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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 20, 2020

TO: Councilor Deborah Crossley, Chair, Zoning & Planning Committee

Members of the Zoning & Planning Committee

FROM: Barney Heath, Director, Department of Planning and Development

Jennifer Caira, Deputy Director of Planning & Development

Zachery LeMel, Chief of Long Range Planning

RE: #88-20 Discussion and review relative to the draft Zoning Ordinance

<u>DIRECTOR OF PLANNING</u> requesting review, discussion, and direction relative to the draft Zoning

Other docket items to be taken up within the context of Zoning Redesign include #30-20, #38-

20, and #148-20

MEETING: March 23, 2020

CC: City Council

Planning Board

John Lojek, Commissioner of Inspectional Services

Alissa O. Giuliani, City Solicitor

Jonathan Yeo, Chief Operating Officer

As a reminder, the upcoming ZAP Committee meeting will highlight case studies that visualize how the proposed Zoning Ordinance, and the use of Building Types, achieve the City goals of promoting a diverse array of housing options for Newton's current and future residents and reducing the vulnerability to speculative tear downs. In addition, the case studies will showcase key updates and new components of the proposed Zoning Ordinance (lot coverage, measuring basements/attics, etc.). Where appropriate City staff will provide side-by-side comparisons of the current and proposed ordinances.

Given the move to all virtual meetings City staff would like to reshare the relevant reading materials with the ZAP Committee, City Council, and anyone who attends, so it can be easily accessible during the meeting this coming Monday - March 23rd, 2020.

Additional Reading

In preparation for the this meeting, and subsequent meetings discussing Article 3, committee members should read the Planning Department's March 14, 2020 memo, Article 3 Sec. 3.2 and Article 2 Sec. 2.1-2.8, Newton's Pattern Book pg. 252-261, and the Build Out Analysis Memo dated February 25, 2019. Article 3, Article 2, and Article 9 (all redlined) are attached to this memo.

Planning Department Memo – March, 14, 2020 http://www.newtonma.gov/civicax/filebank/documents/102335

Build Out Analysis Memo – February 25, 2019 http://www.newtonma.gov/civicax/filebank/documents/95483

Newton's Pattern Book

http://www.newtonma.gov/civicax/filebank/documents/92259

Attachments

Attachment A Article 3 – Residence Districts (redlined)

Attachment B Article 2 – General Standards (redlined)

Attachment C Article 9 – Use Regulations (redlined)