

AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH AND TRAFFIC

June 24, 2008
Aldermen Shea, O'Neil,
Sullivan, J. Roy, Ouellette

5:15 PM
Aldermanic Chambers
City Hall (3rd Floor)

1. Chairman Shea calls the meeting to order.
2. The Clerk calls the roll.
3. Presentation by Brandy Stanley, Parking Manager, on the Downtown Parking Plan.
Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?
4. The Traffic Division has submitted an agenda which needs to be addressed:

RESCIND NO PARKING ANYTIME:

On Candia Road, south side, from Hanover Street to a point 450 feet east
(Ord. 2751)

On Candia Road, south side, from Proctor Road to a point 205 feet west
(Ord. 2755)

On Candia Road, south side, from Sinclair Ave., to a point 190 feet east
(Ord. 8169)

On Candia Road, north side, from Smith's Corner (Hanover Street) to the
Auburn town line
(Ord. 2748)

On Page Street, west side, from a point 500 feet north of Candia Road to a
point 60 feet north
(Ord. 8934)

Alderman Pinard

On McQuestion Street, north side, from Second Street to a point 65 feet
east

Alderman Smith

**RESCIND NO PARKING MAY 1 THRU SEPTEMBER 1 –
EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:**

On Young Street, south side, from Norris Street to Cypress Street
Alderman Shea

RESCIND 1 HOUR PARKING – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:

On Hall Street, west side, from Lake Ave., to Central South Back Street
Ord. 3078
Alderman Osborne

RESCIND NO PARKING 7 AM – 7 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY:

On Hall Street, east side, from a point 30 feet south of Spruce Street to a point 36 feet south
Alderman Osborne

TWO HOUR PARKING – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:

On Hall Street, west side, from Lake Ave., to Litchfield Lane
Alderman Osborne

TWO HOUR PARKING – 8 AM – 4 PM – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:

On Hall Street, west side, from Central Street to Litchfield Lane
Alderman Osborne

NO PARKING – MAY 1 THRU SEPTEMBER 1 – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:

On Young Street, south side, from Norris Street to a point 85 feet east
Alderman Shea

RESCIND STOP SIGN – 3 WAY

On Granite Street at Dyson Street –, SWC
Alderman Smith

NO PARKING ANYTIME:

On Candia Road, both sides, from East Industrial Park Drive to Proctor Road

On Candia Road, both sides, from Hanover Street to the Londonderry Turnpike (Massabesic Rotary)

On Londonderry Turnpike, both sides, from New Hampshire Route 101 to the Massabesic Rotary

Alderman Pinard

On Perkins Ave., - end of street section only

Alderman Osborne

On West Pennacook Street, north side, from a point 275 feet east of Canal Street to a point 75 feet east

Alderman Sullivan

CROSSWALKS:

On Elton Ave., south of Candia Road
On Candia Road, east of East Industrial Park Drive
On East Industrial Park Drive, south of Candia Road
On Candia Road, west of Proctor Road
On Proctor Road, north of Candia Road
On Proctor Road, south of Candia Road
On Hanover Street, west of Candia Road
On Candia Road, north of Hanover Street
On Candia Road, south of Hanover Street
On Farmer Street, west of Candia Road
On Sherburne Street, west of Candia Road
On Fairmount Ave., west of Candia Road
On Bridge Street, west of Candia Road
On Candia Road, north of Bridge Street
On Garvin Ave., south of Candia Road
On Bailey Ave., north of Candia Road
On Peabody Ave., south of Candia Road
On Davenport Ave., north of Candia Road
On Hester Street, north of Candia Road
On Groveland Ave., north of Candia Road
On Lake Shore Road, south of Candia Road
On Candia Road, west of Lake Shore Road
On Springvalley Street, north of Candia Road
On Sinclair Ave., north of Candia Road
Alderman Pinard

STOP SIGNS:

Sherburne Street at Candia Road – NWC
Fairmount Ave., at Candia Road – NWC
Bailey Ave., at Candia Road – NWC
Davenport Ave., at Candia Road – NWC
Springvalley Street, at Candia Road – NWC
Sinclair Ave., at Candia Road – NWC
Alderman Pinard

RESCIND CROSSWALK:

On Candia Road, south of Bridge Street
Alderman Pinard

NO TURN ON RED:

On Bridge Street at Candia Road
Alderman Pinard

RESCIND ONE WAY STREET – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:

South Porter Street, southbound, from Weston Road to the dead-end, for a time period beginning Monday, June 30, 2008 through Friday, August 29, 2008

Alderman DeVries

STOP SIGN:EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

On South Porter Street at Weston Road – SEC – for a time period beginning Monday, June 30, 2008 through August 29, 2008

Alderman DeVries

COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC PROHIBITED – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:

On Lakeside Drive, from the Londonderry Turnpike to the dead end

Alderman Pinard

NO PARKING LOADING ZONE:

On Dubuque Street, east side, from a point 60 feet north of Putnam Street to a point 26 feet north

Alderman Ouellette

5. Communication from Kevin Sheppard supporting a request from Mr. Mahboubul Hassan, President of the Islamic Society of Greater Manchester, to close Lagrange Avenue for a period of 3 to 4 years.
Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?
6. Communication from William Lambert, Traffic Engineer/Administrator, asking the Mayor's Office to send a descriptive letter of request supporting the placement of No Parking signs on Londonderry Turnpike between Route 101 and the Massabesic Circle.
Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

TABLED ITEMS

A motion is in order to remove any item from the table.

7. Communication from Alderman Shea proposing the establishment of a Manchester Crime Prevention Committee.
(Tabled 12/12/2006)
8. Report from Police and City Solicitor regarding commercial vehicle definitions, if available.
Note: Response from Deputy Public Works Director enclosed.
(Tabled 12/04/2008)

9. Communication from Mitch Sawaya, owner of the Strange Brew Tavern at 88 Market Street, requesting that he be allowed to temporarily close a portion of Franklin West Back Street each week from Thursday through Saturday between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

Note: Mr. Sawaya to meet with abutters in order to work out an agreement relative to his request and report back to the Committee.

(Tabled 2/19/08)

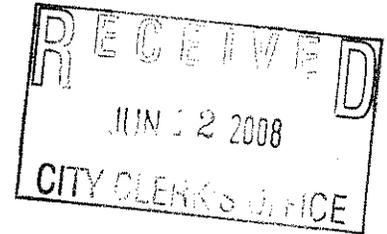
10. If there is no further business, a motion is in order to adjourn.

Kevin A. Sheppard, P.E.
Public Works Director



Commission
William A. Varkas
Henry Bourgeois
Joan Flurey
William F. Houghton Jr.
Robert R. Rivard

CITY OF MANCHESTER
Highway Department



June 10, 2008
#08-044

Traffic Committee of the
Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen
CITY OF MANCHESTER
One City Hall Plaza,
Manchester, New Hampshire 03101

attn: Carol A. Johnson
City Clerk

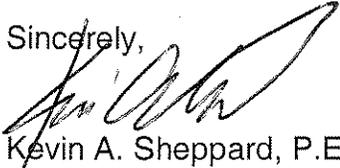
re: *Street Closure Request – Lagrange Avenue*

Dear Committee Members:

I have received a request from Dr. Mahboubul Hassan, President of the Islamic Society of Greater Manchester, to close Lagrange Avenue for a period of 3 to 4 years. Although I do have the authority to approve temporary road closures, I felt it best to request the Committee members comments.

I support this request and will work with Mr. Hassan to issue the permit, subject to no major issues being raised by Committee members.

Sincerely,


Kevin A. Sheppard, P.E.
Public Works Director

/c

June, 10.2008

**CITY OF MANCHESTER
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

ATTN: Peter D. Capano, P.E

We need to build a fence surrounding and protecting our property on 166 Lagrange Avenue, Manchester, NH 03104 from vandalism. Last year alone, our equipment was broken three times and we had to pay for the repairs. In addition to that, the trailer was vandalized and tools and materials were stolen from in side.

Further, we need to stop people from dumping their waste (beds, tables, stoves, tires, etc.) on our property. In the past year, we have been dealing with vandalism and garbage on a regular basis, which is hard and disturbing for all of us, and it takes our valued time from our project.

(Duration 3-4 years)

Thank you for understanding

Sincerely,

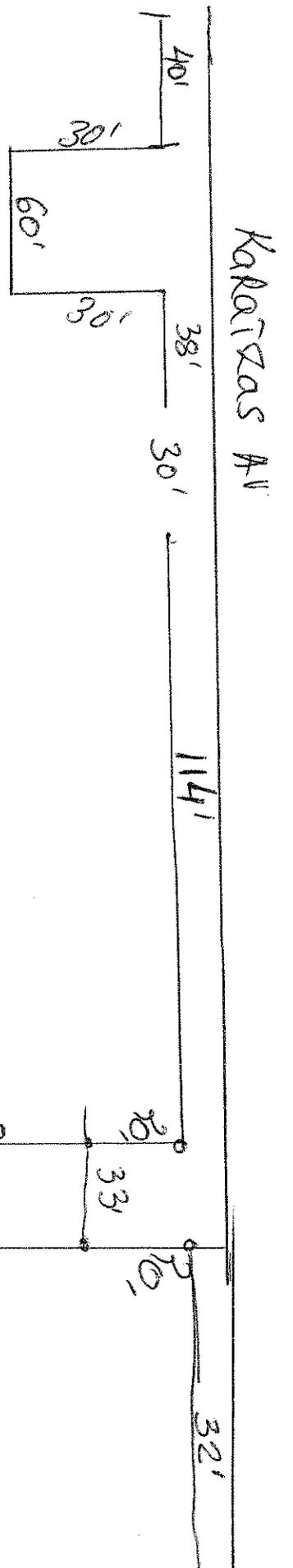


**Dr. Mahboubul Hassan
President, Islamic Society of Greater Manchester**

644-3187

264-5832 Kassim Contractor

PROJECT
15 G M
166 Lagrange
MUNICIPALITY





THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



May 30, 2008

GEORGE N. CAMPBELL, JR.
COMMISSIONER

JEFF BRILLHART, P.E.
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

James P Hoben, Deputy Traffic Director
Department of Highways
Traffic Division
480 Hayward St
Manchester NH 03103

Dear Mr. Hoben:

Re: Request for No Parking Signs
NH 28 Bypass, Manchester

Regarding your e-mail of May 30, 2008, please have the Mayor's Office send a descriptive letter of request supporting the placement of No Parking signs on Londonderry Turnpike between NH 101 and the Massabesic Circle. The Department requires that the request be made in this manner since enforcement will fall largely upon City police.

Sincerely,

William R. Lambert, P.E.
Traffic Engineer/Administrator
Bureau of Traffic

WRL:RDL:maw



CITY OF MANCHESTER

Board of Aldermen

1-15-08 REMAINED TABLED
2-19-08 REMAINED TABLED
3-18-08 REMAINED TABLED



IN BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN

DATE: November 28, 2006

ON MOTION OF ALD. Shea

MEMORANDUM

SECONDED BY ALD. Pinard

refer to the Committee on
VOTED TO Public Safety and Traffic.

John M. Pinard
CITY CLERK

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From: Alderman Shea *M.P.S.*

Date: November 28, 2006

Re: Establishment of a Manchester Crime Prevention Committee

My purpose in proposing the establishment of such a committee would be to examine the causes for increases in serious crimes in Manchester and I am recommending that members of the committee include the following:

- a) Manchester Police Chief (Chairman);
- b) a representative of the NH State Police;
- c) a representative of the Sheriff's Department;
- d) a representative of the Manchester Police Commission;
- e) a representative of the DEA (research purposes);
- f) a representative of the FBI (research purposes);
- g) Chairman of the Board of Aldermen;
- h) a representative of the Office of Youth Services;
- i) a representative of the Mayor's office; and
- j) utilization of local colleges for research purposes.

The committee would be in conjunction with the Mayor's action plan for neighborhood improvements and predicated upon the Manchester Refugee Resettlement Advisory Committee report submitted in May 2006.

Upon conclusion a report would be submitted to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for their review no later than March 2007.

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2-19-08 REMAINED TABLED
3-18-08 REMAINED TABLED



**City of Manchester
Department of Highways**

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Manchester, New Hampshire 03103-5596
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Frank C. Thomas, P.E.
Public Works Director

Kevin A. Sheppard, P.E.
Deputy Public Works Director

December 11, 2007

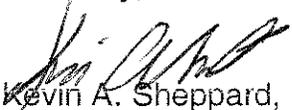
Alderman Ed Osborne, Chmn.
Committee on Public Safety, Health and Traffic
CITY OF MANCHESTER
c/o City Clerk's Office
Manchester, New Hampshire 03101

Re: Commercial Vehicles

Dear Chairman Osborne:

In response to Alderman O'Neil's request for sample vehicle weights, I have attached the definition of a commercial motor vehicle per City Ordinance 70.06 as well as sample weights of various vehicle classes.

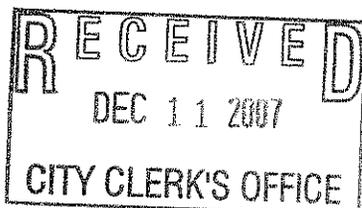
Sincerely,


Kevin A. Sheppard, P.E.
Deputy Public Works Director

/cd

cc: Frank C. Thomas, P.E.
City Solicitor's Office
Lt. Jon Hopkins, MPD

Encl.



COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE

CHAPTER 70: MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

DEFINITION 70.06

COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE:

A vehicle designed or used to transport passengers or property if:

- (1) The vehicle has a gross vehicle weight rating or gross combination weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds; or
- (2) The vehicle is designed to transport more than 15 passengers including the driver; or
- (3) The vehicle is of any size and is used in the transportation of materials found to be hazardous pursuant to R.S.A. 259:12-3(c); or
- (4) The vehicle is used primarily for business and industry as contrasted with pleasure vehicles.
- (5) Exclusion. COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE shall not include a city vehicle, or emergency vehicles engaged in the provision of emergency medical, Police or Fire services.

WEIGHT DEFINITIONS

CURB WEIGHT – The weight of a fueled automobile with standard equipment but without cargo or passengers.

GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING (GVWR) – The maximum allowable total weight of a road vehicle or trailer that is loaded, including the weight of the vehicle itself plus fuel, passengers, cargo, and trailer tongue weight.

Note: Both curb weights and gross vehicle weights vary depending on vehicle model, trim and options. The numbers presented are an average for that vehicle type.

FORD FOCUS



**CURB WEIGHT – 2,840 lbs.
GVWR – 3,825 lbs.**

FORD ESCAPE



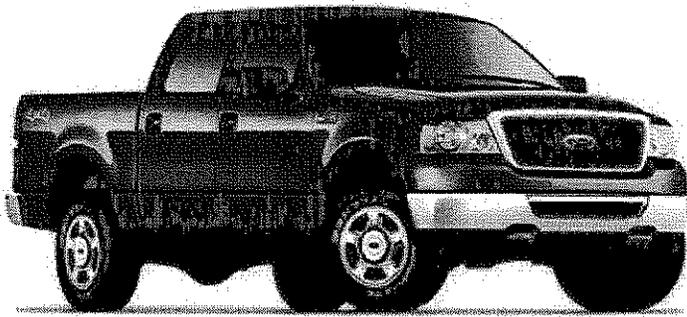
**CURB WEIGHT – 3,387 lbs.
GVWR – 4,520 lbs.**

FORD EXPLORER



**CURB WEIGHT – 4,531 lbs.
GVWR – 6,051 lbs.**

FORD F150



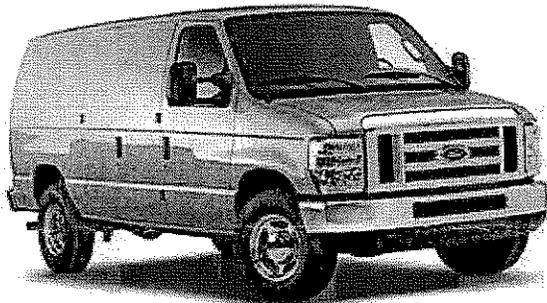
CURB WEIGHT – 4,904 lbs.
GVWR – 6,744 lbs.

FORD F450



CURB WEIGHT – 8,290 lbs.
GVWR – 14,500 lbs.

FORD E-150 VAN



CURB WEIGHT – 5,186 lbs.
GVWR – 14,500

FORD F750 DUMP TRUCK



GVWR – 33,000

*Strange Brew Tavern
Com. to Public Safety, Traffic & Health
February 19, 2008*

*Filed 2-19-08
3-18-08 REMAINED TAB*

STRANGE BREW TAVERN
88 Market Street
Manchester, NH 03101

January 22, 2008

City of Manchester, NH
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: Matthew Normand
Deputy Clerk

Re: Encumbrance Permit

Dear Sir:

As per our October discussion, I am requesting permission to close the alley adjacent to Strange Brew known as Franklin West Back Street.

The area in question is 84'3" long (from one end of the building to the other) by 23'6" wide on the Market Street side.

The initial proposed closure times would be Thursday through Saturday from approximately 5pm until a last call for drinks at 10pm. All service would be discontinued in the alley by 11pm. We are picking these times for the initial test of this proposal because we always hire a detail Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. If this works out, I will ask that we reevaluate and close the alley for additional days (in particular, all day Sunday and Saturday).

The Heritage Commission has given conceptual approval for an awning 35 feet in length with an overhang of 10 feet 6 inches. This is a retractable awning which would only be open during hours of operation. During whatever review we have of the alley closure, I suggest we discuss "air rights" for the awning. Once air rights are approved, the building department will issue a permit.

As we discussed, we will not close the alley during snow emergencies.

For the short term, I intend to purchase nylon rope barriers which we will wrap in white lights. If the program works out with no issues, I will look to put in a more permanent barrier, such as a wrought iron divider that swings out from the wall.

Please let me know if you have any further questions regarding this request. I can be reached in my office most days at (603)666-0293, or on my cell at (603) 670-3236.
Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mitch Sawaya
President
Strange Brew Tavern

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Back Alley

WALKWAY TO
FRONTY TO ST
LAWRENCE

MARKET ST.
TITLE

STANKE BEW

SIDE WALK

SIDE WALK

83'6"

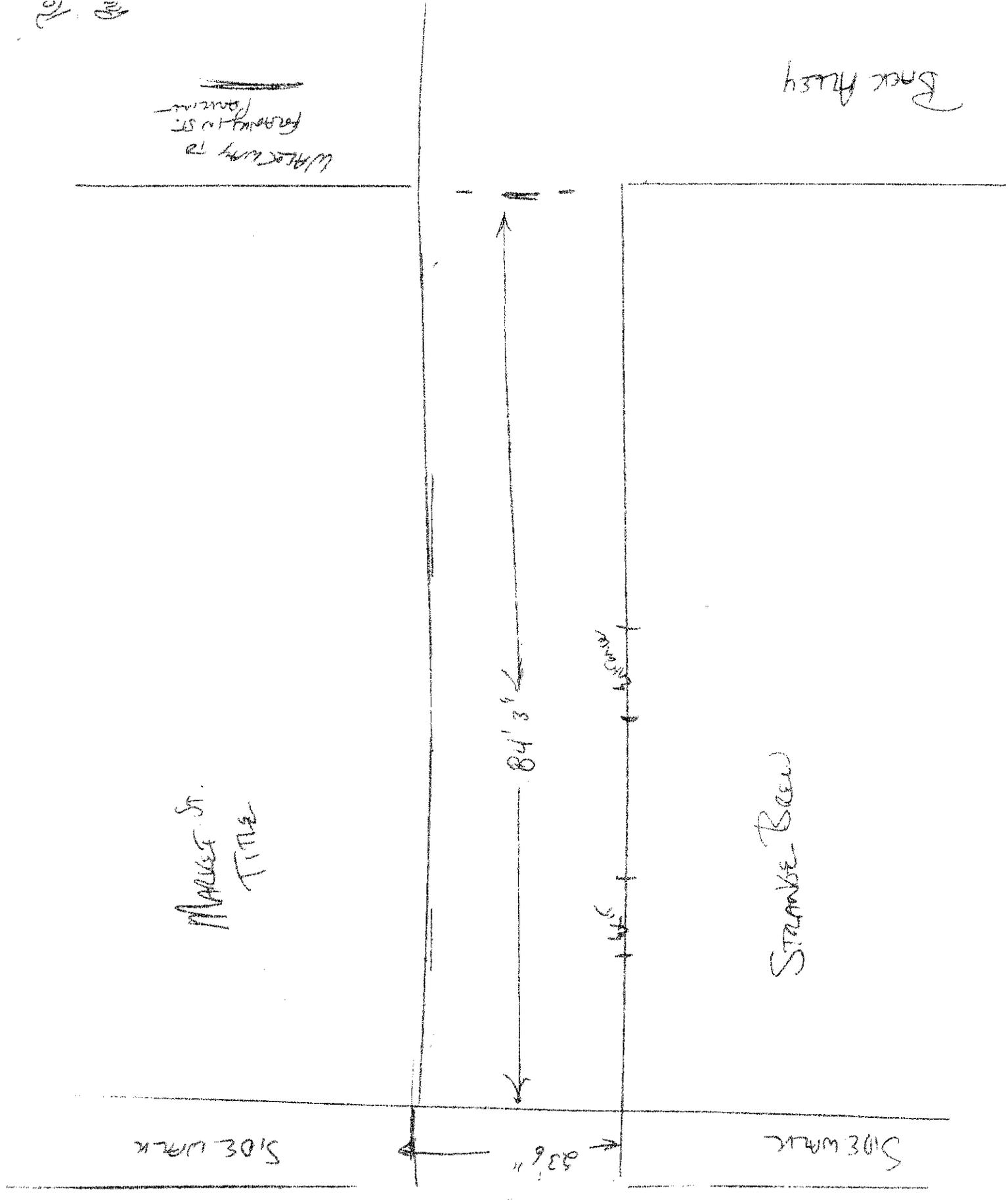
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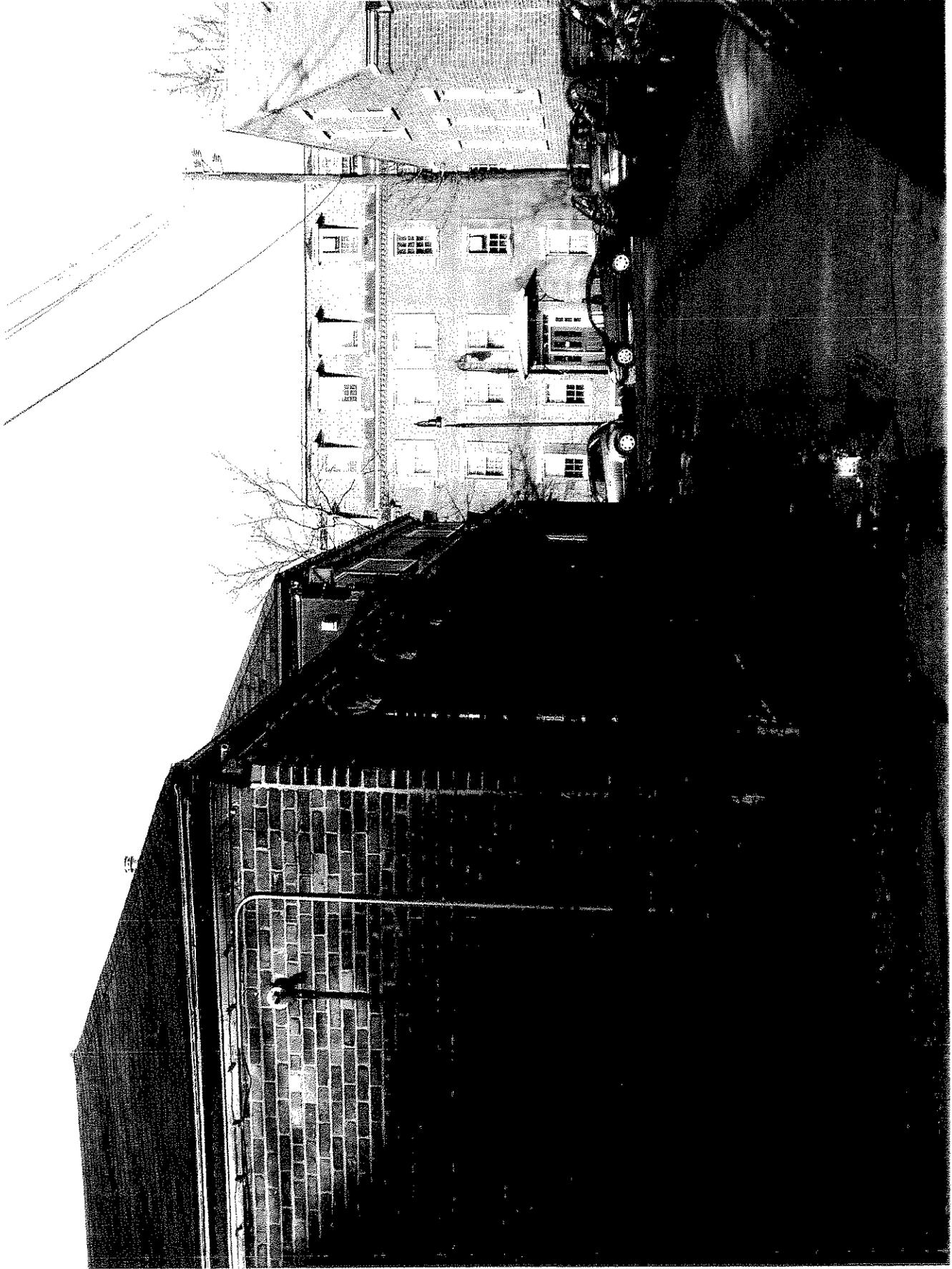
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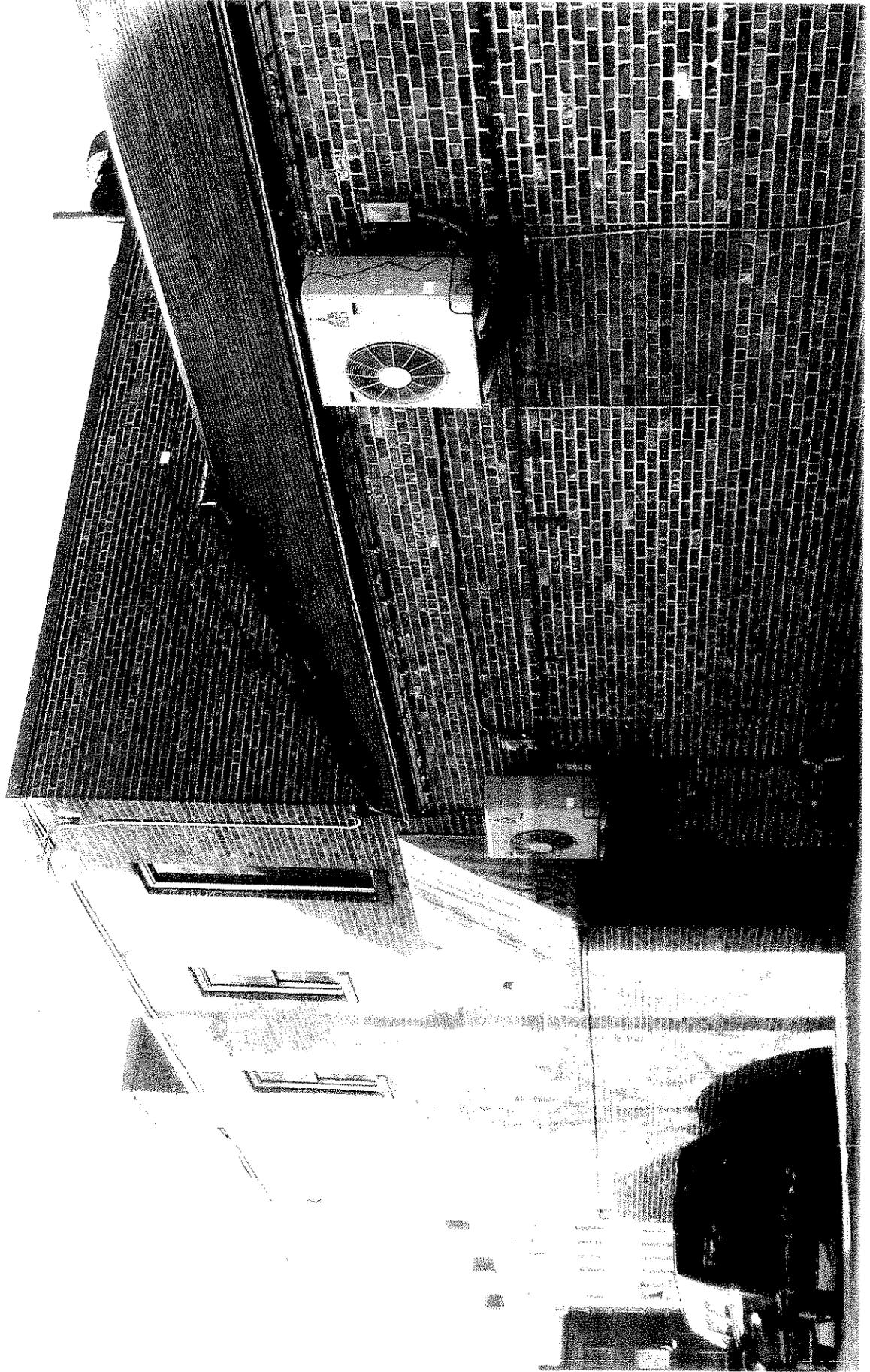
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100 - City Clerk's Office
Board on Public Safety, Traffic & Police
February 14, 2008



February 17, 2008

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen
c/o the Office of the City Clerk
City Hall, Manchester, New Hampshire

Gentlemen,

We have just been notified that the owner of Strange Brew on Market Street in Manchester is petitioning the city for permission to close off a portion of the back street that runs between our property and Strange Brew, from Middle Street to Market Street, as certain hours on certain evenings. My wife and I and our tenants strongly object to the granting of this request .

We have and our tenants have occupied our building for close to 35 years. Our building has been rented to residential as well as commercial tenants for close to 170 years. We never experienced noise and vandalism problems until Strange Brew came to the area. For quite a while, motorcycle noise was a nightmare on many evenings because Strange Brew actively solicited the motorcycle trade. Thank God motorcycle noise is not as much of a problem in recent years and we and our tenants are able to get some sleep, at least until Strange Brew closes because the noise has been confined to the interior of their building. Once it closes, on many evenings, the tanked up young people go into the City Parking lot on Middle Street where the boys yell at one another and the girls scream at one another. We are often obliged to call the police who, to their great credit, promptly respond. It's a shame that they have to become involved because they have more important work to perform. But at least until Strange Brew closes, we can get some sleep though we have just lost one of the best

tenants that we ever had, due to the after hours noise.

The requested closings, for one thing, would clearly interfere with the substantial traffic that passes through the back street and would diminish the access that we and our tenants have to our property. Far more important is the fact that there would be a substantial amount of noise, as more and more beer is consumed, which noise would be disturbing to us and our tenants. My wife and I are elderly and our bedroom is about 25 feet from the area that they seek to close off. We would risk disturbing noise from early evening until the last patron leaves the parking lot which is about 25 feet from our apartment.

We like the owner of Strange Brew. He is a good businessman and has been successful at a location where many other restaurants have failed. He appears to be doing very well and, in our opinion, he can do well without bringing noise out into our street.

I am 80 years old My wife and I have asked very little of the city that we love. Please accomodate us and our tenants in this matter.

Respectfully and sincerely yours