

Dear Mr. Foley

I am writing in regards to the proposed renovation of the Oyster Bar restaurant. DRI596.

I have been a summer resident of Oak Bluffs in the MVCMA "campgrounds" for over 35 years. Our house is in close proximity to Circuit Avenue. The noise from Circuit Avenue has been increasing with each year and with each opening of a new commercial building closer to Fiske and Bayliss Avenue. The proposed addition of function halls and apartments at the Oyster Bar restaurant will only add to the parking problems on Circuit Avenue, the "after hours" noise issues, the need for additional police officers in that area, as well as other municipal issues. The outdoor deck is particularly distressing to me. The noise will most definitely travel to all the cottages where families reside. I assume that this outdoor deck will be used at night. As a parent of young children, I am concerned that the additional "function" patrons will increase the noise after 9 pm when many families are at home with their children asleep. I believe that the additional patrons will also seek parking within the MVCMA and park in designated parking spots throughout the campgrounds. I can also imagine that with the additional capacity, the kitchen space will increase. This will require more or larger exhaust fans. Already the exhaust fans can be heard throughout the night along with the smell s of t he kitchen. I am concerned with the overall impact to safety and quality of life that this project will cause.

Please do not approve the proposed expansion / renovation of the Oyster Bar restaurant and keep the character of our neighborhood intact.

Sincerely,  
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