



Joint Planning Board and Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2020

7:10 PM

Virtual (zoom) meeting

Planning Board members present: Derrick Chin (Chair), Ray Yacouby, Anping Liu, and Sam Bajwa.

Board of Selectmen members present: Joan Gardner, David Martin, Peter Berry, Dean Charter, Jon Benson.

Housing Production Plan Consultants: Elizabeth Rust (Regional Housing Services Office) and Jennifer Goldson of JM Goldson LLC.

Also present: Roland Bartl, Planning Director; Kristen Guichard, Senior Town Planner, Robert Hummel, Assistant Town Planner, Vivian Birchall, Administrative Assistant

1. Opening

The Board of Selectmen Chair Joan Gardner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. She read the guidelines for virtual meeting including the ways the public can participate.

She informed that the joint meeting was to receive a presentation on the Draft Housing Production Plan, from the consultants and public comments to improve the plan. She invited the consultants to present the plan.

2. The Presentation:

The presentation covered the goals of the Housing Production Plan and regulations to follow for the plan to be approved.

After the presentation, and before board discussion, the Chair of the Planning Board called the roll Derrick Chin – Aye, Ray Yacouby- Aye, Anping Liu – Aye, and Sam Bajwa - Aye.

3. Discussion

The members from the two boards and the public discussed and agreed that the plan presented was good overall and suggested: eliminating the part about using CPC funds for a rental subsidy program; reconcile population projection figures used by the consultants and other entities such as the Acton Water District; provide a process to extend the public comment period and receive further public comments verbally at another public meeting; address concerns about over population of the town and balance resource conservation with the need for more housing.

4. Adjournment

At 9:00 PM a motion was made by Ray Yacouby and seconded by Sam Bajwa, to adjourn the meeting.

The Chair of Planning Board called the roll

Derrick Chin – Aye, Ray Yacouby- Aye, Anping Liu – Aye , Sam Bajwa – Aye,.



Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote.

Documents used at the Meeting:

4/2420Agenda

Draft HPP Presentation: <http://doc.acton-ma.gov/dsweb/Get/Document-72088/HPP%20Draft%20Plan%20Presentation%204-21-20.pdf>

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