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Mr. Peter Wolfe  
Chair, Durham Planning Board  
6 Riverview Road  
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Dear Peter:

At last night's Town Council meeting, the Council reviewed proposed changes introduced by Council member Jim Lawson to Chapter 175 "Zoning" of the Durham Town Code to Section 175-52 "Use Standards" to change the Table of Land Uses such that the Residential Uses of Single Family, Duplex and Multi-Unit are changed from Conditional Use to Not Permitted in the ORLI and MUDOR districts, and the Commercial & Industrial Use of Mixed Use with Residential is changed from Conditional Use to Not Permitted in the MUDOR district.

After holding a discussion concerning these proposed changes, the Council voted to refer the proposed Council-initiated zoning changes to the Durham Planning Board for its review and study in accordance with Section 175-14 of the Durham Zoning Ordinance.

Attached is a draft ordinance that includes the proposed language changes to the Zoning Ordinance as well as the Council Communication that was provided to the Town Council explaining the rationale for these changes. The Durham Town Council requests that this item be placed on the Planning Board's January 15, 2014 agenda under "other business" and that the Planning Board provide its recommendations to the Town Council after it has completed its appropriate review and study.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have further questions in regard to this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
Jay B. Gooze, Chair  
Durham Town Council

Enclosures

C: Michael Behrendt, Director of Planning & Community Development  
Richard Kelley, Vice Chair, Durham Planning Board