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### Climate change and Preservation

We are a little town but we can have big impact in how we approach this. A lot of us are pretty good about limiting our footprint individually but then large construction projects send all that out the window. I learned a lot about our dump capacity and solution suggestions in our discussion group and it would not hurt for a representative from every building and architectural firm to be required to attend a learning session yearly. That probably is not going to happen but one can dream.

I also don't think the county and city set a good example by building massive new office buildings in town. Very contradictory to what government purports to be concerned about. We could have built a whole complex out at the BMC property. The traffic could have been mitigated and everyone could do their government business in one place. Now a lot of city and county employees who commute drive and park a car all day in town and then we complain about too many cars and no parking. That ship has sailed....

The point is WALK THE WALK.

### APCHA and HOUSING

It's hard to imagine where everyone is going to live and I do see a need for workers to commute less. I was surprised to learn that our housing inventory wasn't even computerized until just now. Personally, I think too many people are abusing the system and hopefully we are now seeing more oversight. Again, I think it's great if we can have more EDUCATION as we are all in this together after all. Will cracking down on the rules actually free up more housing? I do like the combo of private/public projects that are happening now. Do we know how that will look in years to come? It would seem to me that given we need a young workforce rental housing is more important than purchasing.

My hope is that we adopt a more "European" urban lifestyle of "more is not better". I'd like to see us look at examples of living where people have had to figure it out. Where are community models working in the world? How well can private and public enterprises be more the norm?