

Karen Edwards

From: Michael Behrendt
Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2022 12:53 PM
To: Karen Edwards; Scott Letourneau; Karen Letourneau; Mike Sievert
Subject: Fwd: Tideline Public House - Traffic Safety Committee Memo and Recommendations - email from Scott Letourneau

Karen, please share this email with the Planning Board. Thanks.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Elisa P." <epainten@gmail.com>
Date: July 13, 2022 at 12:10:16 PM EDT
To: Michael Behrendt <mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us>, Bill Matson <datadriveninvestor@gmail.com>
Subject: **Re: Tideline Public House - Traffic Safety Committee Memo and Recommendations - email from Scott Letourneau**

Hi Michael,

We are not certain we will be able to attend tonight's meeting, so we wanted to share our response to Scott & Karen Letourneau's proposal re: the 9 parking spots on Schoolhouse Lane.

We have some questions as to how enforceable this plan would be, and it's not clear to us if the proposal should be interpreted as restricted parking on Schoolhouse during daytime only hours or not. But assuming issues around the enforceability are addressed and that the proposal includes restricted parking at nighttime, we have no objection to this proposal. We think this would help reduce the flow of traffic forced to use the turn lot in our yard near the one-way; therefore it would help reduce the intrusion on our privacy and helps to reduce the hazards posed by frequent turning in the lot; presumably, partial restriction to Town of Durham employees would also

reduce the number of drivers using the lot who have consumed alcohol. It sounds like it might be beneficial to the developers as well to have more control over their lot.

Should this proposal not be possible, however, we would like to mention that we do not agree that the removal of the 9 spots is an "extreme reaction to the concerns of one citizen." On the contrary, we are uniquely positioned to highlight the safety concerns posed by increased traffic and the use of the turn lot. The majority of the homes on the street are rented to students; while they may not be owners, their safety deserves full consideration. We are confident that their parents would agree that a significant increase in traffic and use of the turn lot increases the possibility of accidents on Schoolhouse Lane, and that the town of Durham has a responsibility to prioritize their safety in every way possible.

Further, it is not true that the developer was unaware of this issue; Elisa brought these safety concerns to the attention of Scott Letourneau in April. Scott seemed amenable to addressing the situation. Our concerns were amplified when we saw that the proposed plan did not include adequate parking and would therefore force more traffic to the area of concern.

Kind regards,
Bill & Elisa