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See below.

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Hi Sam,

Hope you had a good Thanksgiving. Please see below for some additional commissioner and staff questions regarding the Stone Bank restaurant project. Can you please respond by Monday 12/5 so that we can add them to the record prior to the hearing on 12/8?

Thanks,

Alex

1. An earlier document stated that no disposable plastic ware is to be used. Is there to be disposable non-plastic? If so, please identify. **Of course there is, but it is all bio-degradable -- napkins, to-go containers, paper liners for baskets and so forth. Essentially paper trash.**
2. Essentially, then, is everything to cook, serve and eat with intended to be washed on the premises? **No. Many items are finger foods served in baskets with paper liners and do not require tableware. As we have stated, the few items that do will be eaten with washable ware.** Is it also the case that with take-away food, there will be no plastic (or other non-compostable material) either to contain the food or offered as utensils? **True, except the material is biodegradable, which is not necessarily the same as compostable.**
3. Will all customer food waste be composted? If so, please describe in more detail how will it be collected. **Yes. The submission has information on this including confirming letters from Bruno's and IGI.**
4. It was stated that the chef has 3 parking spaces. Is that the still the case and why? **The owner is purchasing three spaces from the developer.**
5. Who is responsible for the cost of additional trash pickups required by the restaurant? **The restaurant.**
6. The proposed trash area for the restaurant would appear to occupy about 40% of the

total trash area for the condos. Please explain how enough space will be left over for the other uses. This trash area is not for the entire project. **Half of the residential units will keep trash in covered storage areas attached to or under their units.**

7. How many employees does Back Door Donuts have? **Approximately 20.** How many of those employees would be free to be able to cover shifts at the restaurant? **Approximately 10.**
8. Clarify the number and location of rental properties, and the total number of bedrooms, that Back Door Donuts currently has for employees. **Mr Lyons is firming up plans for the coming season and will submit this information prior to the hearing on December 15.**
9. Given the proposed increase in pedestrian traffic, how will collisions between vehicles and pedestrians be avoided? **The restaurant is in the interior of the project, in a pedestrian-only environment. The interior is accessed from sidewalks on Main Street and Union Street, and from the Town parking lot by the ferry landing.**
10. Where will the 17 required parking spaces indicated in the FPES transportation impact assessment be located? How will this impact existing short-term parking in the area? **While parking on Main Street is preferred by most, and is often not available, there is ample parking in the downtown area. The Town ferry lot and Union Street are immediately adjacent to the project. If one is willing to walk only two blocks there are always spaces available on William Street, Franklin Street and connecting streets. Also the public lot at the old fire station site is almost never fully used. The parking "problem" is not one of availability but of convenience.**

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