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## Re: Portland House of Pizza contact

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Tue, Apr 11, 2017 at 4:49 PM

To: Michael Orr <morr1@maine.rr.com>

Cc: "DiPierro, Philip" <pd@portlandmaine.gov>

Hello Michael

My apologies for the delay in this reply.

I completely understand your concern and the traffic engineer reviewer did look at these issues during the review.

You will see from the attached approval letter that there is a need for the owner to undertake a monitoring study 12 months after they open, and you are welcome to give us information too.

In the meantime, Phil diPierro of our office will be inspecting the project re site plan issues before it opens, and if there are any concerns before it opens please let him know.

I hope that the Taco Bell turns out to be a good neighbor.

thank you  
Jean

On Thu, Apr 6, 2017 at 11:53 AM, Michael Orr <[morr1@maine.rr.com](mailto:morr1@maine.rr.com)> wrote:

Hi Jean, Just wanted to reconnect and keep our line of communication open concerning the new Taco Bell on Washington Ave. Next door to my business Portland House of Pizza. To reiterate my main concerns about this property are from a traffic flow and parking standpoint. I'm not sure that the parking lot size , drive through layout and exit and enter are appropriate for the level of business anticipated by Taco Bell. What would happen if my fears become a reality? Back up of drive through line which would impede cars parking in slots and/ or being able to leave. Slots for cars filling so quickly that there will cause congestion and overflow to our business lot. Cars trying to turn left will have such a long wait at the exit that traffic inside the Taco Bell lot will get backed up even more. More accidents will occur because of cars trying to turn left through 3 lanes of cars. As I said on my voicemail we are prepared to assess and document what does take place. One thing I'll make very clear and we should all

agree on. Taco Bell should not interfere with our customers, our business, our parking, or our traffic flow. It would be unfair, immoral and possibly illegal to do otherwise. We have been an upstanding part of the North Deering community for almost 30 years and it would be extremely unjust to disrupt that relationship. We will be taking videos, pictures, documentation and dates to support any claims. Feel free to forward this e-mail to any parties that might want to have knowledge of how these issues in North Deering and be able to take action if necessary. Thank you. Regards, Michael Orr (Owner Portland House of Pizza)

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