

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 FOR BLUE HILL MASSING STANDARDS TEXT AMENDMENT

January 7, 2020

Recommendation: Approval Approval with Conditions Denial

Motion: Neal Bench moved and Melissa McCullough seconded a motion to recommend that the Council find the text amendment consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

Vote: 7 – 1

Yeas: John Rees (Chair), Louie Rivers (Vice-Chair), Neal Bench, Michael Everhart, Melissa McCullough, Whit Rummel, Buffie Webber

Nays: Stephen Whitlow

- Reason for Nay: Cited too many unknowns, and that there should be a broader scope for addressing what is needed in the Blue Hill District.

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Motion: Melissa McCullough moved and Neal Bench seconded a motion to recommend that the Council approve Ordinance A as presented, with a condition to encourage a variety of housing types, especially the missing middle, and to drop the 10% commercial requirement if necessary to achieve those housing types.

Vote: 7 – 1

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Recommendation covers Commission's full review of the Blue Hill Massing Study. Specific findings on Townhomes are highlighted in yellow.