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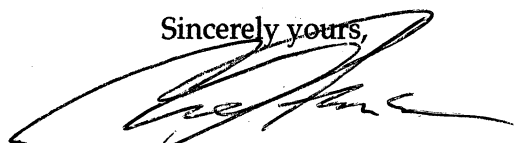
To Whom It May Concern:

Realizing that you have been discussing the conditions surrounding the Fresh Pond Apartments, I am sending you this copy of a letter that I have posted to the apartment complex management.

Additionally, though they are located in a C-2 zone and are exepct from the letter zoning ordinance 7.20, it would be nice if they would adhere to the spirit of the residential zone lighting requirement.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Sincerely yours,



Mike Hansen

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Fresh Pond Apartments
Attn.: Manager
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To Whom It May Concern:

As a resident of North Cambridge, I frequently drive by your apartments and use the theaters and shops adjacent to them. With the return of shorter days, I have noticed a great deal of intrusive lighting coming from flood lights mounted for the purpose of illuminating the parking lots.

The lights I refer to are those attached at about the 4th floor level of the rear two buildings and on poles in and around the parking lots. None of them are angled to give maximum illumination to the lots. Many are angled to waste most of their light above the horizontal where it is perceived as glare to drivers and pedestrians, light trespass to neighbors, and light pollution to those seeking to enjoy the evening sky from the nearby park.

Would you please correct this situation by either reaiming the lights straight down or properly shielding them so that no light escapes your property or upwards? I believe that if you were to do this you would not only improve the appearance of the property but could eliminate some of the luminaires entirely and save both power and money.

While I hesitate to make the comparison, not even prisons mount lights the way these are. The glare that is in one's eyes approaching the buildings makes it difficult to see the details of people approaching you. All current professional lighting engineering guidelines call for full cutoff fixtures in your type of application.

Thank you for considering my concerns and request.

Sincerely yours,

Mike Hansen

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Communication #3

A communication was received from Mike Hansen, regarding the conditions surrounding the Fresh Pond Apartments.

In City Council January 14, 2002

*Referred to the
City Manager*