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**Modification to Approved Project**

**Durham, New Hampshire**

Project name           Tideline Public House

Property Address    15 Newmarket Road    Map and Lot # Map 108, Lot 69

Type of project: Site Plan X; Subdivision \_\_\_\_; Lot Line Adjustment \_\_\_\_; Other \_\_\_\_

Date of original Planning Board approval    July 27, 2022

Description of modification    Request approval for shipping container pizza unit

Reason for modification    Please see attached narrative and photographs

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Name of applicant or agent filling out this form: Scott Letourneau

Applicant? X   Agent? \_\_\_\_\_   Today's date 8/25/2022

Please note: Modifications are considered to not have significant impact upon abutters nor the general public so no notification nor public hearing is required. Notifications that are straightforward are reviewed by the Town Planner (as "Administrative Modifications"). Modifications that are not as straightforward are presented to the Planning Board. Proposed changes that are construed to potentially have a significant impact are reviewed as amendments, which require public notices and notices to abutters. When a modification is presented to the board, the board may determine that the request should be treated as an amendment, at its option. The applicant must submit any supplementary materials necessary to explain and support the modification, such as a narrative and plans.

----- *Office use below* -----

Amendment approved \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment denied \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Planning Board action \_\_\_\_\_

Conditions \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Stone Oven Catering has been in business since 2010. <https://stoneovencatering.com/> He is a very seasoned food service professional, and has a catering pizza trailer that he tows to events, but it is not usable in the winter.

Two years ago, he built out an 8' x 20' shipping container into a pizza production unit and had it fully insulated and has used it continuously on the campus of Phillips Exeter Academy throughout the school year. It is in fact easily movable, although it is not on wheels and not a registered vehicle. It can be brought in or taken away in about 20 minutes on a flatbed trailer.

It is very tastefully done, and has a solid, dark color that we feel will fit in well in the Historic District with our basic black and white color scheme. It will not have a substantially different appearance from the other trucks and trailers on site, and it is of the same size and scale as the trucks and trailers that are already planning to take up residence at Tideline. Furthermore, it has been welcomed on the campus of one of the most prestigious prep schools in the nation, and is within sight of the Dean's office.

Converting container units into food or retail sites is becoming increasingly popular, and there are even entire pods of shipping container food units in places like Nashville and Kansas City. Boston Harbor has also permitted shipping container retail businesses and food units.

This is the only vendor that we have spoken with who has this type of operation. We are considering it mainly because he is a local professional, his pizza is very good and very popular, AND because he is one of the few mobile food unit vendors that has experience operating through the winter.

If anyone would like to go see it in person, the pizza unit is operational and just off of Tan Lane in Exeter (Map Attached).

Attached are two pictures of the pizza unit and a few other examples of tastefully done shipping container businesses, as well as the map.

Thank you for your consideration.







