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Hi Natalia and Steve - I sent an email out to several neighboring businesses about the proposed change in use and received 100% positive responses. Attached are quotes from the emails that I received. I bolded or added business owners in brackets so that the board can see who the responses were from...

To The Grafton Planning Board,

We are the business owners of **JCSI Corporate Staffing** at 2 South Street. We have recently heard that Steve and Lori Belfiore are planning on opening up an ice-cream and coffee bar on the Grafton Common. As business owners of a Grafton Common business, we whole heartedly support this. When the Grafton Country Store had Cones on the Common, it was such a treat for us and our employees to take a break during the day and walk over to enjoy a coffee and/or ice cream. Each of our employees were given a weekly allowance to be able to go over and enjoy a treat. Having an ice cream and coffee bar on the common would be such a nice addition to our community.

As frequent customers of The Grafton Grill, there is no doubt that Steve and Lori will create an amazing space on the Common serving quality ice cream and coffee drinks with exceptional service. Please know that all of us at JCSI support the Belfiores and this new business venture. We look forward to becoming regular customers of their shop.

Best regards,
Liz and Jim Sullivan
Owners of **JCSI**

Fantastic news!!! Our families have been begging for coffee and the kids will love the ice cream♥♥♥

Wonderful news. All the best to them 😊 **[Beatz Dance Studio]**

A resounding yes from **Off the Common Antiques!** This business is a perfect fit for the neighborhood.

Happy to pass the ice cream /coffee baton to the Belfiores! Love to have the combo back in the hood!! Looking forward to it!
[Grafton Country Store / Cones on the Common]

A resounding vote of support from us here at **Apple Tree Arts!**

Really looking forward to this new addition to the Town House. **[UUSGU]**

I strongly support the Belfiore's and their proposed change of use. Adding a coffee and ice cream shop to the Common once again will be fantastic! **[Gilmore Building Company]**

I can't imagine a better fit than to bring coffee, ice cream, and snacks back to the common. So many people miss Cones on the Common and Special Teas. It is a perfect complement to the other community-focused businesses at and around One Grafton Common. I also can't imagine a better proprietor than the Belfiore family, who have not only built one of the best local restaurants, The Grafton Grill, but also live just down the street. **[The Townhouse Tavern]**

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