



AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL

RFD# 2023043

Date: March 27, 2023

TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Council

SUBMITTED BY: Andrew Fisher, Director of Planning & Strategic Priorities

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SUBJECT: Development Agreement – Rezoning 36 & 38 Beacon Street.

ORIGIN: An application by Mike LeBlanc on behalf of Amherst Little League Baseball Club to amend the Land Use Bylaw Zoning Map to change the zoning of PIDs 25011255 and 25011248 located at 36 & 38 Beacon Street from General Residential to Open Space.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: *Municipal Government Act* Part VIII Planning and Development.

PAC RECOMMENDATION: On March 6, 2023 the PAC recommended that Council rezone the subject properties from General Density Residential to Open Space.

BACKGROUND: An advertised Public Participation Opportunity was held on March 1, 2023 and no issues were raised. Council is referred to the March 6, 2023, staff report to the PAC that contains details about the proposed development, and a review of the relevant MPS policies. Council gave First Reading in February, and an advertised Public Hearing was held on March 1, 2023 where no issues were raised.

DISCUSSION: As detailed in the attached staff report to the PAC, the proposal meets the general intent of MPS policies. The rezoning process gave the public opportunities to provide comment at the Public Participation Opportunity and Public Hearing. The rezoning will allow the Club to make improvements to their programming and provide some additional off-street parking.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: None specific to this issue.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS: None specific to this issue.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: None specific to this issue.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: Public Participation Opportunity, and Public Hearing were part of the approval process.

ALTERNATIVES: 1) Reject the application citing specific policies that are not met by the proposal; 2) Refer the application back to the PAC for more information.

ATTACHMENTS: 1) Staff report to PAC.

Report prepared by: A. Falaye Report and Financial approved by:

