

...man of the Board of Se-
tmen. She said residences
ould replace a motel that no
ger fully functions.

Maryann McCall-Taylor, the
ning Board director, said
of the five Planning Board
bers support the plan. The
plan calls for a simplified fa-
and is pulled back from the
e. Some of the concern, she
esulted from the height of
lding.

currently only allow two
n the central business dis-
e said. The original plan
four-story design.

ro and developers have
lified the plan and elim-
top floor. The building
35 feet tall, or 14 feet
n the cur...

...moved around
the corner to Waltham Street to
create an unobstructed façade on
Massachusetts Avenue.

To bolster support for his plan,
Shapiro recently sent out a DVD
to Town Meeting members in
which local business leaders and
residents voiced their support for
the project.

Among them is state Repre-
sentative Jay Kaufman, a Lexing-
ton Democrat who said on the
DVD that such a project would
breathe new life into the down-
town.

Calling the Battle Green Inn
an "eyesore," he said, "the only
reason to object is if you don't like
change."

In Kaufman's view, the devel-
opment embraces the nei-
of a...

...man said.
Kathy Fields,
Crafty Yankee an
gences stores in Le
agreed. Participati
presentation, she s
residents would ke
cleaner because th
more pride in its ap

During spring T
the issue prompted
members to speak fo
the project.

Since then, a livel
continued among To
members during mee
e-mail. Opponents a
that the potential h
condos would drive a
families from settling
ton. Members have
concern t