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March 31, 2026

Town of Andover Planning Board  
36 Bartlet Street  
Andover, MA 01810

**Re: The Commons at River Road**

Dear Members of the Andover Planning Board:

MeVa Transit was pleased to meet with Ian Gasco-Wiggin with John M Corcoran and Co. last week regarding the proposed project at 100 River Road. We had met Ian and his team during the Transit Oriented Development bus tour facilitated by the Planning & Economic Development Office. We greatly appreciate when prospective developers work with MeVa early in the process to ensure that transit access is built into the project, rather than being an afterthought.

The proposed site has many advantages for transit—it currently sits on the route of our #7 bus which travels on Old River Road and Campanelli Drive. We recognize the importance of adding density and mixed uses along transit lines as a mutually supportive way to sustainably support transit use and desired vitality and economic growth.

We were particularly encouraged that their team was proactive in asking how they can assist MeVa, both financially and by building transit-supportive infrastructure and amenities into the project. In particular, we discussed opportunities for the project to support MeVa through our burgeoning On the Route/En La Ruta program, which seeks financial and cross promotional support from local business that benefit from public transit, the potential to build a bus pull-in lane into the project, installing bus shelters and other amenities at stops, and potentially funding later evening service and Sunday service for the #7.

We appreciate being included early in the planning process for this project, and welcome working with the proposed developer to make the site a successful example of a transit-supportive development that would be of great benefit to the town.

Sincerely,  
MeVa Transit

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Noah S. Berger', is written over a faint, light blue circular stamp or watermark.

Noah S. Berger  
Administrator