

Mill Plaza Development Speech

*was shown in the plans

Hello, my name is Julia Ruml and I live at 7 Thomson Lane. I go to Oyster River Middle School. Most days my friends and I walk through the Mill Plaza. Our parents wouldn't want us to walk through the Plaza if it was full of student housing and parking garages. I wouldn't want to walk through it.

Many people, including me, enjoy the picnic table spot by the Works. We would definitely value it more than the 2 story commercial building that ~~the DeStepano Architects suggested~~. We live here and we want to enjoy the Plaza. How could we enjoy a commercial area filled with parking garages?

We could make our town better by having a restaurant and an ice cream place in the Mill Plaza. My friends and I loved the Kalidescoop and we all want an Ice cream store. Kids at ORMS also love shopping and bring money. We could have a Dollar Store which would attract lots of buissness. Also, kids need fresh air and everyone would like a park and a nice path for pedestrians, not lined with parking garages and commercial buildings.

I feel that the way to make Durham a better place is through parks instead of parking garages, and small Dollar Stores instead of huge commercial ~~buildings~~ buildings. Thank you.

RECEIVED
Town of Durham

FEB 10 2016

Planning, Assessing
and Zoning