

**Planning Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 26, 2018
Library, Community Meeting Room
660 High Street - 7:00 PM
Westwood, MA 02090**

The Planning Board attended the Finance and Warrant Commission's continued public hearing on Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles to participate in the discussion and presentation of zoning amendment articles.

Present:

Planning Board members present: Trevor W. Laubenstein, David L. Atkins, Jr., Michael L. McCusker, and Steven H. Olanoff. Brian D. Gorman was absent. Staff members present: Town Planner Abigail McCabe, Community & Economic Development Director Nora Loughnane.

Ms. Loughnane, Director of Community and Economic Development, gave a presentation to the Finance and Warrant Commission relative to the four articles related to the redevelopment of Islington Center, which includes the Board of Selectmen article for the land disposition; the Board of Selectmen sponsored article for the funding for the Wentworth Hall relocation, renovation, and expansion; and the two zoning articles sponsored by the Planning Board for the zoning map amendment for expand the FMUOD6 & LBB boundary to the properties at 277A Washington and 9 School streets; and to allow for consideration of over 10,000 Sq. Ft. of the retail establishment by special permit for the proposed CVS. Ms. Loughnane explained that the Planning Board opened the public hearing for the Islington FMUOD special permit in January, has had continued hearings, and has further continued the hearing to next week on April 4 and expects the hearing to conclude on April 10. The Planning Board is sponsoring the two zoning articles related to this project and has voted 4-1 to recommend Finance and Warrant Commission support.

The Board of Selectmen Chairman informed the Commission that Town Meeting has been postponed and will be rescheduled to a date later in May or early June so that all information related to the Islington Center Redevelopment Project can be presented to the Commission. The Selectmen asked the Commission to hold a public hearing in late April when information related to soil testing at the site of the former Texaco gas station and an appraisal, which will help determine the exact funding needed in the funding article, which will be known mid-April.

The Finance and Warrant Commission agreed to hold a continued hearing in late April.

Action:

The zoning amendment public hearing was continued to the Planning Board's next meeting on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 7:00 pm at Downey Elementary School in the Cafeteria, 250 Downey Street in Westwood.

List of Documents

• Finance and Warrant Commission Public Hearing March 26, 2018 Meeting Book with Article listings for 3/26/18 hearing (includes full article language) 11 pages.	PDF
• Memorandum from Abby McCabe Town Planner and Planning Board to Finance and Warrant Commission, Re: Zoning Amendments & Islington Center Redevelopment Summary, dated March 22, 2018 (4 pages).	PDF
• PowerPoint Presentation to Finance and Warrant Commission for Islington Center Redevelopment dated March 26, 2018, 66 slides.	PDF
• Islington Center Redevelopment Comparison of Petruzzello RFP Proposal to Other Options, spreadsheet	PDF
• Islington Center Redevelopment Project – Before and After Comparison	PDF