

1. Is the Exeter PD project exempt from discretionary permitting efforts and fees in the Town of Exeter, with perhaps the exception of Conservation Commission? **All discretionary permits are exempt. However, in accordance with NHRSA 674:54 Governmental Land Uses, Exeter shall give written notification to the Select Board and Planning Board with all the documents required by the statute. Either the Select Board, Planning Board or both may elect to hold a public hearing on the project. While holding the hearing is at their discretion, I would suspect they will hold a public hearing. Each body may hold a separate hearing or they may do a joint hearing. If there are direct wetland impacts, then it is expected that Exeter will appear before the Conservation Commission for an advisory opinion.**
2. Is the Exeter PD requesting waiver, or have these been waived, of any building, subcontractor, or other similar building trades permits or inspection fees, or any betterment fees by the Town of Exeter? **The Town, along with all contractors, will have to get whatever local building permits are required. However, no fees will be charged for these permits or inspections. No betterment or impact fees will apply.**
3. What's known about the development suitability of the site at 6 Continental Drive?
 - a. Has a Phase 1 ESA been performed? **No**
 - b. Has any geotechnical investigation been performed? **No**
 - c. Public Utilities proximity? **Municipal water & sewer, natural gas, and three phase power are all available in Continental Drive.**
4. Is there any flexibility on the net zero compliance if the budget cannot support this requirement? **The Town acknowledges that generating enough power onsite to support the project will be a challenge due to the size and use of the site. However, the Town is committed to constructing a building that gets us as close as practical to net zero. The Town is constructing a 1.77 MW solar array at the Cross Road landfill that is expected to come online prior to completion. The Town may be able to supplement the energy use with Renewable Energy Credits from the array to achieve net zero.**
5. If the budget isn't adequate for the conceptual design/scope, and value-engineering doesn't close the gap completely, what else besides downsizing the building or downgrading some of the materials would be considered? **We intend to stay within the approved funding limits. A professional cost estimator developed this budget figure and we expect it to cover the entire project. I am unaware of what else we would consider at this time if the budget is not adequate. We will have to address this issue when/if it arises.**
6. One question we have, many times clients are looking for daily supervision of projects during construction. This was not listed in the scope of services, just confirming you are not looking for this during construction? **The Town does not anticipate needing daily supervision during construction.**