

Arlington Redevelopment Board
Monday, April 25, 2022 at 7:00 PM
Meeting Conducted Remotely via Zoom
Meeting Minutes

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PRESENT: Rachel Zsembery (Chair), Eugene Benson, Kin Lau, Melisa Tintocalis, Steve Revilak

STAFF: Jennifer Raitt, Director of Planning and Community Development and Kelly Lynema, Assistant Director

The Chair called the meeting to order and notified all attending that the meeting is being recorded by ACMi.

The Chair explained that this meeting is being held remotely in accordance with the Governor's March 12, 2020, order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c. 30A, Section 20. This order from Governor Baker allows for meetings to be held remotely during this time to avoid public gatherings.

The Chair asked if Ms. Raitt would provide an update to the Board regarding the Housing Production Plan before the Board starts the first agenda item. Ms. Raitt notified the Board that the Housing Production Plan was adopted by the Select Board with some minor amendments. The updated Housing Production Plan then goes to the Department of Housing and Community Development for final approval. Ms. Raitt said that there is interest to have another joint meeting between the Redevelopment Board and the Select Board.

The Chair reviewed the upcoming Board meeting dates during Town Meeting.

The Chair introduced the first agenda item, 2022 Special Town Meeting – Zoning Warrant Articles.

Ms. Raitt reviewed the amendments suggested by the Board for the Family child care article 2.

Mr. Lau moved to recommend favorable action for Article 2, Mr. Benson seconded, approved 5-0.

The Chair introduced Article 3, Signs for shared mobility stations. Ms. Raitt reviewed the amended language for Article 3 and explained that micro-mobility options were also added to that section.

Mr. Lau said ~~that he thought~~ that if the signs did not have anything to do with the mobility rentals ~~it they~~ the signs should be considered advertisement and subject to sign review. Mr. Lau would like to avoid undesirable types of signage or advertisements (like tobacco ads for example).

The Chair said that the Board does not have jurisdiction over the sign content; the Select Board has jurisdiction over the content and type of advertising allowed for mobility stations.

Ms. Tintocalis said she would like to remind the Select Board that they are responsible for reviewing advertisements.

Mr. Lau moved to recommend favorable action for Article 3, Ms. Tintocalis seconded, approved 5-0.

The Chair introduced Article 4, Nonconforming Single-Family or Two-Family Dwellings. Ms. Raitt reviewed updates to this Article. Mr. Benson said that he spoke with Christian Klein, Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals, and Mr. Klein said that section C of this article leads to some confusion and he would like this section removed.

Mr. Lau moved to recommend favorable action for Article 4, Ms. Tintocalis seconded, approved 5-0.

The Chair introduced the second agenda item, Meeting Minutes (3/28/2022). The members of the Board provided updates and corrections to the 3/28/2022 draft minutes.

Mr. Benson moved to approve the 3/28/2022 meeting minutes as amended, Mr. Lau seconded, approved 5-0.

Mr. Lau moved to adjourn to Town Meeting, Ms. Tintocalis seconded, approved 5-0.

Meeting adjourned.

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