

**From:** [Michael Behrendt](#)  
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To the Planning Board,  
Please see the email from Pete Murphy below.

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Dear Planning Board Members , I would like to lend my support and voice to anything that can help promote economic development in the central business district. As a developer, any increase in the height , density, composition ( retail , commercial ) would be of assistance. In particular, to have 3 levels of residential above 1 level of commercial would be of great help. If this could be done” by right” as opposed to conditional use would be helpful in the planning and forecasting stage of any project. Between the harsh realities and the lingering effects of the corona virus coupled with the high cost to build, including materials and labor, any additional help would be beneficial in potentially making a project viable . Thanks Peter Murphy “town & Campus “