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Duncan Berry, Chair  
Planning Board  
Town of Harwich  
732 Main St.  
Harwich, MA 02645

Re: Request for Special Permit from Karen and George  
Oliver of Oliver Homes, LLC, through their agent, Kent Drushella


Dear Mr. Berry,

I am writing regarding the special permit for a two-family dwelling being requested by Karen and George Oliver.

I appreciate Mr. Oliver's note accompanying his application indicating that he has no intention of renting the proposed dwelling as it would be used by his family. However my concern is that at some point the Olivers would decide to sell the property. A seven bedroom (plus a loft and a study that could be used as bedrooms), eight bathroom property with swimming pool, playground, outdoor kitchen/pavilion and fire pit would be quite desirable for an investor to purchase for use for short term rentals. This would have a detrimental effect on the neighborhood particularly with heavy use of the alternate access on Grassy Pond Road.

I respectfully ask you to deny the special permit.

Sincerely,

  
Patti Smith