which is an act that seems so simple, is extremely hard to do with all the cars and buses that speed down Belgrade Ave. With how it is now, the addition of cars and school buses coming and going, and the addition of teachers and students walking around the area, will only make the area more hectic, unsafe, and inconvenient for people who are already dealing with this everyday chaos. I couldn't imagine the amount of vehicles and people that would crowd the area in the morning and afternoon.

I'm a student who is often coming and going as well and commuting is something I struggle with a lot, along with my mom and one of my sisters who also commute by public transit in the morning. According to the information I've received, the street I'm living on will be used as a kiss and ride where students will be dropped off in the morning and picked up in the afternoon by parents and by school buses. Sometimes it's hard to even cross to the other side of the street because cars use our street as a shortcut to speed down. My dad also drives my sister to and from school everyday and already many cars that aren't allowed to park on our street or right off our driveway or in front of our house are there anyway and makes it impossible for my dad to even get the car out of our own driveway. People who pass by our house also regularly litter on our lawn and throw thrash in our backyard and I'm not sure I feel safe with having a large amount of people in front of my house everyday. This might seem like a personal problem but this occurs to our neighbors as well.

I really hope that by expressing my concerns that there will be consideration in potentially moving the location of the charter school so that our neighborhood and its people may stay safe.

Thank you,  
BoYi Wong  
Massachusetts College of Art and Design 2020

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Aileen Montour <aileenmontour@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 1:06:14 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 1:06:15 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I have been a resident and homeowner here in Roslindale for over 20 years and I strongly support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. I live less than a mile from the proposed site and have neighbors on my street whose children are getting an excellent education at Roxbury Prep high school.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

We should be welcoming and supportive of all our students - Roslindale IS for Everyone.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Aileen Montour  
16 Liszt St Roslindale, MA 02131-4016  
~~aileenmontour@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** lorie spencer <lorspencer@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Monday, February 18, 2019 10:53:57 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Monday, February 18, 2019 10:53:58 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines.

This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I personally welcome the diversity that the school would offer to our neighborhood. I live within view of the proposed school and have been appalled by the divisive rhetoric that this project has produced. I believe the fear of other races invading the W. Roxbury Bellevue Hill and surrounding areas is the bias that has underpinned such opposition.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
lorie spencer  
77 Guernsey St Boston, MA 02131-2316

~~lorie.spencer@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Roxbury Prep  
**From:** Kathleen McKeown <kmcKeown21@gmail.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 6:06:22 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 6:06:49 PM GMT-05:00

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Hello

As a direct abutter (16 Rhoda Street) , I am against having a school in my backyard. The parcel is too small, the train station is too small. This is short term fix and doesn't seem to have any room for growth. If we had a choice, we would not have a school in this location. Roxbury Prep or other.

Thank you for your consideration.

Brian Hearn and Kathleen McKeown

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Beth Bauer <beth\_bauer@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 5:26:48 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 5:26:50 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I live in Roslindale and strongly support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in my neighborhood.

The school has worked hard to respond fully to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. Approximately 90 percent of students attending Roxbury Prep use public transportation to get to school, so concerns about traffic and sufficient parking for hundreds of vehicles are overblown.

This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. Many who attended the most recent hearing on Wednesday, Feb. 13th voiced their support for this project, citing their appreciation for quality public education and for neighborhood diversity.

Opponents of this project have been vehement and vocal but do not necessarily represent the majority. I ask you to stand up and support quality public education and neighborhood diversity by choosing to support Roxbury Prep's relocation to 361 Belgrade Ave. . I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Beth Bauer  
29 Sycamore St Roslindale, MA 02131-3647



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Owen Linders <powenlinders@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 11:25:16 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 11:25:17 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Owen Linders  
1078 South St Roslindale, MA 02131-2317



**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Barbara Sullivan <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 11:13:11 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 11:13:11 AM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Barbara Sullivan

**Address** 96 Belgrade Avenue Roslindale 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

**Subject:** 361 Belgrade Avenue  
**From:** Barbara Sullivan <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** Aisling.Kerr@Boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 10:54:20 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 10:54:23 AM GMT-05:00

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Hello,

I am writing to express my serious concerns for the proposed school to be located at 361 as a longtime resident of Belgrade Avenue.

First, I commute to work daily and have to drive through the intersection of Belgrade and West Roxbury Parkway between 7:00am and 7:30am each day. I can tell you that there is a constant backup for the morning and evening commutes with cars constantly blocking the intersection. This isn't just once or twice a week, it's everyday! The area around the Holy Name rotary is so bad that if for some reason I have to travel near that area I will find an alternate route. Washington street is even worse. I can't believe that anyone from this project has taken any time to study this and with the proposed number of students taking the T etc...this is unbelievable to me that this is a serious consideration. You will have trucks making deliveries double parking causing even more backups and traffic. The traffic on Belgrade for the evening commute is so bad now that it can take me 15-20 min from the 361 area to get to my house on the lower end of Belgrade.

Secondly, because I live near the commuter rail stop we have a serious parking problem on Belgrade, as well as some side streets. Commuters park at my house and my neighbors everyday and I've come home to no parking and having to drive around weekly. I also know from friends who take the commuter rail in West Roxbury that now that they've gone up on their parking rates they are moving down to our area to park. This also includes folks who work at Roslindale Square. They also park in our area. A car repair shop near me uses the area around my house as their personal parking lot. I've called Boston 311, Area E and local councilors and nothing. No help.

I was not able to attend the last meeting but my family member was and I find it discouraging that no city councilor from our area was there and most of the supporters of this school do not live in Roslindale.

This site cannot accommodate this school. I really hope this is reconsidered and there is another viable site. The homeowners of this area do not deserve this!

Thank you,  
Barbara Sullivan

Sent from my iPhone



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** William Young <wyoung515@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 8:40:18 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 8:40:19 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

I grew up in Westie, graduated from BLS, live two blocks from the proposed development. Commute through the Holy Name circle daily.

The current proposal is far better than the existing car lot, and would place a new public high school in Roslindale for the first time in decades. It's also preferable to the most likely alternative development—more housing.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I'm extremely disappointed that our elected officials have failed to address the merits of the issue. Concerns about traffic are unpersuasive without specific analysis of the effects of alternative development. And, of course, when traffic standards are applied only to specially disfavored projects.


Nor are concerns raised about the school's underlying program persuasive. Their instructional style will not vary significantly if they remain in their present substandard homes, or if they consolidate to digs that are appropriately heated, cooled, etc.

Nor are concerns about state reimbursement. The number of students isn't changing as a result of the location of the school's proposed building. (By all means, fix the chapter 46 formula. Don't make children suffer to do it.)

Surely you understand that if the school does not get this site, it will take another. Probaby in a less mass-transit accessible location, with greater effects on overall Boston traffic. And, of course, in a less-enfranchised part of the city. That's not fair.

To be very blunt: young affluent progressives like me will continue to vote long after the project's most vocal critics have ceased to do so. This will be a permanent factor in our voting. I'm in the city precinct with the highest voter turnout in the last election. And I intend to use that to urge policies that benefit all residents of my city.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
William Young  
47 Tyndale St Roslindale, MA 02131-2303  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** beth weinberg <weinberg.beth@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 10:15:07 PM GMT-05:00  
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Dear Aisling Kerr,

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
beth weinberg  
41 Bournedale Rd Boston, MA 02130-4601  
~~weinberg.beth@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Roxbury Prep

**From:** Glen Giovanucci <[REDACTED]>

**To:** michael.flaherty@boston.gov,matt.omalley@boston.gov,brian.golden@boston.gov,aisling.kerr@boston.gov

**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 4:03:45 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 4:03:57 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Senior Government Leaders:

The area where the plan is to put Roxbury Prep at 361 Belgrade is not a good idea. You do not want to have students there for two reasons:

1. The size of the lot
2. The traffic and speed of traffic

**Lot**

I cannot understand why we as Boston residents would want to waste money building a school on such a small lot. There would be no room for expansion and it would be a waste of the considerable funds it would take to turn it into a high school. I drive by ten locations in the city every day which would be better options because of the openness, where students have space and enjoy the safety of high school. This is a dangerous area and is always congested by train foot traffic

**Danger**

It is a dangerous area because I live close and know. The West Roxbury Parkway is an important road for commuters in an out of the city all day long. I personally have almost been hit twice crossing the intersection of the Parkway and Belgrade Ave and I worry every day when one of my kids heads in that direction to get on the train.

This is a really bad idea and I hope you decide not to allow this proposal to pass.

Thnaks

Glen Giovanucci  
17 Kenneth Street  
West Roxbury

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Mark Destler <markdestler@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 11:30:12 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 11:30:13 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

As a Boston educator (in charter and district schools since 2000), resident, and parent (my son just turned two), I am excited to have more excellent schools in the city and in my neighborhood.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Mark Destler  
35 Sherwood St # 2 Roslindale, MA 02131-3729



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Heather Upshaw <hupshaw@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
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**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 10:46:57 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Heather Upshaw  
55 Redlands Rd West Roxbury, MA 02132-1506



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** John Edgerton <john@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 10:45:51 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 10:45:51 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I'm writing to express my strong support for Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

I've been impressed by the thoroughness of their presentations. And in response to community concerns, they seriously changed the scope of the project in order to be a good neighbor.

This is how the community feedback process is supposed to work. Neighbors have concerns, and those are taken into account for the final design.

Will this cause traffic problems? At the presentation this week, a very reputable firm's study showed that this would increase my commute time—by a few seconds.

This is a good school, and top notch buildings are needed for top notch schools. This will make our community better—good schools are good for everyone.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
John Edgerton  
55 Redlands Rd West Roxbury, MA 02132-1506

~~John Edgerton~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Adam Finelli <adam@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 10:37:35 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 10:37:36 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

My name is Adam Finelli and I am a classroom paraprofessional working with 6th graders in Brookline, a resident of Tyndale street in Roslindale and a small business owner who works in media production. I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. MA.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Adam  
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Sincerely,  
Adam Finelli  
89 Tyndale St Roslindale, MA 02131-2325

~~adam@everyactioncustom.com~~

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**Subject:** Roxbury Prep High School £  
**From:** Janey Frank <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** "Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov" <Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 9:37:00 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 9:37:11 AM GMT-05:00  
**Attachments:** 361 Belgrade Avenue.docx

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Dear Ms. Kerr,  
Thank you for the work you have done at the neighborhood meetings about the Roxbury Prep High School proposal. Although I did respond, initially, by email, I have since read the entire proposal and attended the last 2 community meetings.  
The attached document, which I have forwarded to Brian Golden, as well as to a number of elected officials, outlines some of my and my neighbors' concerns.  
Thank you, again, for your professional handling of this issue.  
Sincerely,  
Janey Frank



325 Park Street  
West Roxbury, MA 02132  
February 15, 2019

Boston Planning & Development Agency  
Brian Golden, Director  
One City Hall Square  
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Director Golden:

This is in reference to the proposal to build Roxbury Prep Charter High school, at 361 Belgrade, Avenue, on the Roslindale/West Roxbury line. While I appreciate the need for Roxbury Prep to build a permanent high school, I strongly believe that the chosen site is not suitable for a project of this magnitude.

As a lifelong resident of Boston, I have resided in West Roxbury for all but 6 of my 72 years, and have owned my home since 1973. Much has changed in these 46 years, most especially, the congestion caused by significant increases of traffic. One need not be a traffic flow expert to notice the back-up of vehicles (especially at peak morning and afternoon commuting times) on the West Roxbury Parkway, between Washington and Centre Street, as well as from Putterham Circle in South Brookline to Centre Street, on LaGrange Street from the VFW Parkway to Washington Street, on Centre Street from Holy Name Circle to the VFW Parkway, as well as from Putterham Circle in South Brookline to Centre Street. There probably are equal back-ups on Belgrade Avenue, as well. The drive from my home on Park Street to access the West Roxbury Parkway, via Woodard Road, is often delayed, where I sit waiting for a considerate driver to let me in, crossing two lanes of traffic if I need to go left toward Holy Name Circle. This is true, no matter what alternate route I might try.

Much of this traffic is clearly caused by the drop-off/pick-up/pedestrian foot traffic at Holy Name School, the Lyndon School, Catholic Memorial Schools, VA Hospital, 2 day care facilities, and all the motorists looking to cut through on their way to and from work. My neighbors and I have been observing this for the past several years, and can't help but think that the Roxbury Prep project will just exacerbate an already imposing traffic situation, which will undoubtedly be magnified during the months of construction and the necessary construction vehicles, as well as once the project is completed. As the proposal states, "The Project is expected to generate approximately 262 vehicular trips on a typical school day, with 53 staff trips entering the school in the morning and exiting the school in the afternoon, and 39 vehicles completing pick-up/drop-off maneuvers during both the weekday a.m. and p.m. peak hours."

Even though the school leaders have worked earnestly to address the traffic-flow concerns, I worry for the safety of those students who decide to ignore such admonitions, and who may decide to visit the business section of Centre Street, ignoring the need to cross safely by waiting for the dense traffic to slow. Just recently, a woman was killed in West Roxbury, reportedly crossing outside of cross walks. I also know, first hand, as the one who was in charge of the buses at my school, that things very often do not go according to plan.

Please note that I, personally, attended Boston Public Schools (BPS), and my daughter is a graduate of Boston Latin School (BLS). Now retired, I taught students with severe learning and behavioral disabilities, in BPS, for 35 years. The need for quality education for all students is truly one of my personal beliefs, but the location chosen by Roxbury Prep is, in my opinion, inadequate.

Having attended inner-city schools, with no accommodations for outdoor sports, I am too familiar with the inconvenience of traveling to other locations to practice and play team sports. My daughter and her swim team had to travel from Boston Latin School to the Murphy School in Dorchester because there was no swimming pool at BLS. When West Roxbury High School was built, the students finally had a high school campus that was in line with the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Roxbury Prep deserves the same. Unfortunately, the complex that housed Urban Science Academy and West Roxbury Academy will now be razed for safety concerns.

In their proposal, the applicants cite a minimum of 5 areas for which they will need to apply for variances, and others where they anticipate they will need waivers, as well. I can't help but be dismayed by the fact that even before they develop the property, they are anticipating non-conformance to existing zoning and environmental regulations. This would set a bad precedent, should these future requests be met.

Approximately 32% of West Roxbury and about 25% of Roslindale residents are ages 55 or over. Many of them are retirees who raised their families, here, for many years. When it comes time to downsize, they would love to stay in the area, but rental and condominium property is often out of their reach. Several new housing facilities are being completed from Belgrade Avenue, to Centre and Spring Streets. The property at 361 Belgrade Avenue would much better serve the needs of the community if it were to be used for affordable housing that is close to public transportation, rather than to a facility that will have a negative impact on the quality of life because of the increased traffic, one that will serve only a small amount of neighborhood families, and one that is equal to the type of facility these students deserve.

I urge you to deny approval of this proposal

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Janey Frank

Cc: Boston Planning & Development Agency--Aisling Kerr, Project Manager

Mayor-- Martin J. Walsh

City Councilor—District 5, Timothy McCarthy

District 6, Matthew O'Malley

At Large, Michelle Wu, Annissa Essaibi-George,

Michael F. Flaherty, Althea Garrison

MA State Senator—Michael Rush

MA State Rep.—Edward Coppinger, Angelo Scaccia, Nika Elugardo

Other Supporters:

James H. Frank	James H. Frank	325 Park Street 02132
Colum A Whyte	Colum Whyte	102 Westmoor Rd 02132
Alice M. Yong	Alice M. Yong	37 Cowing St 02132
Robert P. Carroll	Robert P. Carroll	96 Marlborough Rd. 02132
Mimi Fong	M Fong	319 Park St West Rox 02132
Jane Mackenzie	Jane Mackenzie	71 Tennyson St West Rox 02132
DAVID MACKENZIE	David Mackenzie	71 Tennyson St. W. Rox 02132
Daniel Gullyher	D Gullyher	319 Park St West Rox 02132
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MARIA C. ARIAS	Maria C. Arias	334 Park St. W. Rox. 02132
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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Dave Hinchén <davehinchén@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 9:13:10 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 9:13:10 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I live in Roslindale and commute each day to West Roxbury. The traffic patterns along Centre Street there are annoying to say the least. The new school might have a bit of a hit on traffic, but probably not as bad as some opponents make it out to be. In any event, I can live with that since this school would be such a gift to WRox/Roslindale and is badly needed by the kids. I attended one of the listening/questioning sessions and was very impressed by the presenters.

Should this school not come to Belgrade, it would be a great loss to our community and to the kids who need one school. Most likely, high rise, expensive condos would come there instead and still contribute to traffic problems.

Please lobby to make this project happen. Don't listen to the angry few. Work to come up with traffic solutions which are needed anyway.

Dave Hinchén

Sincerely,  
Dave Hinchén  
31 Fairview St Roslindale, MA 02131-1627  
~~davehinchén@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Andrew Deane <deanefamily@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 4:25:47 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Saturday, February 16, 2019 4:25:49 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Andrew Deane  
17 Meredith St West Roxbury, MA 02132-2004  
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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Sarah Rocha <saraherocha@everyactioncustom.com>  
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**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 9:51:33 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 9:51:34 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. I hope you will too.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Sarah Rocha  
47 Atwill Rd West Roxbury, MA 02132-2527  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Dana Lehman <danalehman10@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 7:49:04 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 7:49:05 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Dana Lehman  
52 Kittredge St Roslindale, MA 02131-3503  
~~danalehman10@everyactioncustom.com~~



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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Tamara Simmons <simmons2583@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Tamara Simmons  
57 Currier St Mattapan, MA 02126-1362

~~simmons2583@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Nancy Horowitz <nanhorowitz@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 5:36:27 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 5:36:27 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I am writing to express my support for the construction of a new building for the Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale. I attended the public hearing Wednesday night at the Annunciation Melkite Cathedral. I was satisfied that most of the neighbors' concerns about the size of the school and the impact on traffic had been addressed and that school officials were committed to continuing to work with neighbors on remaining concerns.

While I am not generally a supporter of charter schools, Roxbury Prep is an existing school community in need of a new home. After exhaustive investigation, it's staff, students, and representatives have chosen Roslindale to be that place. Many of us who live here are committed to Roslindale being a welcoming and inclusive community. We therefore welcome the students and families of Roxbury Prep to 361 Belgrade Avenue.

Perhaps our voices have not been heard as loudly as the voices of those who oppose the school. Know that they do not speak for the many residents of Roslindale who feel strongly that all of Boston's children are our own.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Nancy Horowitz  
21 Fletcher St Roslindale, MA 02131-1915  


**Subject:** Stop 361 Belgrade in Roslindale!

**From:** Will Hu <[REDACTED]>

**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov

**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 4:22:15 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 4:22:28 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Maneger Aisling Kerr,

My name is William Hu, and I reside at 703 W Roxbury Pkwy West Roxbury MA 02132. I am writing to ask the Boston Planning & Development Agency to stop the proposed charter high school at 361 Belgrade in Roslindale becuase this project will extremely and negtively impact to the people who live in this area in many ways , including the size of the proposal, transportation, safety and general life quality and more. The facts have clearly indicated that the planners could not provided with the legitimacy on this proposal during the public comment period, and have failed to convince the neighbors living in this area.

To safeguard the neighbors who live in this area, please stop 361 Belgrade in Roslindale!

THank you,

William Hu

**Subject:** 361 Belgrade

**From:** dan wrox <[REDACTED]>

**To:** Aisling.Kerr@boston.gov

**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 4:15:09 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 4:15:19 PM GMT-05:00

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Hi Aisling,

I am writing to ask that BPDA not move forward with the Charter School at 361 Belgrade for the following reasons:

1. a high density building with over 500 people traveling to/from every day will exacerbate an already major problem at the Holy Name Rotary. Traffic backs up there to the point where Centre Street and WR Pkwy are both locked up.
2. One of the students who stood up to speak said she was looking forward to a Single location and the ability to play soccer at the school etc. yet there are no sport options within a reasonable distance.
3. I was crossing from the 361 side of the intersection across Belgrade to walk toward Washington street and there is no walk indicator after 3 light changes and me pressing the cross button. There is a walk indicator to cross WR Pkwy but then when you try to cross Belgrade to head toward Anawan, there is no cross indicator on that light either. The lights will need to be modified to support crossing indicators and add more delays/back ups. In fact the police cannot exit their parking area now due to back ups at the rotary which adds more potential problems for the local community.
4. Last, but not least, the Peak Events will result in parking on Center Street and all the other side streets, Holy Name, etc and impact what has become a very social area in WRox with West on Centre, Porter Cafe, Himalayan Restaurant, and the other smaller businesses to be negatively impacted. WRox already lost the bowling complex to the USPS building, along with associated parking cut by 50%, so another parking impact is not fair in this area. If only half the students parents showed up for Parent/Teacher night that could be as many as 300 vehicles. They would need another several floors of parking to support anything close to that.

I appreciate the challenging work you do for the city and welcome a charter high school, but not in a location that will be very problematic right from the start. As a 20+ year resident living several blocks away from the school, I hope you will take these points into account.

Best regards,

Dan Walsh

Mobile: [REDACTED]

**Subject:** A school that needs a home and the need for our neighborhood to welcome and educate all children; our future depends on it

**From:** Carol Mostow <~~carol.mostow@roslindale.org~~>

**To:** mayor@boston.gov,joseph.coppinger@boston.gov,jack.duggan@boston.gov,brian.golden@bos:Elugardo <Nika.elugardo@gmail.com>

**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 4:09:50 PM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 4:10:02 PM GMT-05:00

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I am a voter and neighbor of Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed for 361 Belgrade Ave in Roslindale and SUPPORT the amended proposal. I attended Wednesday evening's meeting regarding the reduction in building size and student numbers and other attention to neighbors' concerns. I certainly respect immediate abutters' questions but am impressed with the efforts made by the school to address them, coordinate and optimize existing public transportation, travelling against the majority of rush hour traffic, etc. As a reminder, the current lot is an abandoned car repair and tire shop; the question is not whether development will happen, it is what kind it will be.

It is essential for you to know that the group that formed to oppose this school and continues to do so represents only themselves, NOT all of our neighborhood and community and does NOT speak for the rest of us. I understand and sympathize with the discomfort that comes from some of the changes that have already come to the community including rising housing costs, traffic, etc but disagree that the solution is to prevent a public high school from moving here or that does anything to "save our community".

***I was also disappointed in our public officials and those who sent representatives to the meeting, not to hear any leadership articulating the public good. What makes a community vital?*** It is not another high priced condo building in a community without a public high school but a community that comes together to embrace our city's children and make sure everybody receives a high quality education. While my passion on this subject means I prefer public schools to funding another charter school, that is not the issue here. This charter and school already exist in crowded and inadequate facilities but filled with committed families and teens who care enough about their futures to come to the meeting and speak about what this means to them. I support all kids and families committed to getting the best possible education they can, whether it's from our public schools, parochial schools or this existing public charter school.

My parents and grandparents grew up and lived in Boston and I moved back to the area over 40 years ago. I want you and our community to do what the neighbors on my Roslindale street did when my husband and I bought and moved into our first and only house, welcoming us warmly 30 years ago. The neighbors on our street were mostly older, living alone in their homes after raising their children, and were excited to see a new family take root and raise our daughter here, recognizing the need to regenerate the vitality that they had enjoyed all their lives. Some of them had been born and raised here themselves, others had emigrated from Greece, Lebanon and elsewhere, finding a welcoming community here, and all of them were wonderful neighbors. I found the same to be true in Roslindale Square, from Lebanese Droubi Brothers, Tony the Italian butcher, Hope and Peter from the Greek fish market, to the staff from Sullivans who would ask how my daughter was after getting antibiotics, or Chris and Kim from Fornax bakery who gave her first job throughout high school. Diversity, relationships and a welcoming and inclusive community are what make Roslindale special.

Now my husband and I are the approaching the age of our original neighbors and I understand their commitment and investment in the next generation. Roslindale High School where our daughter's Parkway soccer coach attended, now houses much needed and welcome senior housing as well as provides needed community meeting space but there is no high school within our community. Million dollar condos do not maintain and renew the soul of a community the

way that a school embraced and integrated into a community does. I am delighted that many of Roxbury Prep school's families and teachers already live in the neighborhood but I welcome those who come from other parts of the city as well. I have worked across the city in most of the neighborhoods including in schools, clinics and hospitals and recognize that the future of Boston requires that all of our youth are engaged , embraced and educated to take on the responsibilities that await them , to be involved citizens, skilled ,productive and creative workers, devoted parents, and dedicated leaders who will keep our city and community great. .

**I ask for your support of this project as well as leadership that inspires us to embrace all of Boston's children and their families as our own and recognize that the future of our city depends on this. Thank you!**

Carol Mostow . Roslindale, MA

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Cathryn Cook <cathcook87@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 3:58:00 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 3:58:00 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

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The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Cathryn Cook  
46 Harriet St Brighton, MA 02135-2140

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**Subject:** 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Maureen Mccarthy <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** Aisling.Kerr@Boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 3:11:53 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 3:11:55 PM GMT-05:00

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I live off the WR Parkway near Centre St and the rotary by police station. I walk my dog daily on WR pkwy and I can tell you that the Pkwy is one long line of cars going back to vfw pkwy with cars coming from Brookline and Newton. It is unbelievable how busy that area which leads right into Belgrade Ave is at 2:00-2:30 every day with commuters. What is unbelievable is how early it starts. The proposed school is really preposterous for that area. What is wrong with the old closed west roxbury high?

Sent from my iPad



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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Julia Korn <julia.korn.112@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 2:53:29 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 2:53:30 PM GMT-05:00

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In addition, any remaining dissenters seem to believe that their morning or afternoon commute is more important than providing an education for our students. I say "our students" because every single student is ours, as the city of Boston. There is no reason that any one person's discomfort or lack of desire to listen to an extra song on the radio (Bonus!) is somehow more pressing or relevant than building a centralized, updated, and relevant school for tomorrow's leaders.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Julia Korn  
55 Devon St Apt 6 Boston, MA 02121-2738  
~~julian.korn.112@everyactioncustom.com~~

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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Christine Bortolotto <crbortolotto@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 2:28:49 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 2:28:50 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Christine Bortolotto  
10 Rhoda St West Roxbury, MA 02132-1227







**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Julian Villegas <jm5978@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 2:17:51 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 2:17:52 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Julian Villegas  
37 Walden St Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-1232  




~~SPARKJEN@EVERYACTIONCUSTOM.COM~~ =

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Jen Parks <sparkjen@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 1:44:20 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 1:44:21 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

As a 9-year Roslindale resident and parent of two elementary school students (who currently attend the BPS Charles Sumner School in Rosi Square), I wholeheartedly support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The more opportunities there are for Boston students to receive high-quality high school educations and experience those years in state of the art facilities where they can interact with all of their peers, the better. The small inconveniences that abutting neighbors seem so concerned with really feel very petty when you look at this through a wider lens, and realize that this is a project that will make Boston a better place over time.

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Jen Parks  
52 Penfield St Roslindale, MA 02131-2441

~~sparkjen@everyactioncustom.com~~

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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Jimmy Doan <jdoan87@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 12:45:19 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 12:45:20 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I am a resident of West Roxbury and live just around the bend from 361 Belgrade Ave, the site of the proposed Roxbury Prep High School. I am writing to share my full support of this project and urge you to do the same. There is nothing that this community needs more than to welcome a high-performing school into our neighborhood. The opportunity to welcome nearly 600 high performing students and teachers opens many doors for our neighborhood to be revitalized further - for empty store fronts to see new life, for children in our neighborhood to have a new home, and for new families to have another reason to be drawn to the area.

All of the positive that comes from this school far exceed concerns of traffic. As citizens of a growing city, we have to accept the fact that traffic is inevitable. Boston is no longer what it looked like 20+ years ago - we need to all accept that. The additional time it takes during our morning and afternoon commutes is significantly less important than our future, which is in the hands of the students who will attend this school and call it home. I strongly urge you to not consider the loudness of the voice from the opposers of this project but weigh heavily the more important principles of education, access, and diversity as you consider your stance on this project.

I welcome the opportunity to speak with you about this project and look forward to seeing your support of the project help contribute to it's approval.

Sincerely,  
Jimmy Doan  
419 Belgrade Ave West Roxbury, MA 02132-1548  


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**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** John vanMelle <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 12:14:28 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 12:14:28 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** John vanMelle  
**Address** 640 W Roxbury Parkway Roslindale, MA 02131  
**Email** [REDACTED]  
**Message** I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.



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**Subject:** 361 BELGRADE AVE - OPPOSITION

**From:** LYNNE TODD <[REDACTED]>

**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov,brian.golden@boston.gov,timothy.mccarthy@boston.gov,matt.omalley

**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 11:55:12 AM GMT-05:00

**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 11:55:14 AM GMT-05:00

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TO: Aisling Kerr, BPDA Project Manager, Brian Golden, BPDA Director, Martin Walsh, Mayor, Matt O'Malley, City Counselor, Tim McCarthy, City Counselor, Michelle Wu, City Counselor, Michael Flaherty, City Counselor, Anissa Essaibi- George, City Counselor, Althea Garrison, City Counselor, Angelo Scaccia, State Representative, Ed Copping, State Representative, Mike Rush, State Senator

Since the comment period on 361 Belgrade Ave is ending on 02/22/19 I am reaching out to all of you again.

This project is NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS SITE. How this has ever gotten so far is amazing and it is clear the city and our elected officials are not listening to their constituents.

Sitting in on community meetings in regards to this proposed site for Roxbury Prep it becomes more apparent that this about big business /political deals more than anything else. These meetings take time and actual community members who live in this neighborhood want their voices heard. Instead we have to sit through hours of listening to students, parents, and teachers who are not residents. That is not the point of a community meeting. I would not go to Dorchester, JP etc etc and think I should have a voice in what happens in their neighborhoods.

We had to listen to these parents, teachers, and students tell us our concerns about "traffic" and "smog" were not valid because this "is the city". Well our Mayor describes West Roxbury a bit different. Please all refer to West Roxbury cityofboston.gov. Our Mayor describes our neighborhood as "A friendly suburban community in Boston". Now residents who live here, pay HUGE taxes here, raise their families here are being demonized for wanting to preserve our suburban community in Boston.

We heard from supporters who live in other neighborhoods in the city that have multiple schools and how they "just deal with it" - the difference is these schools were already in these neighborhoods for decades - so it was the community they chose. I specifically chose the neighborhood of West Roxbury 10 yrs ago because of it's "suburban vibe with its tree lined streets and single family homes" (again... I quote cityofboston.gov).

I have had the unique experience of being a home owner and a former resident of the neighborhood of Roxbury Prep's original school on Mission Hill (0.5 miles from my house) and now I am residing in West Roxbury with this new proposed site 0.4 miles from my current home and residence. When this school came to Fisher Ave I did not oppose the school - this site is 0.5 miles from my house. It is placed on Fisher Ave - NOT A MAJOR INTERSECTION / NOT A SITE THAT CONSIDERABLY CHANGED THE NEIGHBORHOOD with congestion (pedestrian and vehicle) , traffic, "smog" (as the supporters say). So listening to supporters tell the crowd that the West Roxbury residents are not for schools or educating children -is RIDICULOUS AND LAUGHABLE. This is Massachusetts not a third world country. This is about a building project that is too big for this site. If AMAZON wanted to build there and bring 600 + people daily, it again would not be an appropriate site.

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Many of us understand Charter Schools and how they operate. While saying they are non profit does not mean that they do not make money. Every dollar that goes towards a student does not go to stockholders - kind of an adversarial relationship don't you think? This argument though is not about charter schools but rather the big business (\$\$\$\$) behind them. They have endlessly deep pockets that YOUR CONSTITUENTS don't. That's why in this county, we rely on our elected government officials to protect their constituents.

I am asking all of you to do your job and listen to your constituents and DO NOT ALLOW ROXBURY PREP TO BE BUILT ON THIS SITE. There is ALWAYS another site - we all know that. Uncommon Schools will find another place to land and will go on happily. If you allow this into our neighborhood - there is no un- ringing the bell. The residents who live here will have their neighborhood changed in a negative way forever.

Sincerely

Lynne Todd

105 Stratford Street

West Roxbury, MA 02132

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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Hannah Arlauskas <arlauskas.h@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 11:49:35 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 11:49:35 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Hannah Arlauskas  
6 Linden St South Boston, MA 02127-2949



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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** JoAnn Gifford <joanngifford@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 11:22:18 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 11:22:19 AM GMT-05:00

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Sincerely,  
JoAnn Gifford  
65 Baxter St Boston, MA 02127-2537  
~~joanngifford@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Casey Collins <caseycollins14@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:59:03 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:59:04 AM GMT-05:00

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Sincerely,  
Casey Collins  
14 Rangeley St Dorchester Center, MA 02124-5204  
~~caseycollins14@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Emily Arlauskas <arlauskas.e@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:55:04 AM GMT-05:00  
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Sincerely,  
Emily Arlauskas  
6 Linden St South Boston, MA 02127-2949



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Brooke Hilliard <brookehilliard96@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:17:01 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:17:01 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Brooke Hilliard  
16 Wendeller St South Boston, MA 02127-3532

~~brookehilliard96@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Cynthia Bates <cbates@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:16:40 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:16:41 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I want you to know that support the proposed Roxbury Prep High School project at 361 Belgrade Ave in Roslindale.

The school has been sensitive to community feedback by reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building to address two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students a consolidated campus with good access to public transportation via the commuter rail and bus lines.

I believe that Roxbury Prep will be an asset to the Parkways community and ask for your support of this project.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Bates  
1532 Centre St Apt 3 Roslindale, MA 02131-1908  




**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Amy Wyeth <amy.wyeth@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:11:34 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:11:35 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

My wife and I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. We feel that the neighborhood would benefit from a school - schools raise property values and educate children!!! And nearby residents who have a child at the school will be able to be involved in the school due to its proximity - parent involvement in a school is always a positive. Our son could be a potential student at this school (depending on when it is built).

While I have not attended hearings, I know that some residents feel that traffic is an issue of concern. My understanding is that most BPS students take the MBTA to school and are provided with a subsidized T pass so they can do this. As you know, the Bellevue commuter rail stop and at least three major bus routes go right by the proposed location. I commute regularly through this location, and find it to be pretty unremarkable as far as traffic goes, even with the commuter rail stop right there. Our understanding is also that the school has attempted to address expressed traffic concerns, by reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building

We believe that this new school will be an asset to both the students and the community and ask for your support of this project. Looking forward to hearing back from you. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Amy Wyeth and Gina Quilty

Sincerely,  
Amy Wyeth  
83 Woodard Rd West Roxbury, MA 02132-2727

~~amy.wyeth@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Marisa Gifford <marisalgifford@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:10:03 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:10:05 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Marisa Gifford  
589 Essex St Lynn, MA 01901-1027

~~marisalgifford@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Hank Layfield <hank.layfield@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:01:43 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 10:01:43 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Hank Layfield  
74 Albano St Roslindale, MA 02131-3017

~~hank.layfield@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Andrew Kerr <andrew.kerr@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 9:27:36 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 9:27:36 AM GMT-05:00

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Sincerely,  
Andrew Kerr  
81 Spring Park Ave Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-4428  
~~andrew.kerr@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Molly Robson <mollykirbyrobson@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 8:58:14 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 8:58:15 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Molly Robson  
113 Tyndale St Roslindale, MA 02131-2318

~~mollykirbyrobson@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Micayla Gifford <micayla.gifford@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 8:51:43 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 8:51:44 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Micayla Gifford  
65 Baxter St Boston, MA 02127-2537

~~micayla.gifford@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Heather Cohen <hcohen925@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 7:38:21 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 7:38:22 AM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

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Additionally, I went to the two meetings recently to hear the concerns of the community of West Roxbury and Roslindale. Most people are concerned about sitting in traffic for an extra minute or two on their commute. The traffic in this area is already bad and adding our school will not make a significant difference. I urge you to put the desperate need for a high school for our students so they can get the quality education they deserve, over an inconvenience that is barely noticeable. Our kids are the future, that is what we should be prioritizing.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Heather Cohen  
13 Highland Park Ave Roxbury, MA 02119-1438

~~hcohen925@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Rachel Stern <rachel.stern@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 7:36:39 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 7:36:40 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Rachel Stern  
16 Fuller St Brookline, MA 02446-2499  
~~rachel.stern@roxburyprep.org~~



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** PETER HOLLADAY <peterh57@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 5:15:15 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Friday, February 15, 2019 5:15:19 AM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
PETER HOLLADAY  
9 Denton Ter # 2131 Roslindale, MA 02131-4112  
~~peterh57@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Dave Santucci <santucci.dave@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 11:13:38 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 11:13:40 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Dave Santucci  
70 Sanborn Ave Apt 2 West Roxbury, MA 02132-3837

~~santucci.dave@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Jared Smith <jared.eli.smith@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 10:48:02 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 10:48:03 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Jared Smith  
1340 Commonwealth Ave Allston, MA 02134-3923  
~~jared.eli.smith@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Deanna Vasilakis <deanna.vasilakis@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 10:37:08 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 10:37:09 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

Dear Elected Officials,

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I ask for your support of this project. The students deserve it. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Deanna Vasilakis  
9 Greybirch Rd Andover, MA 01810-3270  
~~deanna.vasilakis@everyaction.com~~

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** Louis Murray <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 10:00:28 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 10:00:29 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** Louis Murray

**Address** 60 Manthorne Rd. West Roxbury 02132

**Email** ~~XXXXXXXXXX@XXXXXXXXXX~~

**Message** I will actively work against the politicians that force this project upon our neighborhood. I am among the hundreds of neighbors of 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale, who oppose the construction of a facility at 361 Belgrade Ave. that will accommodate 600+ individuals.

I support the development of this location, but in adherence to City zoning restrictions, including Article 29 of the Boston Zoning Code which pertains to land within the Greenbelt Overlay Protection District, and in conformity with the existing neighborhood's landscape. The revised proposal does not address the neighborhood's concerns, meaningfully or adequately, particularly when considering the neighboring developments already approved by the BPDA.

I agree with the consensus of the immediate impacted neighborhoods that this project is not appropriate for this location.

I appeal to you for the responsible urban planning and development of our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Lou Murray

**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** robert patten <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:51:56 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:51:57 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** robert patten

**Address** 34 Iona street Boston 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

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**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** John Kalaitzidis John Kalaitzidis <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:14:34 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:14:34 PM GMT-05:00

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**Name** John Kalaitzidis John Kalaitzidis

**Address** 148 Beech St. Roslindale 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

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**Subject:** Opposition to Roxbury Prep High School at 361 Belgrade Ave location  
**From:** John Lally <noreply@123formbuilder.io>  
**To:** "aisling.kerr@boston.gov" <aisling.kerr@boston.gov>  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:25:54 AM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:25:54 AM GMT-05:00

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**Name** John Lally

**Address** 108 Ardale Street Boston 02131

**Email** [REDACTED]

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**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Sarah Riemens <sarahriemens@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:43:54 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:43:55 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

Dear Councilors,

As a teacher, parent, and resident of Boston; I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Sarah Riemens

48 Parkton Rd Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-1706

~~sarahriemens@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Sara Colon <sara.m.colon@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:36:18 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:36:18 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

As a Roslindale homeowner and Roxbury Prep college counselor who lives about a half-mile from the hoped-for site, I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Avenue.

Our school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body as well as the square footage of the building, the facilities team and our board have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and human congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade, currently a building underutilized and going into disrepair, will give our Boston students the educational facility they deserve in which to continue building a thriving school community with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and as well as the 35, 36, 37 and 38 bus lines. This new school building will be an asset to both the students and the community, and our presence in the community will bring thriving energy and customers to local business.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Sara Colon  
41 Newburg St Roslindale, MA 02131-2806



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Karen Mejia <mejia.karen04@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:36:12 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:36:14 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Karen Mejia  
308 Fairmount Ave Hyde Park, MA 02136-3904  
~~mejia.karen04@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Sophia Baez <sbaez@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:23:50 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:23:51 PM GMT-05:00


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Sincerely,  
Sophia Baez  
101 Brent St Dorchester Center, MA 02124-2466  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Diana Starke <djstarke@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:56:00 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:56:01 PM GMT-05:00


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Dear Aisling Kerr,

As a Roslindale resident, I fully support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

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Sincerely,  
Diana Starke  
312 Poplar St Roslindale, MA 02131-4327  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** michael shor <michlshor@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:37:42 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:37:43 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I have lived in Roslindale for 36 years which by Boston standards still makes me a new comer. All three of our children attended both public and charter schools and all were fortunate enough to attend and graduate from BLS. And all have chosen to remain in the neighborhood within a 15 minute walk of center street...one is a boston fire fighter, one a nurse practitioner at childrens and the third teaches second graders at the Renaissance School in Hyde Park. Yes, by any current standard a full Boston. We were indeed fortunate that our kids did get into Latin. Had that not occurred our local affordable options would have been very limited for a non-religiously affiliated education.

I had the unpleasant opportunity to attend some of the initial meetings and found myself both ashamed and shocked at some of the very clear undercurrents that were expressed. The ugly old Boston showed up as well as those that expressed concerns about the size of the proposed student body and the parking situation. As one who commutes the rotary at 8 am I was surprised that no one seemed to address that congestion and the risk to the grade schoolers who attend every day. A bit of hypocrisy or something we have all gotten used to. The bottom line is a high school in Roslindale fills a very real gap for a community option. The support among young families in our neighborhood and from the professional educators I speak to is also quite high. There will be exceptional pressure against this school. It is my hope that as our elected leaders you will make your decision based on the city we should be and not on the provincial interests of the obstructionists.

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
michael shor  
134 Beech St Roslindale, MA 02131-2716

~~michlshor@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Haytham Khalifa <haythamkhalifa@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:24:13 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:24:14 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Haytham Khalifa  
21 Justinian Way Unit D Brighton, MA 02135-1359

~~haythamkhalifa@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Haley Goodman <haleygoodman17@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:16:22 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:16:23 PM GMT-05:00

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Sincerely,  
Haley Goodman  
21 Burnham St Somerville, MA 02144-1601





**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Neema Njakale <neemanjakale@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:14:30 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 8:14:31 PM GMT-05:00


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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Neema Njakale  
398 A Poplar St Boston, MA 02131-4648  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Edith Rees <stturtle@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 7:31:16 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 7:31:16 PM GMT-05:00


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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Edith Rees  
270 Beech St Roslindale, MA 02131-3331  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Jean Krasniw <jkrasnow9@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 7:21:39 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 7:21:40 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Jean Krasniw  
108 Pond St Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-2746  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Gladi Jackson <matosjackson36@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:58:20 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:58:21 PM GMT-05:00


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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Gladi Jackson  
620 Norwest Dr Norwood, MA 02062-1483  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Ariel Bruni <ari.ebruni@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:39:28 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:39:29 PM GMT-05:00


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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Ariel Bruni  
64 Day St Apt 1 Boston, MA 02130-1111  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Nicholas Leeke <leekenick@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:31:08 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:31:08 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. Additionally, as a first-year teacher at Roxbury Prep Dorchester Campus, I have seen the amazing staff that work in the Roxbury Prep system and the truly inspirational students that walk through our doors every day. To have our high school in two temporary locations is robbing our students of the chance to have a traditional high school experience and, as one current senior put it, the underclassmen could decidedly benefit from having the more mature and wise upperclassmen in the same building. To support this project is to support educational equity and the pursuit of a more just and robust education system in Boston. I invite you to walk into our schools at any time to see for yourself the difference Roxbury Prep can make in a community and the love and caring the staff have for the children and communities we serve.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Nicholas Leeke  
389 Cambridge St Allston, MA 02134-2042  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Randi Laufman <randilaufman@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:58:43 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:58:43 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I fully and exuberantly support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale and look forward to welcoming them to my neighborhood!!!!!!

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Randi Laufman  
52 Montvale St Roslindale, MA 02131-2752

~~randilaufman@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Lori Deane <deanefamily@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:51:47 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:51:49 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

I have attended both the January and February meeting and I am disappointed in how my fellow neighbors have reacted and responded to the school members, architect, and traffic advisor. It is frankly a disgrace. The hate, the disrespect, and the fear campaign they have fostered is truly embarrassing. Last night at the meeting they tried to paint a picture that all the elected officials are opposed to this plan. They talk about the traffic and congestion. They voice their concerns about these students "wandering around the streets of their neighborhoods" after school. I have two BPS students. Both contribute to congestion in our local neighborhoods. I, along with @ 15 other cars descend on the Wren Street neighborhood at 6:30 in the morning to send my son to BLS. At 9:15 I brave Centre Street to send my daughter to school at the Lyndon. Yes, it is crowded and congested, but it is short lived. The reality and difference for Roxbury Prep is that there won't be students driving to school. There won't be 500 kids being dropped off by mom or dad. They will be coming by bus or train. The benefits of this school for those children and our community at large so outweigh the inconveniences. The reality is if this school doesn't come to WR another condo building with cars will which will be coming in and out of Belgrade. The hateful message coming from these voices in my neighborhood is that they don't want these kids in their neighborhood. They are hiding behind traffic concerns but that is the sad truth. By you going along with them you are sending the same message. This school will be an asset to our community. The building proposal is beautiful. We will have a partner in the neighborhood we can turn to to use the gym and cafeteria space. They will bring energy and life to that otherwise dead and ugly corner. They will be a good school option for children in WR and Roslindale. I urge you to really listen to the proposal by the school and by other neighbors like me and my family who welcome this school wholeheartedly. Please!

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Lori Deane  
17 Meredith St West Roxbury, MA 02132-2004  
deanefamily@me.com



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Rukia Juma <rucky7@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:44:53 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:44:54 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Rukia Juma  
340 Centre St Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-1204



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Elizabeth Mejia <elizabet.hm.12@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:25:23 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 5:25:24 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Mejia  
101 Codman Park Roxbury, MA 02119-1305

~~elizabet.hm.12@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Marie Claude Bernard <micode76@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:49:58 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:49:58 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Marie Claude Bernard  
19 River Street Ter Apt 2 Hyde Park, MA 02136-3722



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Kayla Armando <kayla.m.armando@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:35:48 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:35:49 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

As a former teacher at Roxbury Prep, I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. I was a teacher at Roxbury Prep for many years at their Mission Hill campus. The student culture and engagement in education is vibrant there. Our students deserve the continue that great education at a high school in one location. Currently I coach the Roxbury Prep High School basketball team, and those students often say how culture feels great at one school, but not the other due to a lack of student leadership. In order for this school to create great staff and student culture it needs to be in one building. Freshman and Sophomores need upper school Seniors and Juniors to set the tone for them. I know that this school can continue being successful in one location and I know that this location should be in Roslindale. Currently Roslindale does not have a facility like this and having it replace an older cite would be amazing for the area. As a veteran working in schools I know how much a space like this can bring to a community. The Roslindale community would be able to use the large indoor spaces, like the gym, for many community events.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Kayla Armando  
16 Halifax St Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-4307  
~~XXXXXXXXXX@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Gena Mavuli <gfmavuli@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:20:44 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:20:45 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I fully and completely support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale. And you should also.

This is a fantastic opportunity for those of us raising children in Roslindale.

As a resident living nearby, I am disgusted at the opposition. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Gena Mavuli  
70 Fletcher St Roslindale, MA 02131-1918



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Robin Pelletier <fynexio1990@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:16:29 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:16:29 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

As a resident of Roslindale and a teacher in Boston Public Schools, I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I do not find the objections voiced by some neighbors to be sincere, and I do not believe that the school's existence would congest the nearby streets. I have driven at that rotary and on Belgrade at that time of day for decades. The Rolindale/West Roxbury community should welcome a diverse student body and a well performing school to their neighborhood.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Robin Pelletier  
119 B Grew Ave Roslindale, MA 02131-4678



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** David McFerrin <dmcFerrin@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:10:53 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:10:54 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,


I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

After searching for years for a permanent home, Roxbury prep found a location in Roslindale (which currently does not have a high school). The school site is sorely in need of redevelopment, and contains a car dealership and auto repair. The school will be well fitting with other recent and planned developments along Belgrade Ave.

The school has worked hard to meet community concerns about the project, reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. Roslindale deserves to have a high quality high school in the neighborhood.

Also, I will note that my family lives within the area covered by the GBANA "neighborhood association". This group does not reflect the opinion of the neighborhood, and appears to have been created solely to oppose this project.

Please support this project. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
David McFerrin  
211 Roslindale Ave # 2 Boston, MA 02131-3322  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** nicholas pieri <Nicholas.Pieri@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:06:37 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 4:06:38 PM GMT-05:00


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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep’s high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
nicholas pieri  
89 Durnell Ave Roslindale, MA 02131-2908  




**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Scott Bortolotto <scottborto@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:24:06 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:24:08 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

The City of Boston is encouraging more housing, meaning more families and students. While you may be opposed to Public Charter Schools, clearly the parents of students find the enormous benefit to them as a proven way to give their children the tools they need to succeed after high school. Roxbury Prep has the reputation to deliver just that, where so many of the BPS have failed. They need a nice new building, and the site at 361 Belgrade is just the place. I'm a direct abutter, within just a few feet of the building. I want this school in my neighborhood. Traffic has been a problem before this project was proposed, and adding a couple of cars before rush hour traffic will not add to that congestion.

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Scott Bortolotto  
10 Rhoda St West Roxbury, MA 02132-1227

~~scottborto@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Tracy Fitzpatrick <tracyfitzpatrick7@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:22:37 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:22:37 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

We don't have any affiliation with the school but do support improving educational options in Boston and think that having this school as part of our community will be beneficial to all.

We have managed the growth of apartments, housing and retail, we can certainly accommodate a school. The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion.

We hope to welcome Roxbury Prep High School as part of the Rozzie/West Roxbury community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Tracy Fitzpatrick  
68 Garnet Rd West Roxbury, MA 02132-1319  
~~tracyfitzpatrick7@everyaction.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Judith Dahn <dahn617@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:16:07 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:16:08 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Judith Dahn  
74 Wrentham St Dorchester Center, MA 02124-3828  
~~judith.dahn@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Erik Kunz <erik.kunz@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:13:11 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:13:12 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

I have reviewed the revised plan and got a sense of the work that's gone into it. I have followed this project for some time and have been relieved to see that some of the initial opposition has quieted down and that most of what I have heard has been in support of this project. Roslindale is a wonderful community with several great public schools and charter schools. Roxbury Prep will be a positive addition to the community.

I was at last night's meeting with my wife and children. It was clear to me in that room last night that the majority of people were for the project, even though the first commenter during the QA session claimed to represent the "silent majority" in the community. But I think we all know that anyone using the term "silent majority" is not talking about being silent or representing the majority, certainly not in Boston. I also didn't hear anyone in the opposition mention what's best for the kids, which is what I think we should be focused on.

Through my work at City Fresh Foods in Roxbury, I deal with Roxbury Prep and I know how hard the teams at those schools work and how dedicated they are to providing high-quality education to the kids who go there. Even though my Wife and I are very grateful that our Son has had a great experience as a young BPS-student, we support charter schools and see a stronger Boston with highly-functioning public and charter schools. I see Roxbury Prep and other charter schools doing a lot of good in the community for a lot of kids. I think that the City should be focused on supporting the best possible and most well-rounded educational experience for all school kids in Boston.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Erik Kunz  
32 Fletcher St Roslindale, MA 02131-1916

~~erik.kunz@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Wiley Cox <wiley.cox@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:00:12 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 3:00:12 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. I feel they have more than answered the concerns of the community opposing this proposal, and that complaints at this point have become just NIMBY obstructionism. We deserve a great school in our neighborhood. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Wiley Cox  
48 Bradfield Ave # 1 Roslindale, MA 02131-1934  
wiley.cox@gmail.com

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Cassandra Velazquez <cassandra\_velazquez@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:54:19 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:54:19 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I couldn't attend the meeting last night but want to restate my support for Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school talked, listened and readjusted the plans to answer community concerns. I think they have gone beyond the concerns that some members are opposing.

Please support this project! If you do not support this project, I expect you will share your concerns with me via email. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Cassandra Velazquez  
77 Augustus Ave Roslindale, MA 02131-4215  
~~cassandra\_velazquez@nobles.edu~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** David Trimmer <trimmerd@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:54:01 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:54:01 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
David Trimmer  
59 Elm St Apt 2 Charlestown, MA 02129-2421



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Bridget Trimmer <bridget.mcelduff@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:53:32 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:53:33 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Bridget Trimmer  
59 Elm St Apt 2 Charlestown, MA 02129-2421

~~bridget.mcelduff@everyactioncustom.com~~



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Vicky Seelen <seelenbeads@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:28:38 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:28:39 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Vicky Seelen  
58 Fletcher St Roslindale, MA 02131-1918



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Renee DeKona <radekona@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:26:09 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:26:10 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Renee DeKona  
603 South St Roslindale, MA 02131-1701

~~radekona@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Celdra Allen <allencm100@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:23:50 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 2:23:51 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Celdra Allen  
158 Aldrich St Roslindale, MA 02131-2753  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Rachel Young <mrachelcs@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:52:31 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:52:32 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I am a strong supporter of Roxbury Prep and I hope you are hearing from your staff who attended yesterday's hearing that there are many others in the community who feel likewise. We value education, and welcome the school. We don't believe minor traffic concerns should jeopardize the proposed Rox Prep project.

Furthermore, we feel that the school has shown itself to be an eager community partner, having made many significant revisions to the school design in response to neighbors' feedback.

Thank you for sending your representatives to the public hearings. Please listen to your constituents and support the school.

Sincerely,  
Rachel Young  
47 Tyndale St Roslindale, MA 02131-2303

~~mailto:mrachelcs@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Elana Wolkoff <enwconsult@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:46:40 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:46:41 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Elana Wolkoff  
9 Denton Ter Roslindale, MA 02131-4112



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Lisnarda Chalas <LCHALAS@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Lisnarda Chalas  
950 Canterbury St Apt 3C Roslindale, MA 02131-4753  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Elizabeth Sherva <esherva@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:38:18 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:38:19 PM GMT-05:00

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Those who are opposing this project are NIMBY's. They feel that this part of the city is their own and they shouldn't have to do anything that would benefit the City as a whole.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Sherva  
34 Hemman St Boston, MA 02131-4534  
esherva@gmail.com





**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Jeanne Reis <6010jms@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:33:28 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:33:29 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Jeanne Reis  
15 Colbert St West Roxbury, MA 02132-1239  
~~6010jms@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Sardhis Ortiz <sardhisortiz@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:32:53 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:32:54 PM GMT-05:00

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I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Sardhis Ortiz  
705 Shawmut Ave Roxbury, MA 02119-2028



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Rosemary Onofri <rosemary.onofri@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:31:59 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:32:00 PM GMT-05:00


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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

I currently work at Roxbury Prep and it is amazing to see the lives it touches. Roxbury should be welcomed in any community, but especially this one because it can give our students the safety and community vibe they deserve.

Please help build this dream for the future of Boston.

Sincerely,  
Rosemary Onofri  
15 Bennett St Brighton, MA 02135-2702  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** laurie arnone <ljarnone@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:30:14 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:30:15 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

And, I doubt there could be worse traffic with this school than a business. It would be limited to bus and pedestrians. These students will likely spend money in the local businesses. I think this idea is a win-win situation for west roxbury and roslindale, and especially for theses kids who should be able to interact with their peers in the same school/building!

Sincerely,  
laurie arnone  
52 Zeller St Roslindale, MA 02131-1411



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Eileen Duggan <familyfabs@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:28:27 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:28:27 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community.

I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Eileen Duggan  
25 Pierpont Rd West Roxbury, MA 02132-1104

~~familyfabs@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Eddie Doctor <dtdoc1@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:27:51 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:27:51 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,


I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The current Roxbury Prep High School is split in two sections of the city. Roxbury and Hyde Park.

I have lived in Roslindale for more than 25 years and have a teenager daughter currently in Roxbury Prep middle school. Who is looking forward to attending Roxbury Prep High school in her Roslindale neighborhood and getting the full high school experience.

I ask for your support of this project.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Eddie Doctor  
30 Starbird Ave Roslindale, MA 02131-3137  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Erin Doherty <erinrdoherty@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:27:46 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:27:46 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I support Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

After searching for years for a permanent home, Roxbury prep found a location in Roslindale (which currently does not have a high school). The school site is sorely in need of redevelopment, and contains a car dealership and auto repair. The school will be well fitting with other recent and planned developments along Belgrade Ave.

The school has worked hard to meet community concerns about the project, reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building. The location at 361 Belgrade will give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will be an asset to both the students and the community. Roslindale deserves to have a high quality high school in the neighborhood.

Also, I will note that I live within the area covered by the GBANA "neighborhood association". This group does not reflect the opinion of the neighborhood, and appears to have been created solely to oppose this project. They should not be viewed as speaking for the neighborhood.

Please support this project. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Erin Doherty  
211 Roslindale Ave Roslindale, MA 02131-3322  


**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Todd Wyner <tewyner@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:23:54 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:23:54 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

I OPPOSE Roxbury Prep's high school project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

The school has NOT gone above and beyond responding to community feedback. By reducing the size of the student body and square footage of the building, they have addressed two of the most common concerns about this project—size and congestion INADEQUATELY. The location at 361 Belgrade will NOT give these students the facility they deserve with easy transportation access via the Commuter Rail and multiple bus lines. This new school will NOT be an asset to both the students and the community.

This project is a tragedy waiting to happen. May he rest in peace, teenager Nick Scaringello from this neighborhood of Roslindale, died tragically late one weekday afternoon in June 2008. HE WAS THE VICTIM OF A TRAIN IMPACT WHILE WALKING THE TRACKS WITH HIS HEADPHONES ON. He never heard the train coming. I witnessed his remains that day at the Belleview train station. Never again, I implore you. You cannot continue to push more residents, commuters, and businesses with addressing fundamental environmental issues: 1. An open, unguarded train crossing 2. A bridge repair (West Roxbury Parkway at Belgrade Avenue) that is dragging on with little-to-no communication to the neighborhood residents.

I ask for your REJECTION of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Todd Wyner  
18 Allenwood St West Roxbury, MA 02132-2048  




**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Katina Tsongas <ktsongas@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:18:07 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:18:09 PM GMT-05:00

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Dear Aisling Kerr,

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Katina Tsongas  
57 Hewlett St Boston, MA 02131-1509



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Amanda Lukens <amanda.lukens@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:18:02 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:18:03 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Amanda Lukens  
53 Westbourne St Roslindale, MA 02131-3326

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Luke Sutherland <ljsutherland@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:17:25 PM GMT-05:00  
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I have been impressed with the thought and attention given to responding to community concerns. I ask for your support of this project so that I can welcome Roxbury Prep High School to the Roslindale and West Roxbury community. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Luke Sutherland  
419 Belgrade Ave Unit 2 West Roxbury, MA 02132-1548  
~~lsutherland@gmail.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Elizabeth Shinzawa <elizabethshinzawa@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:17:24 PM GMT-05:00  
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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Shinzawa  
47 Bradwood St Roslindale, MA 02131-2721

~~elizabethshinzawa@everyactioncustom.com~~

**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** Xiomara Calderon <xiomara Calderon2007@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:15:23 PM GMT-05:00  
**Date Received:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:15:23 PM GMT-05:00

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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Xiomara Calderon  
76 Radcliffe Rd Hyde Park, MA 02136-6022



**Subject:** Support for the Roxbury Prep High School project proposed at 361 Belgrade Ave  
**From:** David Holzman <DaveyTClown@everyactioncustom.com>  
**To:** aisling.kerr@boston.gov  
**Date Sent:** Thursday, February 14, 2019 1:11:25 PM GMT-05:00  
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I ask for your support of this project. I hope to hear a reply from your office soon. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
David Holzman  
603 South St Apt 1 Roslindale, MA 02131-1701  
~~DaveyTClown@comcast.net~~