DOUGLAS & SUTTON PLANNING BOARDS Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2021

*Note- This meeting was held remotely via Zoom in accordance with Executive Orders from Governor Baker. T. Settles read a notice regarding the remote meeting format. (see end of minutes)

Present:

Douglas:

E. Marks Jr., M. Greco, J. Schultzberg, A. Socrat, L. Stevens, M. Zwicker

Sutton:

W. Baker, M. Gagan, R. Largess Jr., S. Paul, W. Talcott (Associate acting as full member)

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Uxbridge:

Not present

Absent:

T. Sharkey (Douglas), K. Bergeson (Sutton)

Staff:

Douglas: Ian McElwee, CMRPC & Bob Minarik, Economic Development Facilitator

Sutton: J. Hager, Sutton Planning & Economic Development Director Uxbridge: Michael Gallerani, Economic & Community Development

Trish Settles, Deputy Director and Kerrie Salwa, Principle Planner were present from Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission. At the request of the towns, they served as meeting facilitators for this multi-town meeting.

T. Settles read a portion of the hearing notice to remind all for the reason for the hearing and conducted a roll call to determine what members of the three Planning Board and staff were present as recorded above. She then conducted the process of approving the minutes of the last meeting.

Douglas:

Motion:

To approve the minutes of 3/11/2021, M. Zwicker

2nd:

J. Schultzberg

Vote:

6-0-0: E. Marks Jr.-aye, L. Stevens - aye, M. Greco-aye, J. Schultzberg-aye, A. Socrat

aye, M. Zwicker-aye

Sutton:

Motion:

To approve the minutes of 2/25/2021, M. Gagan

2nd:

S. Paul

Vote:

5-0-0: W. Baker-aye, M. Gagan-aye, R. Largess Jr.-aye, S. Paul-aye, W. Talcott - aye

T. Settles summarized that this meeting was the fourth night of this public hearing. The first night, 2/11/21 provided a general overview of this 640,000 s.f. warehouse project. The second night 2/25/21 dealt with traffic, and the third night 3/11/21 dealt with architecture, civil engineering and other site details. Tonight's meeting was meant to continue commentary but the applicant has requested a continuance.

Attorney Todd Brodeur of Fletcher Tilton PC requested a continuance on behalf of his client Scannell Properties noting they needed more time to respond to peer review and other commentary. He apologized for everyone having to come out just to effect the continuance but expressed appreciation. HE requested an extra half hour at the next meeting which he suggested be potentially on April 15th.

Motion:

To continue the public hearing to 4/15/21 at 7 PM and adjourn tonight's meeting,

M. Zwicker

2nd.

M. Greco

Vote:

6-0-0: E. Marks Jr.-Aye, M. Greco-Aye, J. Schultzberg-Aye, A. Socrat-Aye,

M. Zwicker-Aye, L. Stevens-Aye

Sutton:

Motion:

To continue the public hearing to March 11th at 7 PM and adjourn tonight's meeting,

M. Gagan

2nd:

S. Paul

Vote:

5-0-0: W. Baker-Aye, M. Gagan-Aye, R. Largess Jr.-Aye, S. Paul-Aye, W. Talcott - Aye

Adjourned 7:16 PM

Covid Meeting Statement: Due to the current COVID-19 Crisis (pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law) this meeting is being held remotely via Zoom. To join the meeting visit www.zoom.us/join and Meeting ID: 868 6318 2406, no password needed. The meeting will be broadcast and recorded on local public access stations and live streamed when available. Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A Section 20, no person shall address a meeting of a public body without permission of the chair. Individuals who would like to participate should state their name and address after being recognized by the chairperson. In an effort to ensure transparency to our viewers at home, the chat function is not available.

Approved:

Ernie Marks Jr., Douglas Chair

Walter A. Baker, Sutton Chair