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RECOMMENDATION REPORT OF THE LEXINGTON PLANNING BOARD

ARTICLE 37: AMEND ZONING BYLAW – ACTION DEADLINE FOR MAJOR SITE PLAN REVIEW

RECOMMENDATION

On Wednesday, February 15, 2023, after three public hearings, the Planning Board unanimously voted five (5) in favor and none (0) opposed, to recommend that Town Meeting **approve** Article 37 to amend the Zoning Bylaw to extend the action deadline for major site plan review from 60 days to 150 days.

JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDATION

Changing the time to review a major site plan from 60 days to 150 days gives the Planning Board and staff more time to review applications and gives the developer time to respond to comments during the public hearing. The proposed deadline is in line with typical special permit and subdivision review times.

PUBLIC PROCESS:

On Wednesday, February 1, 2023, after publication of the legal advertisement in the Lexington Minuteman Newspaper on January 12, 2023 and January 19, 2023, the Planning Board opened the public hearing. Continued public hearings were held on February 8 and February 15. The public hearing closed on February 15 and the Board voted to recommend approval of Article 37.

RECORD OF THE VOTE:

Michael Schanbacher moved that the Planning Board recommend that Town Meeting **approve** the motion under Article 37 as presented. Melanie Thompson seconded the motion. The Planning Board voted in favor of the motion 5-0-0 (Roll Call: Robert Creech – yes, Charles Hornig – yes, Robert Peters – yes, Michael Schanbacher – yes, Melanie Thompson – yes).

SIGNATURE OF THE PLANNING BOARD CHAIR

Robert D. Peters

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