

PLANNING COMMISSION

The charge of the Planning Commission is to assist the Council in achieving the Town's Comprehensive Plan for orderly growth and development by analyzing, evaluating, and recommending responsible town policies, ordinances, and planning standards that manage land use and involving the community in long-range planning.

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL ON APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

November 2, 2021

Recommendation to Council: Approval Approval with Conditions Denial

Motion: Commissioner Bench moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to recommend Town Council appoint James Bartow to the Planning Commission

Vote: 5-3

Ayes: Chair Michael Everhart, Neal Bench, John Rees, Jon Mitchell, Stephen Whitlow

Nays: Vice Chair James Baxter, Elizabeth Losos, Louie Rivers

The Planning Commission unanimously agreed to the following text:

The Planning Commission narrowly selected James Bartow to fill one seat, but did not elect to choose a second member.

The Planning Commission feels the Town needs to work to recruit and appoint more diverse candidates as the current composition is heavily biased to males and only one person of color.

As a starting point, the Town needs to have representation from a woman of color on the Planning Commission.

Vote: 8-0

Ayes: Chair Michael Everhart, Vice Chair James Baxter, Neal Bench, John Rees, Jon Mitchell, Elizabeth Losos, Louie Rivers, Stephen Whitlow

Nays:

Prepared by: Michael Everhart, Chair, Planning Commission