

TOWN OF EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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LEGAL NOTICE EXETER PLANNING BOARD AGENDA

The Exeter Planning Board will meet on Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in the Nowak Room of the Town Office Building located at 10 Front Street, Exeter, New Hampshire, to consider the following:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 11, 2024

NEW BUSINESS: PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearing on the proposed zoning amendment(s) for 2024 Town Meeting warrant. *Copies of the full text of the proposed amendments are available in the Planning Office.*

Amendment No. 1-24: Amend Article 4, District Regulations, Section 4.2, Schedule 1: Permitted Uses - Notes of the Exeter Zoning Ordinance regarding Residential Conversions and Accessory Dwelling Units.

Amendment No. 2-24: Amend Article 6.19 Mixed Use Neighborhood District of the Exeter Zoning Ordinance by expanding the provision to apply to the C-2, Highway Commercial District and amending some of the existing language.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Master Plan Discussion
- Land Use Regulations Review
- Field Modifications
- Bond and/or Letter of Credit Reductions and Releases

EXETER PLANNING BOARD

Langdon J. Plumer, Chairman

Posted 01/12/24: Exeter Town Office and Town of Exeter website

1	TOWN OF EXETER
2	PLANNING BOARD
3	EXETER PUBLIC LIBRARY
4	FOUR CHESTNUT STREET
5	NOVEMBER 16, 2023
6	DRAFT MINUTES
7	7:00 PM
8	I. PRELIMINARIES:
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10	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT BY ROLL CALL: Chair Langdon Plumer, Vice-Chair Aaron Brown, Pete
11	Cameron, Clerk, Gwen English, Jennifer Martel, John Grueter, and Nancy Belanger Select Board
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14	STAFF PRESENT:
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16	II. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Plumer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and introduced the
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19	III. OLD BUSINESS
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21	APPROVAL OF MINUTES
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23	November 2, 2023
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25	Mr. Cameron motioned to table approval of the November 2, 2023 minutes. Ms. Belanger seconded
26 27	the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.
27	IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> :
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29	1. The application of Granite State Construction Services, LLC for a lot line adjustment between the
30	properties at 12 Little River Road and 12A Little River Road (formerly Calvary Baptist Church)
31 32	R-2, Single Family Residential zoning district Tax Map Parcels #62-90 and #62-90-1
33	Planning Board Case #23-15
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35	Chair Plumer read out loud the Public Hearing Notice and indicated the case is ready to be
36	heard.
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38	Mr. Cameron motioned to open Planning Board Case #23-15. Ms. Belanger seconded the
39	motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.
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- 41 Chair Plumer noted that Town Planner Dave Sharples left notes concerning the status of the
- 42 case.
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- 44 Christian Smith from Beals Associates presented the case on behalf of he applicant. He noted 45 Sam Mukarkar, Tyler Peters and Olivia Michaud were also present. Mr. Smith posted the plan showing the lot line adjustment and the proposed five-acre parcel (Lot 90). He displayed the 46 condominium site plan as well as the yield plan. He noted the property was served by water 47 and sewer. He indicated the 25'x25' building envelope and demo plan. He noted two trees 48 49 would need to come down that were dead or dying diseased pines. 50 51 Mr. Smith indicated there were two Technical Review Committee hearings and the applicants 52 are working with the Fire Department concerning hydrant and turnaround as the Department 53 of Public Works was uncomfortable with the original proposed gravity sewer. The water main is 54 being upgraded. There will be a waiver to encroach 50' in the building setback. He noted the proposed plantings and indicated no cut placards will be placed. 55 56 Mr. Smith indicated impervious surface was being reduced by 34% from 30,000 SF to 21,000 SF. 57 58 He did not feel drainage analysis would tell them much. He noted stone drip edges on all buildings. He worked with Underwood Engineering on the bioretention swales. There will be a 59 55% reduction in nitrogen where 60% is required in the ordinance. The subdivision went before 60 the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a frontage variance in 2021. 61 62 Chair Plumer opened the hearing to the public at 7:20 PM for comments and questions and 63 being none closed the hearing to the public. 64 65 Ms. Martel asked about the several architectural plans and Mr. Mukarkar indicated the plans 66 67 are for three bedrooms, 2.5 baths and two car garage. 68 69 Ms. Belanger motioned that the request of Granite State Communications, Planning Board 70 Case #23-15 for a lot line adjustment be granted. Mr. Cameron seconded the motion. A vote 71 was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0. 72 73 Ms. Smith compared the conventional yield plan to the open space development plan, which 74 the Board indicated were okay. Mr. Mukarkar indicted he met with a lot of the abutters for 75 input. 76 Ms. English expressed concerns with the wetland flowing to Little River and the 250' shoreland 77 buffer. Mr. Smith noted Gove Environmental submitted documents. 78 79

80 81 82 83	Chair Plumer opened the hearing to the public at 7:38 PM for comments and questions. Ms. Martel noted there was email received from Steve Blaisdell and Judy Blaisdell, which she read into the record. She noted they are not abutters but expressed concerns with traffic and speed control and stated that a speed bump had been required for the church. Ms. Smith noted no
84 85	speed bump was proposed but there would be a stop sign.
86 87 88	Ms. Martel asked if there was a way to include a turnaround and Mr. Smith pointed out the area requested for a turnaround by the Fire Department with no parking signs. The road will be private and be marked a clear dead end with no outlet.
89 90	Vice-Chair Brown noted the plan indicated a four-bedroom. Ms. Smith noted that was a typo,
91 92	he will correct.
93 94	Chair Plumer closed the hearing to the public at 7:41 PM.
95	Ms. Smith reviewed the waiver request. He noted the 50' buffer zone was devoid of trees and
96 97	section 11.2.8 requires a vegetated 25' perimeter strip. He noted the request would not be detrimental to public health, safety or welfare or injurious to other properties. The prior
98	developer cleared and disturbed the entire buffer so no tree buffer exists and he noted this is
99 100	unique. He noted the request is not contrary to the spirit and intent of the regulation and will not vary the zoning ordinance or Master Plan. There will be more screening than exists
101	currently.
102 103	Ms. English raised concern with the selection of Eastern White Pines which Mr. Smith noted
105	grow 2' per year. Mr. Makurkar noted a cedar fence was planned. Ms. Martel recommended
105	working with a landscape designer.
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107	Ms. Martel motioned after reviewing the criteria for granting waivers that the request of
108	Granite State Communications, Planning Board Case #23-15 for a waiver from Section 11.2.8
109	of the site plan review and subdivision regulations regarding vegetated perimeter strip be
110	approved subject to the following condition:
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112 113	Ms. Martel recommended as conditions of approval:
114 115 116	1. Applicant shall provide a mixed deciduous and evergreen landscape buffer designed by a landscape architect or landscape designer that is at least 25' in width that will grow at least 40' tall and is comprised of at least five varieties of native tree species based at 15' on center.
117	2. Applicant shall install a 6' cedar fence along the property line impacted by the waiver.

Ms. English seconded the motion. Vice-Chair Brown asked the condition be repeated. A vote
 was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

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121 Vice-Chair Brown noted that Town Planner Dave Sharples had concerns with the waiver request 122 for the stormwater management evaluation requirement.

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Ms. Smith read the request for a waiver from Section 9.3.2 into the record. He noted a reduction of 11,149 SF of impervious surface that drains away from Penn Lane. He noted no detriment to public health, safety or welfare or injury to other property. He noted the property was unique. He noted the volume and peak flow were reduced. The waiver was not contrary to the spirit and intent of the regulation, did not vary the provisions of the zoning ordinance or

- 129 Master Plan.
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131 Ms. Martel indicated that without the analysis from a professional there is no way the Board

132 could know. Vice-Chair Brown noted he did not believe this waiver was ever granted. Ms.

- 133 Martel noted there was no landscaping plan.
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Vice-Chair Brown noted that one of the major concerns expressed to the Planning Board by
 abutters has been not impacting abutters with stormwater. It is a legitimate concern. Vice Chair Brown noted he was inclined to deny the request but recommended the applicant could

138 return in two weeks to get input from the Town Planner.

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140 Vice-Chair Brown motioned after reviewing the criteria for granting waivers that the request

of Granite State Communications, Planning Board Case #23-15 for a waiver from Section 9.3.2

of the site plan review and subdivision regulations for stormwater management, be

143 continued to the December 7, 2023 meeting at 7:00 PM. Ms. Belanger seconded the motion.

144 **A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.**

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146 Vice-Chair Brown noted the applicant could do some housekeeping on the plan before

- returning such as adding to the plan that the units were three bedroom, 2.5 bath, who wouldmaintain the fence, and show landscaping.
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Ms. Belanger motioned to continue Planning Board Case #23-15 to December 7, 2023 at 7:00
 PM. Mr. Grueter seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion
 passed 7-0-0.

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- 154 2. The application of Mario A. Ponte for a multi-family site plan review for the proposed
- 155 construction of additional retail and residential units within the existing structure at
- 156 85-87 Water Street
- 157 WC-Waterfront Commercial zoning district

- 158 Tax Map Parcel #72-79
- 159 Planning Board Case #23-18
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- 161 Chair Plumer read out loud the Public Hearing Notice and indicated there were concerns about
- 162 the case being ready and noted the applicant was not present.
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- 164 3. The application of Sheila M. Groonell and Donald G. Murray and Carol J. Murray for a lot line
- adjustment to the common boundary line between the properties at 78 Kingston Road and 74Kingston Road
- 167 R-1, Low Density Residential zoning district
- 168 Tax Map Parcels #97-28 and #97-29
- 169 Planning Board Case #23-19
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- 171 Chair Plumer read out loud the Public Hearing Notice.
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- 173 Eric Saari from Altus Engineering presented the application and noted Sheila Groonell was here.
- 174 He noted the lot line adjustment would add seven acres to the 1.16 acre parcel.
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176 Mr. Cameron questioned what the reason for the adjustment was and if it had anything to do

- with Riverwoods and access to Route 111. Mr. Saari responded that Grant wants to pick upsome land from Sheila. Grant stated that he has been a neighbor for 20 years and wants to
- some land from Sheila. Grant stated that he has been a neighbor for 20 years and wants to
 control his view. Mr. Saari indicated Riverwoods was not part of the application. Vice-Chair
- 179 Control his view. Wit. Saar indicated Riverwoods was not part of the application. Vice-chain
- 180 Brown noted two neighbors were coming together to make a non-conforming lot conforming.
- 181 He indicated the approval would be subject to standard conditions of approval.
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- 183 Ms. Belanger motioned that the request of Sheila Groonell and Donald & Carol Murray,
- 184 Planning Board Case #23-19 for a lot line adjustment be approved. Mr. Grueter seconded the
- 185 *motion.* A vote was taken, Mr. Cameron voted nay, the motion passed 6-0-1.
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- 187 4. The application of Singh Realty Group for an amendment to a previously approved site plan
- 188 and Wetlands Conditional Use Permit
- 189 Planning Board Case #22-9 Glerups, Inc.)
- 190 For the proposed construction of a warehouse facility, parking and associated site
- 191 improvements on the property at 19 Continental Drive
- 192 CT-1, Corporate Technology Park-1 zoning district
- 193 Tax Map Parcel #46-7-2
- 194 Planning Board Case #23-20
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- 196 Chair Plumer read out loud the Public Hearing Notice.
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198 *Ms.* English motioned to open Planning Board Case #23-20. Ms. Belanger seconded the 199 motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

- 200 201 Eric Saari from Altus Engineering presented the application and noted Vicki Martel was also 202 present. He indicated the use would be a cold storage facility. He posted an aerial photo of the 203 site and noted access was by easement. The warehouse received prior approval for 95,000 SF and the new proposal will remove some parking reducing 9,000 SF of impervious surface and 204 205 there will be a 4,300 reduction in impact to wetland buffer with a total disturbance of 9,400 SF> 206 There are utilities there and lighting will be reduced at the edge. An amended AoT was filed. 207 There will be infiltration with a rain garden and erosion control. 208 209 Vicki Martel noted she is the landscape architect and indicated the location of proposed trees,
 - maples in the back, Hawthorns in the front because of the light poles. There would be a mix of
 Elm and Red Oaks for shade.
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 - 213 Mr. Saari reviewed the application for the Wetland Conditional Use Permit.
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Ms. Belanger motioned that the request of Singh Realty Group, Planning Board Case #23-20
 for a Wetland Conditional Use Permit be approved. Vice-Chair Brown seconded the motion.
 A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.

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Ms. (Jen) Martel asked about snow storage along the south near the wetlands and if a no snowstorage sign could be added.

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- 222 Vice-Chair Brown read the proposed conditions of approval:
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1. All conditions as set forth in the original Planning Board conditional approval letter to Altus

- Engineering, dated September 9, 2022, for the proposed construction on the subject property shall still remain valid (copy attached);
- 227 2. The guardrail on the east retaining wall shall be extended south until the bioretention cell.
- 228 Signs stating "no snow storage" shall be erected along the guardrail; and
- 229 3. Two (2) additional shade trees shall be included on the planting plan.
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- 231 Ms. Belanger motioned that the request of Singh Realty Group, Planning Board Case #23-20
- for an amendment to the previous site plan approval (for Glerups, Inc.) be approved with the
- conditions read by Vice-Chair Brown. Mr. Grueter seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all
- were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.
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- 237 VI. OTHER BUSINESS

- 238 239 Master Plan Discussion • 240 **Field Modifications** 241 • 242 Bond and/or Letter of Credit Reductions and Release 243 • 244 245 **VII. TOWN PLANNER'S ITEMS** 246 **VIII. CHAIRPERSON'S ITEMS** 247 IX. PB REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT ON "OTHER COMMITTEE ACTIVITY" 248 X. ADJOURN Vice-Chair motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM. Mr. Cameron seconded the motion. 249 A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0. 250 251 Respectfully submitted. 252 253 Daniel Hoijer,
- 254 Recording Secretary
- 255 Via Exeter TV

1	TOWN OF EXETER
2	PLANNING BOARD
3	NOWAK MEETING ROOM
4	10 FRONT STREET
5	DECEMBER 7, 2023
6	DRAFT MINUTES
7	6:30 PM
8	I. PRELIMINARIES:
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10	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT BY ROLL CALL: Chair Langdon Plumer, Vice-Chair Aaron Brown, Pete
11	Cameron, Clerk, Jennifer Martel, John Grueter, and Nancy Belanger Select Board Representative
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15	II. JOINT MEETING WITH CONSERVATION COMMISSION, HERITAGE COMMISSION AND
16	HISTORIC DISTRIC COMMISSION
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18	CONSERVATION COMMISSION
19	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Andrew Koff, Vice-Chair Trevor Mattera, Dave Short, Keith
20	Whitehouse, Kyle Welch, Don Clement, Alternate (active), and Nancy Belanger, Select Board
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23	STAFF PRESENT: Kristen Murphy, Conservation & Sustainability Planner
24 25	HERITAGE COMMISSION
26	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Vice-Chair John Merkle, Francoise Elise, Pam Gjetturn (HDC Rep), John
27	Grueter (PB Rep), and Julie Gilman (Select Board Rep)
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29	HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
30	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Grayson Shephard, Vice-Chair Kevin Kahn, Pam Gjettum, Clerk
31	and Julie Gilman (Select Board Rep).
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33	OTHERS PRESENT: Darren Winham, Economic Development Director, Doug Eastman, Code
34	Enforcement Officer, Barbara McEvoy, Deputy Code Enforcement Officer and Greg Bisson, Parks &
35	Recreation Director
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37	The Joint Meeting began at 6:30 PM.
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39	1. Request for board/commission recommendation on the acquisition of 23 Water St (Map 72, Lot 39)
40	from Pairpoint, LLC, owners Elliott Berkowitz and Nancy Phillips, for the purposes of retaining the
41	property as public park.

42 43 Darren Winham, Town of Exeter Economic Development Director presented the proposal by Ms. 44 Phillipps and Mr. Berkowitz of Pairpoint Group, LLC who want to donate 23 Water Street to the Town of 45 Exeter for use as a public park. Mr. Winham noted that per RSA 41:14 the Select Board can buy, sell and acquire property with the recommendation of the Planning Board and Conservation Commission The 46 47 Historic District Commission and Heritage Commission are involved as well due to the historic location of 48 the property. He noted the Select Board would have two public hearings, one tomorrow morning and the second, which must occur within ten to 14 days, will be on December 18th. He noted there will be 49 50 some fundraising to make improvements to the park and some local donation of work by Keith 51 Whitehouse through his lawn care company. 52 53 Don Clement noted improvements will be needed and that is what the fundraising is about. He asked 54 about state approvals and filling in the old foundation and asked that Conservation Commission be kept 55 in the loop. 56 57 Mr. Grueter noted there had been a building there but it had burned down. When it comes time to 58 design the park construction on the street facing edge will reflect the original purpose of the commercial 59 building. 60 61 Pam Gjettum asked about the fish ladder and Mr. Clement noted the fish ladder had been removed 62 when the dam was removed. 63 64 Mr. Cameron asked the sequence of safety improvements to be made to the proposed park. Greg Bisson noted the first step would be putting up a fence. 65 66 67 Ms. Martel asked if a design committee would be formed and who might be on it. Mr. Winham noted 68 Nancy Phillips, Greg Bisson and Dave Sharples would likely be but it would be a Select Board decision. 69 70 Mr. Grueter motioned to send a memo to the Select Board that the Planning Board recommends the 71 acquisition of the Pairpoint Group, LLC property at 23 Water Street, Tax Map #72-39, for the purpose 72 of creating a public park. Ms. Belanger seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the 73 motion passed 6-0-0. 74 75 Chair Grayson motioned to send a memo to the Select Board that the Historic District Commission 76 recommends the acquisition of the Pairpoint Group, LLC property at 23 Water Street, Tax Map #72-39, 77 for the purpose of creating a public park. Vie-Chair Kahn seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all 78 were in favor, the motion passed 4-0-0. 79 80 Ms. Gilman motioned to send a memo to the Select Board that the Heritage Commission recommends 81 the acquisition of the Pairpoint Group, LLC property at 23 Water Street, Tax Map #72-39, for the 82 purpose of creating a public park. Ms. Elise seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, 83 the motion passed 4-0-0.

85 86 87 88	Chair Koff motioned to send a memo to the Select Board that the Conservation Commission recommends the acquisition of the Pairpoint Group, LLC property at 23 Water Street, Tax Map #72-39 for the purpose of creating a public park. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.
89	in juvor, the motion passed 0-0-0.
89 90 91	Planning Board Chair Plumer expressed his sincere appreciation and gratitude to Pairpoint Group, LLC for this gift to the Town.
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93	Ms. Belanger noted that the Select Board meeting tomorrow morning is at 8:00 AM.
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95 96	Ms. Belanger noted that the second public hearing of the Select Board on December 18 th begins with a presentation from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM followed by an open house until 8:30 PM.
97 98 99	Chair Plumer took a brief recess at 7:28 PM.
100	III. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Plumer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and introduced the
101	members.
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102	IV. OLD BUSINESS
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105	APPROVAL OF MINUTES
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107	November 2, 2023
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109	Ms. Belanger recommended edits.
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111	Mr. Grueter motioned to approve the November 2, 2023 minutes, as amended. Ms. Belanger
112	seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.
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114	November 16, 2023 – Tabled
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116	Mr. Cameron asked that the discussion he had concerning the reason for the lot line adjustment and Mr.
117	Murray's response be included in the minutes. Mr. Sharples will ask the recording secretary to review
118	the recording of the meeting.
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120	Ms. Belanger motioned to table approval of the November 16, 2023 meeting minutes. Mr. Grueter
121	seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.
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123	V. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> :
124	1. The continued application of Granite State Construction Services, LLC for a lot line adjustment
125	between the properties at 12 Little River Road and 12A Little River Road (formerly Calvary Baptist
126	Church)
127	R-2, Single Family Residential zoning district

128 Tax Map Parcels #62-90 and #62-90-1 129 Planning Board Case #23-15 130 Chair Plumer read out loud the Public Hearing Notice. 131 132 Mr. Sharples noted that the applicant appeared at the Planning Board's November 15th meeting 133 and the Board approved the lot line adjustment and waiver for the vegetated perimeter strip 134 with conditions. There were concerns over the waiver for storm water management 135 regulations and the hearing was continued to meet with him for further discussions. The 136 applicant submitted revised plans and Mr. Sharples noted that he consulted with UEI and felt 137 138 the proposal would meet stormwater management regulations and Mr. Sharples withdrew his 139 objection. 140 141 Christian Smith of Beals Assoc. noted that Sam Makurkar was present from Granite State Construction. He noted in addition to the drip edges the proposal meets the nutrient removal 142 regulations aside from 5% total nitrogen. Bioretention swales were added. There will be loam 143 and seeding Impervious was reduced by 34%. Mr. Smith noted the roofs are not substantial 144 contributors to nutrient runoff other than leaf drop and bird poop. He noted a simple change 145 146 to the force main sewer cover. He noted the existing manhole was moved 20' back and reviewed by Paul Vlasich. He noted the criteria for the waiver was read into the record at the 147 last meeting. The dimensions of the building boxes were added (38'x46' and 52'x55'). 148 149 150 Chair Plumer opened the hearing to the public for comments and questions at 7:21 PM and being none closed the hearing to the public. 151 152 153 Ms. Martel asked about the driveway, if it would be crowned and Mr. Smith indicated yes. She 154 noted she was concerned with water sheet flowing and Mr. Smith noted the high point and showed the direction of water flow to the swale. 155 156 157 Vice-Chair Brown asked the number of bedrooms and Mr. Smith indicated 3 bedroom 2.5 bath 158 with two car garage. 159 160 Vice-Chair Brown asked about maintenance of the trees and fence and Mr. Smith noted these will be addressed in the condo docs. Ms. Martel noted the fence was a condition of approval at 161 the previous meeting. 162 163 164 Vice-Chair Brown asked Mr. Sharples his position on the waiver request and Mr. Sharples noted the applicant came back with bioretention and drip edge and he had talked to UEI and agreed if 165 done would meet the criteria and he is comfortable with no objection. 166 167

168 Ms. Martel expressed concerns that waiving the stormwater report requirement would trigger a lot of other applicants to request the same. Mr. Smith noted this case was unique and there 169 is a vast reduction in overall impervious so it would not set a precedent. Vice-Chair Brown 170 171 agreed it was unique and the stormwater was being treated. 172 Ms. Martel asked about lawns and fertilizer runoff. Mr. Smith indicated the regulations don't 173 talk about treatment of vegetated areas. Mr. Sharples noted there is a fertilizer ordinance. 174 175 176 Vice-Chair Brown asked that there be a condition that the treatment systems are maintained. Mr. Sharples read the condition out loud: 177 178 179 A stormwater maintenance and inspection log shall be submitted with the final plans to the 180 Town Planner for review and approval. This log shall be referenced in the HOA documents and completed and submitted to the Town Engineer annually on or before January 31st. This shall 181 182 be an ongoing condition of approval. 183 Vice-Chair Brown motioned that after reviewing the criteria for granting waivers that the 184 185 request of Granite State Construction, LLC, Planning Board Case #23-15 for a waiver from Section 9.3.2 of the site plan review and subdivision regulations regarding stormwater 186 187 management requirements for redevelopment be approved with the condition read by the Town Planner. Ms. Belanger seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the 188 189 motion passed 6-0-0. 190 Mr. Sharples read out loud the proposed conditions for the site plan approval: 191 192 193 1. A dwg file of the site plan shall be provided to the Town Planner showing all property lines 194 and monumentation prior to signing the final plans. This plan must be in NAD 1983 State Plane New Hampshire FIPS 2800 Feet coordinates. 195 196 2. All monumentation shall be set prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. 197 198 199 3. A preconstruction meeting shall be arranged by the applicant and their contractor with the 200 Town Engineer prior to any site work commencing. The following must be submitted for review 201 and approval prior to the preconstruction meeting: 202 203 i. The SWPPP (storm water pollutant prevention plan), if applicable, be submitted to and received for approval by DPW prior to preconstruction meeting; and 204 ii. A project schedule and construction cost estimate. 205 206

207 4. All comments in the UEI and TRC comment letters, and any subsequent comments as a result of further review, shall be addressed to the satisfaction of the Town Planner prior to 208 signing the final plans. 209 210 211 5. All appropriate fees to be paid including but not limited to: sewer/water connection fees, 212 impact fees and inspection fees (including third party inspections) prior to the issuance of a building permit or a Certificate of Occupancy whichever is applicable as determined by the 213 214 Town. 215 216 6. All applicable state permit approval numbers shall be noted on the final plans. 217 218 7. All condominium documents including declaration and by-laws shall be submitted to the 219 Town Planner for review and approval prior to signing the final plans. In the event the Town 220 Planner deems that review is needed by the Town Attorney then this review shall be at the 221 applicant's expense. 222 223 8. The limit of cut/disturbance shall be flagged in the field prior to any site work and these flags 224 shall be maintained until a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued. 225 9. The applicant shall submit the land use and stormwater management information about the 226 227 project using the PTAPP Online Municipal Tracking Tool. The PTAPP submittal must be 228 accepted by the DPW prior to the pre-construction meeting. 229 10. Assurances for completion of all proposed common improvements shall be provided in 230 231 accordance with Section 12 of the Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulations prior to any site 232 work. 233 234 Mr. Smith asked about bonding and Mr. Sharples noted bonding is for common improvements 235 unless wait until transfer until all common improvements are done. 236 237 Ms. Belanger motioned that the request of Granite State Construction, LLC, Planning Board 238 Case #23-15 for site plan approval be approved subject to the conditions read by the Town 239 Planner. Mr. Grueter seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion 240 passed 6-0-0. 241 242 2. The application of Mario A. Ponte for a multi-family site plan review for the proposed construction of additional retail and residential units within the existing structure at 243 244 85-87 Water Street 245 WC-Waterfront Commercial zoning district 246 Tax Map Parcel #72-79

247 Planning Board Case #23-18 248 Ms. Belanger recused herself and sat with the public. 249 250 251 Chair Plumer read out loud the Public Hearing Notice and asked if the case was ready to be 252 heard. Mr. Sharples indicated the case was complete for review purposes. 253 254 Vice-Chair Brown motioned to open Planning Board case #23-18. Mr. Cameron seconded the 255 motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0. 256 257 Mr. Sharples noted the applicant is seeking site plan approval for the proposed renovation to 258 accommodate two retail and 9 residential units of which three are existing. The applicant 259 submitted application, plans and documents dated October 10, 2023. The applicant appeared before the Zoning Board of Adjustment for relief from the minimum rear yard setbacks and a 260 Wetlands Conditional Use Permit. The applicant appeared before the ZBA for relief from the 261 minimum parking requirements. A copy of the decision letter and draft minutes were provided. 262 Mr. Sharples noted a waiver will be requested from Section 9.13.1 for parking as set forth in 263 264 article 5.6.6 of the zoning ordinance. The applicant got HDC approval. Mr. Sharples noted he has proposed conditions of approval ready. 265 266 Vice-Chair Brown asked about parking. Mr. Sharples indicated there explained there are some 267 268 that could be provided. 269 270 Chair Plumer opened the hearing to the public for comments and questions at 8:00 PM and 271 being none closed the hearing to the public. 272 273 Mr. Cameron expressed concerns with cumulative effect and asked where cares would go when 274 it snows. Mr. Sharples indicated there were spaces on Court and Elliot Street. Mr. Sharples 275 noted plenty of capacity of the Town manages public parking properly. He noted Stantec is 276 doing an analysis now and will address those issues. 277 278 Mr. Grueter motioned after reviewing the criteria for granting waivers that the request of 279 Mario Ponte, Planning Board Case #23-18 for a waiver from Section 9.13.1 to permit less off-280 street parking than required in accordance with Section 5.6.6 of the zoning ordinance, be approved. Vice-Chair Brown seconded the motion. A vote was taken, Mr. Cameron voted 281 282 nay. The motion passed 4-1-0. 283 Mr. Sharples read out loud the conditions of approval: 284 285

All outdoor lighting (including security lights) shall be down lit and shielded so that no direct
 light is visible from adjacent properties and/or roadways.

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289 Ms. Grueter motioned that the request of Mario Ponte, Planning Board Case #23-18 for a

- 290 *minor site plan approval be approved subject to the condition read by the Town Planner. Ms.*
- 291 Martel seconded the motion. A vote was taken, Mr. Cameron abstained. The motion passed
- 292 **4-0-1**.
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4 Ms. Belanger returned to the meeting table.

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 Bond and/or Letter of Credit Reductions and Release
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304 VII. TOWN PLANNER'S ITEMS

Mr. Sharples noted that at the December 28, 2023 meeting Nate Kelly will be present to go over zoning amendments. Vice-Chair Brown noted it would be helpful to have a public discussion about downtown parking. Mr. Sharples noted that Stantec would be having a presentation at 6:30 PM on Wednesday and it will be recorded. Ms. Belanger noted she watched the recording of the public parking lot and cars were not moving but agreed with Mr. Sharples that there is ample parking, if it is managed and indicated the Select Board will be working on parking ban parking.

311 VIII. CHAIRPERSON'S ITEMS

312 IX. PB REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT ON "OTHER COMMITTEE ACTIVITY"

313 X. ADJOURN

314 Ms. Belanger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 PM. Vice-Chair Brown seconded the

- 315 *motion.* A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 6-0-0.
- 316 Respectfully submitted.
- 317 Daniel Hoijer,
- 318 Recording Secretary
- 319 Via Exeter TV

1 2	TOWN OF EXETER PLANNING BOARD
3	NOWAK MEETING ROOM
4	10 FRONT STREET
5	DECEMBER 28, 2023
6	DRAFT MINUTES
7	7:00 PM
8	I. PRELIMINARIES:
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10	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT BY ROLL CALL: Chair Langdon Plumer, Pete Cameron, Clerk (remotely),
11	Jennifer Martel, John Grueter, and Nancy Belanger Select Board Representative
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13	STAFF PRESENT: Town Planner Dave Sharples
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15	II. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Plumer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and introduced the
16	members.
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18	III. OLD BUSINESS
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20	APPROVAL OF MINUTES
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22	November 16, 2023 and December 7, 2023
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24	Chair Plumer recommended tabling approval of the minutes.
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26	Ms. Belanger motioned to table approval of the the November 16, 2023 and December 7, 2023
27	minutes, as amended. Mr. Grueter seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the
28	motion passed 4-0-0.
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30 24	Mr. Cameron arrived at the meeting (remotely).
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32	IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> :
33	1. Administrative Workshop to discuss proposed zoning amendments considered for 2024 Town
34	Warrant.
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36 27	Mr. Sharples proposed two zoning amendments for the 2024 Town Warrant and indicated if the Board supported those there would be two public hearings on January 11 th and January 25 th . He noted that
37 38	Nate Kelly would be present at the January 11 th hearing. The warrant articles would be due on January
30 39	29 th . Mr. Sharples provided a handout showing the redline changes proposed.
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41	Mr. Sharples noted that the Board supported the continued growth of the Town through housing and
42	commercial business opportunities in a way that was fiscally responsible and environmentally sound,

43 44	-	penefits of undeveloped and developed land and in support of social gathering. He penefits of steering development where infrastructure exists. Earlier last year the Board
45	looked at town	wide rezoning. Mr. Sharples indicated that it made sense, concerning the amount of
46	time and level	of detail required, to do the rezoning in steps.
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48	Mr. Sharples ex	xplained how other towns use a transfer of development rights and how that works.
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50	For the first zo	ning amendment, Mr. Sharples proposed expanding the MUND (Mixed Use Neighborhood
51		into the C-2 district (Portsmouth Avenue/Epping Road). He noted the density and relaxed
52	• •	ts of MUND and the incentive to developing affordable housing.
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54	Ms. Martel ask	ed if relief would be needed to build housing in the C-2 district and Mr. Sharples indicated
55		was allowed in the C-2 zone, however C-3 cannot have residential development without
56	that relief.	
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58	Mr. Sharples in	dicated the second zoning amendment was proposed by the Housing Advisory
59		ncerning residential conversions, to allow a single-family home to convert to a maximum
60		g units provided it meets the minimum lot requirements. Mr. Sharples noted that the
61		or an ADU, which adds one unit, is stricter. Mr. Sharples noted the HAC meets again on
62	•	I will review the proposed changes.
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64	Mr. Sharples di	iscussed the requirement the conversion connect to municipal sewer. He noted there
65	would be the r	equirement to have connection to water available (if it becomes necessary to do so in the
66	future).	
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68	Ms. Martel ask	ed why the requirement for sewer was not the same for ADUs and Mr. Sharples indicated
69	that a certificat	te stating the sewer system is adequate is a requirement for approval of an ADU and one
70	additional unit	is often not as much of an issue as adding three to four units.
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72	Mr. Sharples co	ompared the parking requirement for an ADU which is stricter. He noted there could be
73	four parking sp	aces required for an ADU where one bedroom would require one parking space.
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75	Mr. Sharples n	oted that there was a requirement that the residence exist a minimum of ten years prior
76	to converting b	out that didn't seem to make any sense.
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78	Mr. Sharples n	oted the Town is exploring new groundwater sources.
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80	V. OTHER BU	SINESS
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82	•	Master Plan Discussion
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83	-	Field Madifications
84	•	Field Modifications
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86	•	Bond and/or Letter of Credit Reductions and Release
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- 88 Mr. Sharples reported that a performance guarantee was released for Kady Lane as the 89 condominium association took over and wrote a letter stating that it did not want the 90 improvements.
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92 VII. TOWN PLANNER'S ITEMS

- 93 Mr. Sharples noted that the Stantec presentation concerning the downtown parking analysis on
- 94 December 13th is available to watch on the town website and he highly recommends watching the
- 95 presentation which had interesting recommendations including moving the stop sign by Town Hall to
- 96 the other side of the bandstand and having greenspace in front of the old town hall.

97 VIII. CHAIRPERSON'S ITEMS

98 IX. PB REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT ON "OTHER COMMITTEE ACTIVITY"

99 X. ADJOURN

100 Ms. Belanger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 PM. Mr. Grueter seconded the

- 101 *motion.* A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- 102 Respectfully submitted.
- 103 Daniel Hoijer,
- 104 Recording Secretary
- 105 Via Exeter TV

 PLANNING BOARD NOWAK MEETING ROOM 10 FRONT STREET JANUARY 11, 2024 DRAFT MINUTES 7.00 PM I. PRELIMINARIES: 	r, and Nancy Belanger
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10 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT BY ROLL CALL: Chair Langdon Plumer, Vice-Chai	
11 English, Pete Cameron, Clerk (remotely), Jennifer Martel (remotely), John Gruete	
12 Select Board Representative (remotely)	
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14 STAFF PRESENT: Town Planner Dave Sharples	
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16 II. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Plumer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and in	itroduced the
17 members.	
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19 III. OLD BUSINESS	
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21 APPROVAL OF MINUTES	
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23 November 16, 2023, December 7, 2023 and December 28, 2023	
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25 <i>Mr. Grueter motioned to table approval of the November 16, 2023, December 7</i>	
26 28, 2023 minutes. Vice-Chair Brown seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all	were in favor, the
27 motion passed 7-0-0.	
29 IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS: PUBLIC HEARINGS</u>	
30 Public hearing on the proposed zoning amendment(s) for 2024 Town Meeting wa	rrant. <i>Copies of the</i>
31 <i>full text of the proposed amendments are available in the Planning Office.</i>	
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 Amendment No. 1-24: Amend Article 4, District Regulations, Section 4.2, Scher Nature of the Functor Zamine Ordinance menorities Residential Communications and Activity Section 4.2, Scher 	
 - Notes of the Exeter Zoning Ordinance regarding Residential Conversions and Ac 	cessory Dweiling Units.
Chair Plumer opened the first public hearing at 7:10 PM.	
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Mr. Sharples indicated the goal for the Town to grow within its capacity and cons	ider transportation,
 natural resources, stormwater, drainage, water, and sewer. Mr. Sharples noted t without a DPW Director, Steve Cronin has just started in that position. 	hat after a long time

- 42 Mr. Sharples presented the Schedule I Notes concerning the criteria set forth in Article 5, Section 5.2
- 43 Special Exception for Conversions. He noted that language that has been struck through is being
- removed and language in red is being added.
- 46 Ms. English asked why (c) and (d) were there to begin with. Mr. Sharples indicated he did not know why47 (c) and (d) were there.
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- 49 Mr. Sharples noted conversions allow up to four single-family units.
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51 Vice-Chair Brown questioned whether there should be a formula and Chair Plumer questioned whether
52 there could be a waiver. Mr. Sharples noted five units would trigger a variance. Vice-Chair Brown noted
53 five units is commercial where four are residential.

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- 55 Mr. Sharples explained that currently 30% of the minimum lot size per unit is required for the district so 56 one example would be a lot size of 100,000 SF @ 30,000 SF for three units requires 90,000 SF.
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- 58 Vice-Chair Brown questioned how it would apply to an open space development. Mr. Sharples indicated 59 the same rules would apply, however some HOAs would not allow it in their documents.
- 6061 Mr. Sharples noted that (a) off-street parking would be kept in the criteria and he recommended
- keeping the minimum lot size of 30% in (b). Vice-Chair Brown stated that he did not understand why (b)
 could not be 25%. Chair Plumer agreed.
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- 65 Mr. Grueter questioned whether a builder could go in and get four units, if (c) the requirement that the 66 residence exists for a minimum of ten years) were removed completely and questioned whether it could
- 67 be changed to one year.
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- 69 Mr. Sharples noted that a conversion is allowed by special exception with a public hearing before the
- 70 ZBA, (that requirement is being removed) but abutters are notified, and the conversion must meet the
- criteria for conversions. He noted one unit must be owner occupied. Vice-Chair Brown questioned the
- 72 enforcement mechanism which Mr. Sharples noted was complaint driven and there were mechanisms
- 73 for enforcement such as large daily fines. He noted the HAC recommended one unit be owner occupied.
- 74 Mr. Sharples noted that an addition of 400 SF would require Planning Board approval.75
- 76 Mr. Sharples noted that one to two units is a single-family with ADU whereas three to four units is a
- 77 conversion. He noted that need for septic and potable water was discussed. Water needed to be
- available in the event of PFAS or other contamination and given the nitrogen administrative order
- 79 municipal sewer is preferred. Ms. English requested that Mr. Sharples keep her informed about the
- 80 PFAS. Mr. Sharples noted that the State is working on a voluntary ordinance for municipalities to adopt.
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- Mr. Sharples noted that the requirement for the ZBA to have a public hearing for the special exception
 request for an ADU is removed and unnecessary. He noted that the language requiring conformance
 with dimensional requirements was removed, however the non-conformity can't be increased. He
- 85 noted that the access through side or rear was removed.
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- 87 Mr. Sharples noted that ADUs are not allowed in manufactured housing. Vice-Chair Brown indicated if it
- 88 were allowed in the zone, then the ADU should be appropriate.

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90	Mr. Sharples noted that ADUs were limited to 900 SF but cannot be restricted to less than 750 SF. This
91 02	would be changed to limit size to less than one half of the finished floor. One unit will remain owner-
92 93	occupied and off-street parking required four spaces and he was not sure why so this will change to
	coincide with off-street parking schedules. He noted that ADUs cannot be converted to a condominium
94 95	and must have adequate septic and water and requires an occupancy permit. He noted the special exception language was removed.
95 96	exception language was removed.
90 97	Mr. Sharples reviewed the four changes proposed to the draft presented tonight:
98	in sharples reviewed the four changes proposed to the draft presented tonight.
99	1. 30% to 25%
100	2. 10 years to 1 year
101	3. Manufactured housing if allowed by zoning district
102	4. Struck Special Exception language
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104	Mr. Sharples read out loud a letter received from the Workforce Housing Coalition of the Greater
105	Seacoast in support of the proposed zoning amendments for ADUs and Conversions noting the housing
106	supply shortage and the value of removing the requirement for discretionary hearings for ADUs which
107	many find intimidating. Mr. Taylor applauded the work done by the Housing Advisory Committee and
108	Planning Board.
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110	Vice-Chair Brown motioned to move the existing language to the second public hearing on January 25,
111	2024. Ms. English seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 7-0-0.
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113	Chair Plumer closed the first public hearing at 8:09 PM.
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115	2. Amendment No 2-24: Amend Article 6.19 Mixed Use Neighborhood District of the Exeter Zoning
116	Ordinance by expanding the provision to apply to the C-2, Highway Commercial District and amending
117	some of the existing language.
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119	Chair Plumer opened the second public hearing at 1:09 PM.
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121	Mr. Sharples noted Nate Kelly of Horsely Whidden was present remotely. Mr. Sharples
122	explained that the goal of the amendment is to expand MUND in the C-2 zoning district which is
123	located on Portsmouth Avenue and a portion by Industrial Drive.
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	Mr. Sharplas noted that the requirements are the commercial use he and the ground fleer but
125	Mr. Sharples noted that the requirements are the commercial use be on the ground floor but
126	amendments would allow residential use behind the commercial use. The Board discussed the
127	height requirements in different districts with C-2, 35' and C3, 50' however height could be 50'
128	by special exception in the other commercial district. Vice-Chair Brown noted that 50' is less
129	restrictive where 35' only gets you another floor. Ms. English expressed concerns with what is
130	around it and Mr. Cameron expressed concerns with a canyon effect. Mr. Sharples noted that
131	none of the special exception criteria talks about height, but it cannot negatively impact other

properties. Mr. Kelly did not think there would be a real risk with a big right of way and a lot of space in Exeter.

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135 Vice-Chair Brown motioned to change B4 from 35' to 50' in the C-2 District (plus four stories). 136 Mr. Grueter seconded the motion. A vote was taken, Ms. English was opposed. The motion

137 passed 6-1-0.

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139 Mr. Sharples reviewed the MUND setbacks from 0' to 25' which he noted could be extended without going to the ZBA. He noted that the number of affordable units were rounded up and 140 141 he would like to see similar sized units. He noted that if the units meet Historic District 142 regulations which are stringent, they should be allowed however there is no HDC in the C-2 district. He noted the ground floor in the MUND is 11' minimum in the event there is a 143 144 conversion back to commercial from residential the height will be available. Another change is the requirement for siding changed to "high quality manufactured siding." Ms. English asked if 145 cement fiber is considered manufactured siding and Mr. Sharples indicated it was. 146

- 147148 Mr. Sharples noted there was one change made by the Board to the draft presented:
 - 149 150 1. change 35' to 50' in C2.
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 - 152 Chair Plumer closed the public hearing at 8:43 PM.
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 - Vice-Chair Brown motioned to move the proposed language to the second public hearing on
 January 25, 2024. Mr. Grueter seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the
 motion passed 7-0-0.
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 - 158 V. OTHER BUSINESS
 - 159 160 • Master Plan Discussion
 - 161 162 • Field Modifications
 - Bond and/or Letter of Credit Reductions and Release
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 - 166 VII. TOWN PLANNER'S ITEMS
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 - 168 IX. PB REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT ON "OTHER COMMITTEE ACTIVITY"
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170 X. ADJOURN

- 171 Vice-Chair Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 PM. Ms. Belanger seconded the
- 172 *motion.* A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- 173 Respectfully submitted.
- 174 Daniel Hoijer,
- 175 Recording Secretary
- 176 Via Exeter TV

Schedule I Notes:

1. In addition to the criteria set forth in Article 5, Section 5.2 Special Exception, the following criteria must also be met:

Conversions – The conversion of existing residential buildings (principal residential structure as well as accessory structures) into not more than four (4) dwelling units provided that;

- (a) The number of off-street parking shall comply with Article 5.6 Off-Street Parking;
- (b) The minimum lots size required shall be such that each dwelling unit is provided with thirty 25 percent (3025%) of the minimum lot size (per unit) required for the district;
- (c) The structure has been a residence for a minimum of ten one (10) years;
- (d) The lot must meet a minimum of twenty percent (20%) open space unless otherwise stated in Articles 4.3 and 4.4 Schedule II and III;
- (e) For conversions intended to become rental units, one of the dwelling units shall remain owner-occupied;
- (f) The Board of Adjustment may require the Planning Board to review the proposed site plan. All conversions consisting of three or more units must be reviewed by the Planning Board;
- (g) The Board of Adjustment may allow expansion to an existing structure for the purpose of providing additional area for the units, provided all other requirements are met. Any expansion greater than 400 sq. ft. (footprint) shall require Planning Board review of the proposed site plan;
- (h) Prior to any renovations or building, the owner shall provide evidence to the Town Building Inspector that septic facilities are adequate for all units according to the standards of the Town and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (Water Division). If deemed necessary by the Building Inspector, such evidence shall be in the form of certification by a State of New Hampshire licensed septic systems designer. Also the owner shall provide evidence that there is adequate potable water according to the standards of the State of New Hampshire.
- (i) All conversions shall connect into the municipal sewer system;
- (j) Municipal water shall be available immediately adjacent and accessible to the property.
 (This provision does not require connection to the municipal water system, it only requires that it is available in the event it is ever needed.)
- 2. Accessory Dwelling Units Accessory Dwelling Units must meet the following conditions: in addition to the terms of Article 5.2 Special Exceptions.
 - (a) The property and proposed use must conform to the dimensional requirements of a onefamily lot.
 - (b) No more than one accessory dwelling unit will be allowed in a detached one-family dwelling or in its accessory structure.
 - **(c)** The accessory dwelling unit shall be designed so that the appearance of the building remains essentially that of a one-family dwelling. The Board of Adjustment may require that new entrances be located on the side or in the rear of the building.
 - (d) Accessory dwelling units shall not be allowed in manufactured housing. unless located in a zoning district that allows manufactured housing.
 - (e) For accessory dwelling units within the principal structure, the accessory dwelling unit shall be limited to a maximum of 900 square feet or one-third less than half of the finished

floor area of the principal structure but in no case shall the accessory dwelling unit be restricted to less than 750 square feet in accordance with NHRSA 674:71 to :73, or as the same may be subsequently amended. For accessory dwelling units located in a detached accessory structure, the dwelling unit shall be limited to a maximum of 750 square feet.

- (f) One of the dwelling units shall remain owner-occupied.
- (g) Off-street paved or gravel parking shall be provided for a least four (4) vehicles. Garage and "piggy-back" parking is encouraged. The number of off-street parking shall comply with Article 5.6 Off-Street Parking;
- (h) The structure and lot shall not be converted to a condominium or any other form of legal ownership distinct from the ownership of the existing one-family dwelling. An accessory dwelling unit use shall be recorded by deed addendum at the Registry of Deeds, indicating all the terms of the approval granted.
- (i) Prior to any renovations or building, the owner shall provide evidence to the Town Building Inspector that septic facilities are adequate for both units according to the standards of the Town and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (Water Division). If deemed necessary by the Building Inspector, such evidence shall be in the form of certification by a State of New Hampshire licensed septic systems designer. Also the owner shall provide evidence that there is adequate potable water according to the standards of the State of New Hampshire.
- (j) Once any renovation or construction is completed, or the owner is ready to have a unit occupied, a request must be made to the Building Inspector for an occupancy permit. There will be no occupancy of the accessory unit until the Building Inspector has issued a certificate of occupancy.
- (k) A purchaser of a home that had a special exception granted for an accessory dwelling unit who wants to continue renting any one of the accessory units must comply with all conditions of the permit previously granted. Any change to the prior conditions will require a new application.

As revised by PB 1/11/24

- **A.** The proposed use must have approval of both the Board of Selectmen and Cemetery Trustees.
- **B.** Such proposal does not impair the integrity of the cemetery walls, facilities, drainage, or other physical attributes.
- **C.** The proposed use does not diminish the general solemnity and solitude of the cemetery setting. In this regard, the Board may require appropriate buffering or screening from such proposed use.
- **D.** The proposed use does not pose a public safety hazard to the cemetery or patrons thereof.
- **E.** There are no practical alternatives to the proposed use.

6.19 MIXED USE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT

6.19.1 Eligibility for Conditional Use Permit

An applicant may petition the Planning Board for a Conditional Use Permit, in conjunction with Site Plan Review, to develop a Mixed Used Neighborhood Development (MUND) in accordance with the following criteria:

- **A. Allowed as a Use:** MUND must be identified as an allowable use for the zoning district in which the MUND would be developed, per Section 4.2 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- **B. Collection of Uses:** The development would result in a mix of residential and non-residential uses on site. The collection of proposed uses may include only those enumerated in Schedule I for the zoning district in which the MUND would be developed, except that multi-family residential uses will be deemed a permitted use when included as part of a MUND application. Therefore, any multi-family residential units contained within the MUND do not require a Special Exception.
- **C. Required Outcome:** Where the site on an application contains non- residential use, and an applicant proposes infill residential development to complement the non-residential use, or vice versa, the application may be reviewed as a MUND project. A mix of newly developed uses is not required as part of a MUND application so long as the resulting development will include a mix of uses on site.
- D. Ground Floor Uses: The intent of the MUND is to create mixed use development that is sensitive to the context of the district in which it is built and the Planning Board may consider applications eligible to be considered as MUND

in accordance with the following standards for ground floor uses:

- 1. Ground floor use shall be commercial where pre-existing buildings are rehabilitated or redeveloped that were specifically designed to have commercial use on the ground floor.
- 2. Ground floor uses shall be commercial on streets where the adjacent properties contain commercial use on the ground floor and the installation of a new building would create a continuous pedestrian experience of commercial development.
- 3. Ground floor use may be residential for buildings that have commercial frontage but residential facing the rear of the property.
- 4. Ground floor use may be residential for the entirety of a building where the building is built as part of a larger coordinated MUND application and commercial ground floor use is included in other buildings on the site. In these coordinated multi-building developments, ground floor commercial use shall be facing the frontage of the property to the degree possible.

C.E. Expansions or Alterations to Previous MUND Projects: Expansions or alternations to projects previously approved as MUND projects may be reviewed under this section of the Zoning Ordinance.

D.F. Design and Inclusionary Housing: Compliance with the terms of 6.19.4 (Inclusionary Housing) and 6.19.5 (MUND Design Standards) is required unless some ability for relief is specifically identified in those sections.

6.19.2 Parking Requirements

A. Minimum Parking Space Requirements

- 1. For residential use, the minimum number of parking spaces shall be one space per unit regardless of the number of bedrooms.
- 2. For non-residential use, the minimum requirements listed in Section 5.6.6 of the Zoning Ordinance shall be reduced by 50%.

B. Alternatives to Strict Compliance with Minimum Parking Requirements

The Planning Board may allow the applicant to provide up to 100% of the minimum parking requirements off-site. The applicant must demonstrate, through the use of maps and/or site plans, that the number of spaces is adequate and access will be safe and convenient.

6.19.3 Dimensional Requirements

The<u>se</u> dimensional requirements provided in the zoning district in which the MUND would be developed shall govern with the following exceptions. These standards are unique to MUND applications. <u>In all cases, the dimensional standards found in Section</u>

A. The C-1 District

- 1. Minimum front yard setback shall be zero feet.
- 2. Maximum front yard setback for newly constructed frontage building shall be twenty-five (25) feet. The design of frontage area shall comply with Section 6.19.5.D.
- 3. Minimum side yard setback shall be zero feet for buildings sharing a party wall. For buildings not sharing a party wall, the minimum side yard setback shall be five feet.
- 2.4. Minimum rear yard setback shall be 20 feet.
- 3.5. For the C-1 District located in Exeter's Downtown—bordered generally by Water Street, Maple Street and Spring Street—this C-1 District shall have a maximum building height of fifty (50) feet or four stories.
- 4.6. For the C-1 District located along Portsmouth Avenue, this C-1 District shall have a maximum building height of fifty (50) feet or four stories.
- 5.7. For the C-1 District that contains portions of Lincoln Street, Garfield Street, and Rockingham Street, this C-1 District shall have a maximum building height of thirty-five (35) feet.
- 6.8. The area per dwelling unit requirement shall not apply to MUND applications.

B. The C-2 District

- 1. Minimum front yard setback shall be zero feet.
- 2. Maximum front yard setback for newly constructed frontage building shall be twenty-five (25) feet. The design of frontage area shall comply with Section 6.19.5.D. The setback may be extended to the extent required to accommodate outdoor amenities complementary to the proposed development.
- 3. For the C-2 District located along Portsmouth Avenue, this C-2 District shall have a maximum building height of fifty (50) feet or four stories.
- 4. For the C-2 District that contains portions of Industrial Drive and Epping Road, this C-2 District shall have a maximum building height of thirty-five (35) feet.
- 5. The area per dwelling unit requirement shall not apply to MUND applications.

B.C. The WC District

- 1. Minimum front yard setback shall be zero feet.
- 2. Maximum setback for newly constructed frontage building shall be twenty-five (25) feet. The design of frontage area shall comply with Section 6.19.5.E.

- 3. Maximum building height shall be fifty (50) feet.
- 4. The area per dwelling unit requirement shall not apply to MUND applications.

6.19.4 Inclusionary Housing

A. Purpose and Authority

- 1. Pursuant to the Exeter Master Plan, the Town wishes to expand housing diversity in mixed use districts in order to increase the vibrancy of these districts, stimulate the local economy, and provide access to rental and homeownership options that are not possible in other districts.
- 2. Pursuant to RSA 647:21, IV(a), MUND (and the associated inclusionary zoning requirement) is one of many allowable uses in the zoning districts where it is offered and is therefore voluntarily pursued by an applicant. Further, consistent with the aforementioned statute, the MUND uses inclusionary zoning in response to a series of incentives, including:
 - Maximum multi-family density in the C-1 District is one unit per 3,500 SF. Maximum multi-family density in the WC District is one unit per 750 SF. MUND removes these density caps and allows for parking requirements, maximum building height, and site constraints to dictate the number of allowable residential units.
 - b. Allowable building height is increased in two of the three C-1 Zoning Districts where an applicant pursues MUND.
 - c. Parking requirements for MUND applications are significantly reduced.

B. Restrictions on Sales and Rental Price

- 1. A-<u>The</u> minimum <u>number of 10% of all inclusionary</u> units proposed required in accordance with the terms of this ordinance will be sold or rented at the prices specified herein for rental or home ownershipshall be determined in two steps. First, the applicant shall multiply the total number of proposed residential units on the site by 10%. Second, where necessary, the applicant shall round to the nearest integer according to standard mathematical procedures. Any number that results from the first step with a decimal below 0.5 shall be rounded down. Any number that results from the first step with a <u>decimal at 0.5 or above shall be rounded up</u>. For the inclusionary units, the applicant may propose exclusively rental, exclusively home ownership, or some combination of the two. Units shall be calculated as whole numbers and rounded up</u>. For example, if 22 units of housing are proposed, three-two affordable units are needed to meet a minimum of 10% the minimum requirement. If 25 units are proposed, three affordable units are required.
- 2. For the inclusionary units, the applicant may propose exclusively rental, exclusively home ownership, or some combination of the two.
- 2.3. For home ownership, the initial sales price shall be affordable for a

household with an income not more than 80% of the HUD area median income for a family of four as most recently reported by New Hampshire Housing.

- 3.4. For rental property, rental rates shall be affordable to a household with an income not more than 60% of the HUD median area income for a family of three as most recently reported by New Hampshire Housing.
- 4.5. The inclusionary housing units shall be on-site and shall be designed and constructed in a manner that makes them fully consistent in form, materials, architectural details, and internal systems with market rate units in the same development. The inclusionary housing units shall have a mix of bedroom counts that is generally consistent with the development as a whole. The size of the different inclusionary units shall generally be consistent with the market rate units in the overall development, comparing the units by bedroom count.
- 5.6. Inclusionary housing units will be sold or rented at the required level of affordability in perpetuity using a deed restriction that includes a housing agreement. The deed restriction and housing agreement the owner proposes to use shall be submitted to the Planning Board as part of the development application process. Applicants are encouraged to contact the Planning Department for guidance on the development of an acceptable housing agreement.
- 6.7. No certificate of occupancy shall be issued for an inclusionary housing unit without written confirmation of the income eligibility of the tenant or buyer of the inclusionary housing unit and confirmation of the rent or price of the inclusionary housing unit as documented by an executed lease or purchase and sale agreement.
- 7.8. On-going responsibility for monitoring the compliance with resale and rental restrictions on inclusionary housing units shall be the responsibility of the Planning Board or its designee.
- 8.9. For rental inclusionary units, the owner or his/her designee shall prepare an annual report, due on January 31, certifying that the gross rents of affordable units, the sale and resale price, and the household income of renters/buyers are in compliance with this ordinance. Such reports shall be submitted to the Planning Board or its designee. Failure to submit the annual report, or an annual report that shows non-compliance, will be treated as violations of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 9-10. Where monitoring of income levels in rental inclusionary units shows the tenant no longer qualifies based on increases in income, the next available rental unit in the development shall be rented and restricted to the income level specified in subsection B.3 (above).
- 10.11. Inclusionary units offered for sale and approved by the Planning Board as part of a MUND and subject to RSA 674:58-61 shall require a restrictive covenant and lien granted to the Town of Exeter. The restrictive covenant and lien shall be in perpetuity, but may be terminated or modified at the Town's discretion. The initial value of the lien shall be equal to the difference between the fair market value of the unit and its reduced affordable sale price, which is indexed according to the qualifying income standards. The Town's lien is

indexed over time at a rate equal to a consumer price index identified in the restrictive covenant and lien document. Future maximum resale limits shall be calculated as the fair market value minus the adjusted lien value and a transaction administrative fee. Subsequent sales prices are not limited based on income targets, but on the housing unit's fair market value, minus the adjusted lien value.

6.19.5 MUND Design Standards

A. Purpose

Pursuant to the Exeter Master Plan, the Town provides design standards herein to ensure the districts where MUND can occur will continue to develop in a manner that creates active, safe, and walkable neighborhoods.

Development approved as part of MUND applications will follow core principles of good urban design by locating buildings, parking areas, sidewalks, and walkways in a manner that facilitates comfortable pedestrian travel. Further, the architectural style of new buildings will incorporate important principles of traditional New England architecture to ensure new construction is consistent with Exeter's architectural heritage. The Town also recognizes that these areas are heavily developed, and it may not be possible to redevelop properties or develop infill projects while strictly adhering to these principles of urban design and traditional architecture. These standards therefore include opportunities to deviate from strict compliance where it is in the best interest of the Town.

B. Applicability of Design Standards

The following design standards apply to MUND applications. These standards are in addition to other building and development standards found in these regulations and supersede other standards where a conflict may exist. As part of the Conditional Permit application, the applicant may propose, and the Planning Board may allow, deviation from any of the design standards below where an applicant can demonstrate one of the following conditions:

- 1. The proposed deviation represents a need that goes beyond convenience for the applicant or is requested primarily as a cost-saving measure.
- 2. The scope of site disturbance and construction improvements will not include any work related to a particular site design standard. For example, if a preexisting parking area will be retained and remain undisturbed through the redevelopment process, the Planning Board may deem that site design standards for parking will not apply and the parking lot may remain in its preexisting form. The Planning Board shall review these requests on a case-bycase basis and may condition the approval of an application on future improvements to the site creating greater compliance with these design standards.
- 3. The scope of development and construction improvements will not include any

work related to a particular building standard. For example, if a pre-existing building will be retained and unimproved, building standards will not apply and the building may remain in its pre-existing form. The Town may still require conformance with standards related to signage, lighting, and similar features where practicable.

- 4. The location of pre-existing buildings, utilities, accessways, or other built features creates a situation where it is not practicable to achieve compliance with the design standards.
- 5. Site topography, the condition of underlying soils, or pre-existing contamination create a situation where it is not practicable to achieve compliance with the design standards.
- 6. Landscaping requirements would make it impossible to provide parking spaces that would otherwise enable the development of housing.
- 7. Deviation from site design standards would facilitate better stormwater management or site circulation.

Where the Historic District Commission has approved the design of proposed buildings, the Planning Board shall presume compliance with the MUND Design standards that apply to the building design, specifically Sections 6.19.5.J-O.

C. Application Contents

The applicant shall provide the materials called for in the Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulations for the Town of Exeter. It is the responsibility of the applicant to depict site design, architectural elevations, and street level renderings in a manner that allows the Planning Board to clearly determine compliance with these design standards.

D. Circulation

The design of individual properties or groups of properties shall reinforce the purposes of MUND by encouraging pedestrian and bicycle circulation. Pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure shall be provided using the following site design techniques:

- 1. Pedestrian connections between sidewalks and buildings and between buildings separated by a parking lot shall be designed to be safe, broad, and easily identifiable.
- 2. Pedestrian connections that cross parking lots must be designed to clearly show that the space is primarily dedicated to pedestrian traffic using raised or alternative surfaces, signage or raised landscaped islands that serve as a safe resting area for pedestrians between automobile travel lanes.
- 3. Where sidewalks or other pedestrian or bikeways intersect with automobile driveways or lanes, raised surfaces and/or durable, decorative alternatives to conventional pavement must be used to connect sidewalks or bikeways across the automobile lane. On its own, striping across the asphalt used for an

automobile lane to connect sidewalks or walkways is not adequate to achieve this goal.

E. Property Frontage (see Figure 6.19.5.1)

Buildings located along the property frontage (frontage buildings) shall be located and oriented to engage pedestrians that may pass along the frontage of the property. Where an applicant proposes, and the Town approves, improvements in the public right-of-way, an agreement shall be executed that binds the applicant to maintenance of these improvements. The applicant may propose, and the Town may accept, responsibility for some or all of such improvements.

- Frontage buildings, whether newly constructed or re-used, shall be connected to the right-of-way in a manner that facilitates pedestrian and/or bicycle activity. The areas between the front façade of frontage buildings and the right-of-way shall accommodate pedestrian/bicyclist space and associated amenities.
- 2. Travel lanes for automobiles shall not be located in the frontage area except where access driveways into the site are needed.
- 3. Frontage sidewalks should be reinforced concrete and have a minimum width of eight (8) feet. The Planning Board may approve varied finishes for the reinforced concrete or alternative materials that are consistent with the purposes of MUND. Standard asphalt coverage is not appropriate for sidewalk areas. Where the distance between the edge of pavement in the street and the building façade allows, sidewalks may be greater than eight (8) feet wide. The remainder of this area may include benches, lighting, landscaping, street trees, trash receptacles, and other amenities. Where space in the frontage is adequate, site plans shall identify which amenities the applicant is committed to providing.

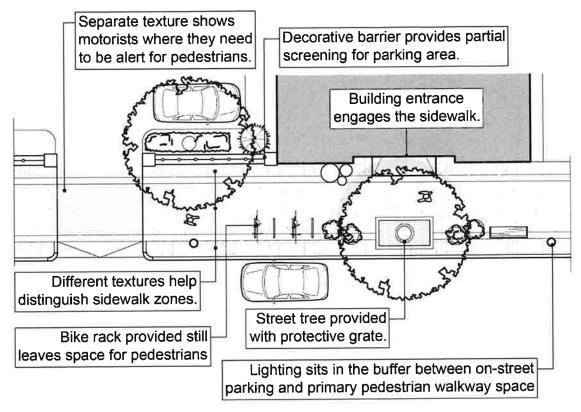


Figure 6.19.5.1

F. Landscaping

- 1. Street trees must be spaced along the sidewalk at an average frequency of one tree every 40 feet.
- 2. All areas of a site that are not rendered impervious through the development of structures, parking features, circulation features, or other hardscape features should be landscaped with vegetation.
- 3. Native species should be used wherever possible in landscaped areas. No tree, shrub, or any other plant shall be installed that has been included on the most recently published list of prohibited plants by the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food.
- 4. Landscaping, trees, and plants must be planted in a growing condition according to accepted horticultural best practices and shall be maintained in a healthy growing condition. Where applicable, ANSI A300 Standards for Tree Care Operations, as revised, shall apply. All landscaping shown on plans shall be maintained and any dead or dying vegetation shall be replaced, no later than the following growing season, as long as the site plan remains valid. This condition is not intended to circumvent the revocation procedures set forth in State statutes.

- a. All-Season: Landscaped areas should be designed to remain functional and attractive during all seasons through a thoughtful selection of deciduous, evergreen, berrying, and flowering plant varieties.
- b. Turf: Turf is discouraged and, where it is used, must not be planted in strips less than five (5) feet wide. Turf seed mixes should be drought resistant. To achieve a high level of drought tolerance, turf seed mixes may include, but shall not be limited to, a predominance of fine fescues.
- c. Plant Hardiness: Plant varieties should be selected for cold-hardiness as well as resistance to drought, moisture, salt, urban conditions, or insects and other pests depending on the location of landscaping and the specific stressors anticipated for different areas of the site.
- d. Minimal Care: Plants should be selected so that landscaping can be maintained with minimal care and the need for irrigation, pesticides, or fertilizers can be minimized or eliminated.

G. Surface Parking

- 1. For surface parking areas associated with newly developed sites, parking areas shall be located behind or to the side of frontage buildings on the property.
- 2. Where a pre-existing surface parking area is adjacent to a sidewalk, internal walkway, or other pedestrian space, the parking area may remain in use so long as the applicant provides a landscaped buffer between the parking area and the pedestrian space as follows:
 - a. At a minimum, the landscaped buffer shall include a decorative barrier, which may be designed as brick or stone finish walls, decorative fencing, or a combination of these treatments.
 - b. In addition to and inclusive of a decorative barrier, to the extent practicable, the landscaped buffer should include planted areas designed to provide separation between the surface parking area and the pedestrian space while allowing pedestrians to maintain visual awareness between the two areas. The parking area shall not be fully screened from the pedestrian way. (see Figure 6.19.5.2)

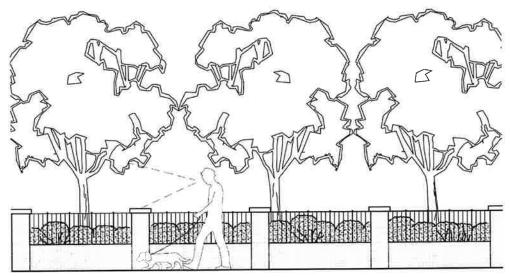


Figure 6.19.5.2

- 3. For developments with proposed surface parking areas of ten (10) spaces or more, a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the designated parking area shall be landscaped. This calculation may include any landscaped borders surrounding the parking lot where the landscaped borders are predominantly ornamental vegetation and/or are specifically designed to provide stormwater treatment. Borders that are predominantly stone, turf, fencing, or screening shall not be counted toward this requirement.
- 4. The ends of parking aisles in surface lots that are more than fifteen (15) spaces in length must incorporate landscape islands at either end of the row. Each island shall include at least one tree that is two (2) inches in caliper at the time of planting. Where the length of a parking aisle exceeds twenty-five (25) spaces, additional landscaped islands must be installed at regular intervals. This interval must not be more than every thirteen (13) spaces.
- 5. Parking areas for five (5) or more cars or any travel lane that lie along a side or rear lot line shall be separated from adjacent properties by a landscaped buffer at least five (5) feet in width. This standard does not apply where the travel lane or parking area is intentionally designed to cross the property line to facilitate better circulation and/or shared parking.

H. Fencing and Screening

- 1. All solid waste enclosures, service areas, mechanical equipment, and utilities must be screened from view through the use of fencing and/or landscaping that is effectively opaque.
- 2. Chain link fencing is prohibited in front and side yards within MUND proposals unless it is necessary for security standards unique to the

individual use, is vinyl coated, and is screened using evergreen trees (minimum six (6) feet in height) and/or shrubs.

- **I. Lighting** (see Figure 6.19.5.3)
 - Lighting for parking areas and public/gathering spaces shall be decorative in shape, scale, and finish, with detailed, articulated treatments for the base, post, fixture, and crown. Where decorative street lighting is already installed, the design of proposed lighting standards and fixtures must be consistent with or complementary to said lighting.
 - 2. Light poles and fixtures must not exceed twenty (20) feet in height.
 - 3. Height is measured from finished grade to the highest point of the structure. Structural features used to anchor light standards (e.g., concrete pilings) must not protrude more than six (6) inches from the ground.

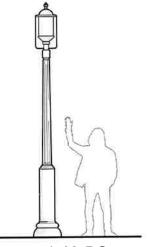


Figure 6.19.5.3 This illustration shows the proper scale and attention to aesthetic detail.

- **J. Building Form** (see Figures 6.19.5.6 and 6.19.5.7)
 - 1. Multi-story buildings must clearly articulate the base, middle (where applicable), and top of the building using cornices, borders of distinct material, or other articulating features on every visible surface of the building.
 - 2. In new non-residential or mixed-use construction, gRegardless of the proposed use and regardless of the overall building height, ground floors in a MUND application shall be a minimum of eleven (11) feet from floor to ceiling to enhance the pedestrian streetscape, regardless of the overall building height.
 - 3. All buildings with façades longer than forty (40) feet must articulate the façade with varied rooflines, distinct signage for multiple tenants, awnings, arcades, pilasters, columns, recessed spaces and/or entrances, and any other features that serve to add texture to these longer façades.
 - 4. The front façade of any new frontage building shall be designed to appear as the front of the building and shall have a primary entrance.
- **K. Building Entranceways** (see Figures 6.19.5.6 and 6.19.5.7)
 - 1. All buildings must have a principal façade and entry (with operable doors) facing a street or other area dedicated to pedestrian circulation. Buildings may have more than one principal façade and/or entry. Primary entrances

not facing a street must open onto sidewalks or other designated pedestrian areas that are at least ten (10) feet in width. The street façade must be designed to appear to be a principal point of entry for the building.

- 2. Main entrances must incorporate architectural features that draw attention to the entrance. These features may include covered porches, distinct sidewalk surfacing, porticos, recessed doorways, and awnings.
- L. Roofline Form (see Figures 6.19.5.6 and 6.19.5.7)
 - 1. The roof design for new buildings shall provide a variety of building heights and varied roofline articulation. Local models reflecting traditional New England architecture shall provide context for the selection of roof forms. These models include gables, gambrels, flat roofs, mansards and any jointed configuration of these styles. Decorative spires or towers may also be used to articulate rooflines and to provide focal points within a complex of principal buildings.
 - For new buildings or replacement roofing, industrial style metal materials visible from the street shall not be permitted. Metal roofing materials that use decorative finishes and textures for visual accent may be allowed. Visible metal materials necessary for structural integrity, fastening, sealing or other essential purpose are also allowed.
 - 3. Where flat roof lines are proposed, flat roofs shall have decorative cornices or parapets that shield all views of any mechanical systems located on the roof from the street or from windows at a lower elevation in adjacent buildings.
 - 4. Downspouts shall match or be complementary to gutters in material and finish.
 - 5. Utilities and protuberances through or on the front facing roofs are highly discouraged and should generally be shielded from view.

M. Dormers (see Figure 6.19.5.4)

- On pitched rooflines, dormers shall be used to break up roof surfaces and shall be provided at a minimum frequency of one per thirty (30) horizontal feet or fraction thereof.
- 2. Dormer styles may include doghouse, eyebrow, or shed dormers.

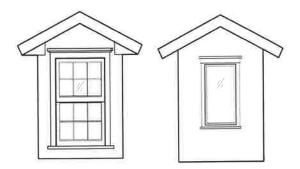


Figure 6.19.5.4

The dormer on the left shows the proper scale and form of a dormer window. The dormer on the right provides a window that is too small and shows no aesthetic detail. 3. Windows shall fill the face wall of the dormer to the maximum extent practicable and match the windows in the rest of the building.

N. Fenestration (see Figure 6.19.5.5)

- Window bays in façades above the first floor (above street level) shall have a minimum width-toheight ratio of 1:2. Multiple bays may be placed immediately adjacent to one another in order to create larger window areas. This does not apply to dormers (see subsection L)
- 2. Mullion pattern and thickness shall reflect traditional New England design with broad decorative surfaces between

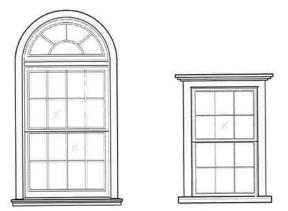


Figure 6.19.5.5 These windows show how different treatments still comply with the basic design standards.

windows. Mullion finishes that would be highly reflective or industrial in nature are not allowed.

- 3. Windows on the ground floor shall begin no lower than two (2) feet above street level and shall extend at a minimum height of seven (7) feet from street level.
- 4. Clear, non-reflective glass with minimal tinting shall be used at street level to allow maximum visual interaction between pedestrians and the interior of the building.
- 5. Street level façades shall have a transparency of at least fifty (50) percent.

O. Building Materials

- 1. Materials and building treatments shall be used that reduce the visibility of buildings from distant vantage points and shall be consistent and compatible with traditional New England design and construction.
- 2. Where more than one material is used for siding, traditionally heavier materials (stone, brick, concrete with stucco, etc.) shall be located below lighter materials (wood, fiber cement board, siding, etc.). The change in material shall occur along a horizontal line, preferably at the floor level.
- 3. For finished siding and foundations, natural materials such as brick, stone, wood/concrete clapboards and shingles, and slate are allowed. Asphalt shingles or similar materials for roofing are allowed. High-quality cement-fiber manufactured siding designed to preserve the traditional aesthetic character of the district is also allowed.
- 4. Finish colors should be used to differentiate between important features

(e.g., foundations, entranceways, windows, decorative borders, etc.) and can be used to differentiate between building stories. Generally, it is preferable to use two or three colors inclusive of masonry. The main color(s) on a building should generally be nature blending, earth tone, neutral, or pastel in character. Bright colors should be limited to accent features and/or entranceways. High intensity colors, metallic colors, or fluorescent colors should not be used.



Figure 6.19.5.6

This image is designed to illustrate several of the MUND Design Standards.

<u>Roofline Form</u>: The image shows the interplay between dormers and jointed roofs. In this case, a jointed gable configuration along the "doghouse" dormers reflects typical New England architecture.

<u>Ground Floor Design</u>: The ground floor is slightly taller than floors above it and incorporates a high level of transparency to visually connect people on the sidewalk with what is available inside the building.

Entrances: The entranceways to the building are made more prominent through the use of signage and different materials.

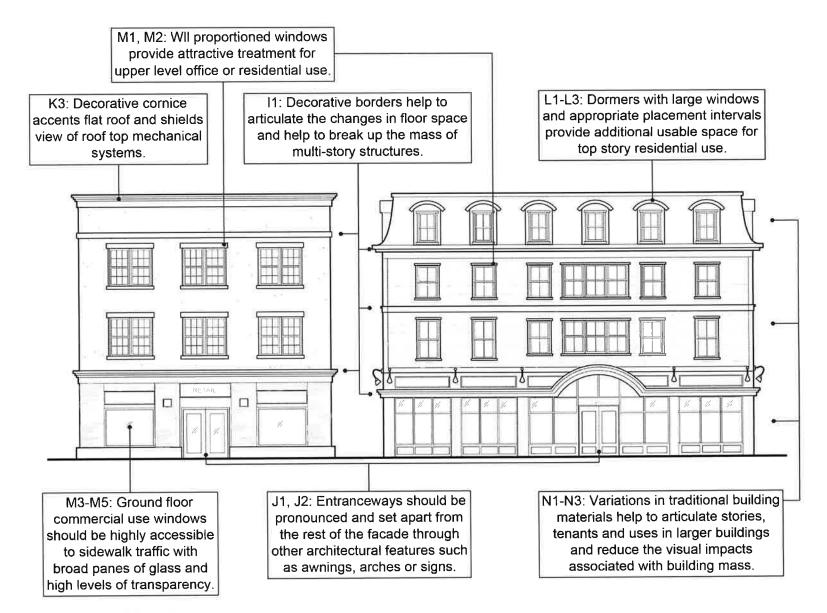


Figure 6.19.5.7