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## MEMORANDUM

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Town of Durham

To: Michael Behrendt, Town Planner

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From: Dave Kurz, Chief of Police 

Planning, Assessing,  
Zoning & Code Enforcement

Re: 49/51 Main Street – Pauly's Pockets

I have reviewed the proposed plan for the new construction of a three story building comprised of commercial and student apartments on the property currently housing Pauly's Pockets and Hair Excitement and have the following comments:

- It is imperative that the applicant understand that there is no overnight parking for any potential apartment renters on any adjacent streets or property owned and/or controlled by the Town of Durham. This fact should be clear to all apartment renters preferably via a lease agreement. However, there is the opportunity to purchase annual business permits for those associated with the commercial enterprises on the ground floor of the proposed structure. This will enable employees to park at several satellite locations reserving the closest parking for customers.
- Any construction that will result in the closure and/or blockage of the traffic lane will require at least one traffic control officer retained through the Durham Police Department with minimum notice of one-week to the agency.
- The Durham Police are opposed to any construction that would cause any lane closure during the period of the last week in August through Labor Day weekend or any days that would coincide with UNH "move-in".
- The Durham Police would suggest that all apartment numbers be prominently displayed and developed so that police personnel can easily and quickly locate units, i.e. 2A for unit A on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and 3C for unit C on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Any such configuration clearly delineating floors is imperative.
- Video monitoring in any interior common stairwells or hallways would be helpful for theft prevention, resident safety as well as enhancing the police department's ability to resolve criminal acts.

- Hardware should feature window locks, dead bolts for doors, interior door hinges and well lit interior corridors. All common building entrances should have locks that automatically catch when the door closes.
- The Durham Police would recommend that any lease agreement prohibit the possession of beer kegs in any rental units.

The Durham Police support the construction of well managed student apartment dwellings. In addition, this is an appropriate location due to the proximity of other student dwellings, distance away from residential neighborhoods with fewer residents to disturb and in an area of the downtown where late night activity is prevalent. As I have maintained on a regular basis, the Durham Police continually strive to meet the demands of its citizens while remaining fiscally responsible. It is our belief that a sound and well structured and conceived planning process in these matters can not be understated. The end result of this process equates to diminished demands for governmental monitoring by police, fire and code enforcement.