

**From:** [James Baumgartner](#)  
**To:** [Thompson, Alexis](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment in Opposition to Use Variance for Narragansett Improvement Co. (Applicant) and Cumberland Farms, Inc. (Owner) at 338 Allens Avenue  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 12, 2021 3:33:03 PM

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Dear City of Providence Zoning Board of Review,

My name is James Baumgartner and I live in Providence. I am submitting comments in opposition to Narragansett Improvement Co. and Cumberland Farms, Inc.'s application for use variance pursuant to Sections 900.B., 901, and 1200.B. of the Providence Zoning Ordinance, to use the property for non-waterfront dependent Materials Processing and storage of concrete, stone, aggregate and asphalt.

Narragansett Improvement Co. has been polluting on Allen's Avenue illegally for years. The City of Providence should not reward that action by making this pollution legal. South Providence and Washington Park have born the brunt of this pollution for years, exacerbating health issues for those residents with respiratory illnesses like asthma.

Allowing and sanctioning this pollution is inconsistent with Providence's Climate Justice Plan, which supports a vibrant, green Port of Providence that benefits all of its local residents.

I urge the City of Providence Zoning Board of Review to turn down the application for use variance and require the applicants to stop their pollution and clean up their dumping ground.

Sincerely  
-James Baumgartner  
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