CITY OF HAVERHILL CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at 2:30 PM

Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, 4 Summer st, Room 202 In-Person/Remote Meeting

This meeting of Haverhill City Council will be held in-person at the location provided on this notice as its official meeting location pursuant to the Open Meeting Law. As the meeting is held in person at a physical location that is open and accessible to the public, the City Council is not required to provide remote access to the meeting. Members of the public are welcome to attend this in-person meeting. Please note that a live stream of the meeting is being provided only as a courtesy to the public, and the meeting will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the virtual broadcast, unless otherwise required by law. Members of the public with particular interest in any specific item on this agenda should make plans for in-person vs. virtual attendance accordingly. Those attending tonight's meeting should be aware that the meeting is being audio and video recorded by HCTV, The Eagle Tribune, and WHAV. Any audience members who wish to record any part of the meeting must inform the Council President who will announce the recording. This is to comply with the MA wiretap statute. Thank you.

- 1. OPENING PRAYER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING
- 4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING
- 5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:
- 6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS TO INTRODUCE AN INDIVIDUAL(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:
- 7. Public Participation- Requests under Council Rule 28

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8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:

8.1.1. <u>Document 68</u>; Zoning amendment – regarding Floodplain Overlay District

Confirmatory vote and adoption of an Ordinance re: Zoning – Amend Chapter 255, delete section 9.1 in its entirety and replaced with new section 9.1 through section 9.1.14, to provide required updates to the City's Floodplain Overlay District Ordinance (FODO) inclusive of 7 pages *filed* 05/15/2025

Related Communication from William Pillsbury, Economic Development and Planning Director

- 9. UTILITY HEARING(S) AND RELATED ORDER(S):
- 10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:
- 11.APPOINTMENTS:
 - 11.1. Confirming Appointments
 - 11.2. Non-Confirming Appointments:
 - 11.3. Constables
 - 11.4. Resignations:

12.PETITIONS:

- 12.1. Applications Handicap Parking Sign: with Police approval
- 12.2. <u>Amusement/Event Application:</u> with Police approval
- 12.3. Auctioneer License:
- 12.4. <u>Tag Days</u>: with Police approval
- 12.5. One Day Liquor License with License Commission & HPD approval
- 12.6. <u>ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWALS</u>:
 - 12.6.1. **Hawker Peddlers License- Fixed location** w/Police approval
 - 12.6.2. **Coin-Op License** *Renewals* with Police approval
 - 12.6.3. **Christmas Tree Vendor** with Police approval
 - 12.6.4. Taxi Driver Licenses for 2024: with Police approval

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12.6.5.	Taxi/Limousine License with Police approval
12.6.6.	Junk Dealer /Collector License - with Police approval
12.6.7.	Pool/Billiard
12.6.8.	Bowling
12.6.9.	Sunday Bowling
12.6.10.	Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles with Police approval
12.6.11.	Buy & Sell Second Hand Clothing with Police
approve	al
12.6.12.	Pawnbroker license - with police approval
12.6.13.	Fortune Teller with - Police approval
12.6.14.	Buy & Sell Old Gold – with Police approval
12.6.15.	Roller Skating Rink
12.6.16.	Sunday Skating
12.6.17.	Exterior Vending Machines/Redbox Automated
Retail, LLC	
12.6.18.	Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars with Police
approval	

13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

- 14.ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS):
- **15.COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS:**
- 16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEEDING MEETING:
- 17.RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:
- 18.COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY
- 20.Long term matters study list
- 21.ADJOURN:



DOCUMENT

CITY OF HAVERHILL

In Municipal Council

ORDERED:

Municipal ordinance

Chapter 255

An Ordinance related to Zoning

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill the at code of the City of Haverhill Chapter 255 is hereby amended as follows:

DELETE section 9.1 in its entirety and replace with the following section 9.1

Chapter 255. Zoning
SECTION 9.0. SPECIAL/OVERLAY DISTRICTS
§ 9.1. FLOODPLAIN OVERLAY DISTRICT (FPOD).

§ 9.1.0. Purpose and Definitions.

The purpose of the Floodplain Overlay District is to:

- 1) Ensure public safety through reducing the threats to life and personal injury
- 2) Eliminate new hazards to emergency response officials
- 3) Prevent the occurrence of public emergencies resulting from water quality, contamination, and pollution due to flooding
- 4) Avoid the loss of utility services which if damaged by flooding would disrupt or shut down the utility network and impact regions of the community beyond the site of flooding
- 5) Eliminate costs associated with the response and cleanup of flooding conditions
- 6) Reduce damage to public and private property resulting from flooding waters

For the purpose of this Section 9.1 only, the following terms have the following meanings:

DEVELOPMENT means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to building or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation or drilling operations or storage of equipment or materials. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

FLOODWAY. The channel of the river, creek or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]

FUNCTIONALLY DEPENDENT USE means a use which cannot perform its intended purpose unless it is located or carried out in close proximity to water. The term includes only docking facilities, port facilities that are necessary for the loading and unloading of cargo or passengers, and ship building and ship repair facilities, but does not include long-term storage or related manufacturing facilities. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59] Also [Referenced Standard ASCE 24-14]

HIGHEST ADJACENT GRADE means the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls of a structure. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

HISTORIC STRUCTURE means any structure that is:

- (a) Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places (a listing maintained by the Department of Interior) or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing on the National Register;
- (b) Certified or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered historic district or a district preliminarily determined by the Secretary to qualify as a registered historic district;
- (c) Individually listed on a state inventory of historic places in states with historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior; or
- (d) Individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either:
 - (1) By an approved state program as determined by the Secretary of the Interior or
- (2) Directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

NEW CONSTRUCTION. Structures for which the start of construction commenced on or after the effective date of the first floodplain management code, regulation, ordinance, or standard adopted by the authority having jurisdiction, including any subsequent improvements to such structures. New construction includes work determined to be substantial improvement. [Referenced Standard ASCE 24-14]

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE means a vehicle which is:

- (a) Built on a single chassis;
- (b) 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection;
- (c) Designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
- (d) Designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use.

[US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

REGULATORY FLOODWAY - see FLOODWAY.

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA. The land area subject to flood hazards and shown on a Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard map as Zone A, AE, A1-30, A99, AR, AO, AH, V, VO, VE or V1-30. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]

START OF CONSTRUCTION. The date of issuance for new construction and substantial improvements to existing structures, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, placement or other improvement is within 180 days after the date of issuance. The actual start of construction means the first placement of permanent construction of a building (including a manufactured home) on a site, such as the pouring of a slab or footings, installation of pilings or construction of columns.

Permanent construction does not include land preparation (such as clearing, excavation, grading or filling), the installation of streets or walkways, excavation for a basement, footings, piers or foundations, the erection

of temporary forms or the installation of accessory buildings such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main building. For a substantial improvement, the actual "start of construction" means the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of a building, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the building. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]

STRUCTURE means, for floodplain management purposes, a walled and roofed building, including a gas or liquid storage tank, that is principally above ground, as well as a manufactured home. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT: Any repair, reconstruction, or improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds fifty (50) percent of the market value of the structure either (a) before the improvement or repair is started, or (b) if the structure has been damaged and is being restored, before the damage occurred. For the purposes of this definition, "substantial improvement" is considered to occur when the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor, or other structural part of the building commences, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure. The standards for Substantial Improvements in this Section 9.1 shall not apply to Historic Structures, as defined above.

SUBSTANTIAL REPAIR OF A FOUNDATION. When work to repair or replace a foundation results in the repair or replacement of a portion of the foundation with a perimeter along the base of the foundation that equals or exceeds 50% of the perimeter of the base of the foundation measured in linear feet, or repair or replacement of 50% of the piles, columns or piers of a pile, column or pier supported foundation, the building official shall determine it to be substantial repair of a foundation. Applications determined by the building official to constitute substantial repair of a foundation shall require all existing portions of the entire building or structure to meet the requirements of 780 CMR. [As amended by MA in 9th Edition BC]

VARIANCE means a grant of relief by a community from the terms of a flood plain management regulation. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

VIOLATION means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community's flood plain management regulations. A structure or other development without the elevation certificate, other certifications, or other evidence of compliance required in §60.3 is presumed to be in violation until such time as that documentation is provided. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

§ 9.1.1. Overlay District.

The Floodplain Overlay District is herein established as an overlay district. The District includes all special flood hazard areas within the City of Haverhill designated as Zones A and AE on the Essex County Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), dated July 8, 2025 issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The exact boundaries of the Floodplain Overlay District may be defined by the 100-year base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Essex County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated July 8, 2025. The FIRM and FIS report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Floodplain Administrator to be defined below.

§ 9.1.2. Applicability.

In A Zones, in the absence of FEMA BFE data and floodway data, the building department will obtain, review and reasonably utilize base flood elevation and floodway data available from a Federal, State, or other source as criteria for requiring new construction, Substantial Improvements, or other development in Zone

A and as the basis for elevating residential structures to or above base flood level, for floodproofing or elevating nonresidential structures to or above base flood level, and for prohibiting encroachments in floodways.

§ 9.1.3. Existing Structures.

- 1. Existing structures and appurtenances thereto within the Floodplain District which are inconsistent with these provisions shall be considered nonconforming structures and as such shall be bound by the provisions contained in Section 5.0, except that a facility permitted and assigned under the provisions of MGL c. 111, § 150A, may be completed without regard to the floodplain provisions stated herein.
- In addition, an existing structure, group of structures and appurtenances thereto and a facility permitted and assigned under MGL c. 111, § 150A, may be expanded, altered and/or otherwise improved by right, without regard to the floodplain provisions stated herein, provided that such improvement, alteration and/or expansion which is inconsistent with said floodplain requirements does not exceed 50% of the market value of the existing structure or facility as defined under "Substantial Improvement" when completed.

§ 9.1.4. Floodway.

In the floodway, as designated on the Flood Insurance Rate Map, the following provisions shall apply:

- All encroachments, including fill, new construction, Substantial Improvement to existing structures and other development, are prohibited unless certification by a registered professional engineer is provided by the applicant demonstrating, through hydrologic and hydraulic analyses performed in accordance with standard engineering practice, that the proposed encroachment would not result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge..
- 2. Any encroachment meeting the above standard shall comply with the floodplain requirements of the State Building Code.
- § 9.1.5. Base Flood Elevation and Floodway Data.
- 1. In Zones A and AE, along watercourses that have not had a regulatory floodway designated, the best available federal, state, local, or other floodway data shall be used to prohibit encroachments in floodways which would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.
- 2 Base flood elevation data is required for subdivision proposals or other developments greater than 50 lots or five acres, whichever is the lesser, within unnumbered A zones.

§ 9.1.6.1 Use Regulations.

The Floodplain Overlay District is established as an overlay district to all other districts. All development in the district, including structural and nonstructural activities, whether permitted by right or by special permit, must be in compliance with MGL c. 131, § 40, and with the following:

- Sections of the Massachusetts State Building Code (780 CMR) which address floodplain and coastal high hazard areas;
- Wetlands Protection Regulations, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) (currently 310 CMR 10.00);

- a Inland Wetlands Restriction, DEP (currently 310 CMR 13.00);
- ⁴ Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary Sewage, DEP (currently 310 CMR 15, Title 5).

§ 9.1.6.2. Local Variances

A variance from this Section 9.1 must meet the requirements set out by State law, and may only be granted if: 1) good and sufficient cause and exceptional non-financial hardship exist; 2) the variance will not result in additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, or fraud or victimization of the public; and 3) the variance is the minimum action necessary to afford relief. The Conservation Commissioner shall be responsible for granting local variances.

§ 9.1.6.3 State Variances

Any variances from the provisions and requirements of the above referenced state regulations may only be granted in accordance with the required variance procedures of these state regulations. The City will request from the State Building Code Appeals Board a written and/or audible copy of the portion of the hearing related to the variance, and will maintain this record in the community's files. The City shall also issue a letter to the property owner regarding potential impacts to the annual premiums for the flood insurance policy covering that property, in writing over the signature of a community official that (i) the issuance of a variance to construct a structure below the base flood level will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance up to amounts as high as \$25 for \$100 of insurance coverage and (ii) such construction below the base flood level increases risks to life and property. Such notification shall be maintained with the record of all variance actions for the referenced development in the floodplain overlay district.

§ 9.1.6.4 Use Regulations - Permits.

The City of Haverhill requires a permit for all proposed construction or other development in the floodplain overlay district, including new construction or changes to existing buildings, placement of manufactured homes, placement of agricultural facilities, fences, sheds, storage facilities or drilling, mining, paving and any other development that might increase flooding or adversely impact flood risks to other properties. The Inspectional Services Department shall create a form application and process said application for permits.

The City's permit review process shall include the requirement that the proponent obtain all local, state and federal permits that will be necessary in order to carry out the proposed development in the floodplain overlay district. The proponent must acquire all necessary permits, and must demonstrate that all necessary permits have been acquired.

§ 9.1.7. Zone AE.

In Zone AE, along watercourses within the City of Haverhill that have a regulatory floodway designated on the Essex County FIRM, encroachments are prohibited in the regulatory floodway which would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.

§ 9.1.8. Subdivisions.

All subdivision proposals must be designed to assure that:

- 1. Such proposals minimize flood damage;
- 2. All public utilities and facilities are located and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage; and
- 2. Adequate drainage is provided to reduce exposure to flood hazards.
- 4. When proposing subdivisions or other developments greater than 50 lots or 5 acres (whichever is less), the proponent must provide technical data to determine base flood elevations for each developable parcel shown on the design plans.

§ 9.1.9.1 Notification of Watercourse Alteration.

In a riverine situation, the Conservation Commission shall notify the following of any alteration or relocation of a watercourse:

- Adjacent communities of Merrimac, West Newbury, Groveland, Boxford, North Andover, and Methuen, Massachusetts and Salem, Atkinson, Plaistow, and Newton, New Hampshire;
- 2 NH NFIP State Coordinator, New Hampshire Department of Business and Economic Affairs;
- 3 NFIP State Coordinator Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation
- ⁴ NFIP Program Specialist Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region I.

§ 9.1.9.2 Base Flood Elevation Notification

If the City acquires data that changes the base flood elevation in the FEMA mapped Special Flood Hazard Areas, the City will, within 6 months, notify FEMA of these changes by submitting the technical or scientific data that supports the change(s.) Notification shall be submitted to:

NFIP State Coordinator

Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

NFIP Program Specialist

Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region I

§ 9.1.10. Permitted Uses.

The following uses of low flood damage potential and causing no obstructions to flood flows are encouraged, provided they are permitted in the underlying district and they do not require structures, fill, or storage of materials or equipment:

- 4. Agricultural uses such as farming, grazing, truck farming, horticulture, etc.
- 2. Forestry and nursery uses.
- Outdoor recreational uses, including fishing, boating, play areas, etc. However, in A and AE Zone, all recreational vehicles to be placed on a site must be elevated and anchored in accordance with the zone's

regulations for foundation and elevation requirements or be on the site for less than 180 consecutive days or be fully licensed and highway ready.

- 4. Conservation of water, plants, wildlife.
- 5 Wildlife management areas, foot, bicycle, and/or horse paths.
- ⁵ Temporary nonresidential structures used in connection with fishing, growing, harvesting, storage, or sale of crops raised on the premises.
- Buildings lawfully existing prior to the adoption of these provisions, subject to Substantial Damage/Substantial Improvement provisions in the state building code.

§ 9.1.11. Designation of Community Floodplain Administrator

The City of Haverhill hereby designates the position of Building Commissioner to be the Official Floodplain Administrator for the City.

§ 9.1.12 Abrogation and Greater Restriction

The floodplain management regulations found in this Floodplain Overlay District section shall take precedence over any less restrictive conflicting local laws, ordinances or codes

§ 9.1.13 Severability.

If any section, provision or portion of this Section 9.1 is deemed to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court, the remainder of the ordinance shall be effective.

§ 9.1.14 Disclaimer of liability

The degree of flood protection required by this bylaw is considered reasonable but does not imply total flood protection.



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May 29, 2025

PUBLIC HEARING
City Council Chambers, City Hall, Room 202, 4 Summer st

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held for all parties interested, in a hybrid meeting (virtual/in person), on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 7:00 pm on a request from Economic Development and Planning Director, William Pillsbury, for a Zoning Amendment – City's Floodplain Overlay District (Chapter 255:9.1)

Refer to Planning Board and Council Hearing June 17, 2025

(Residents who are interested in commenting on this item can either (1) Attend in person (Council Chambers, Room 202) or (2) Attend remotely using the link provided on the public meeting calendar on the City's website)

Floodplain Ordinance is on file in the City Clerk's Office

Advertise: May 29 & June 5, 2025

Haverhill Gazette

Kaitlin M Wright City Clerk



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CITY 0F HAVERHILL

In Municipal Council

ORDERED:

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER

An Ordinance Relating to Zoning: Amend City Chapter 255 - Delete Section 9.1 in its intitety and replaced it with new section 9.1 SECTION 9.0 SPECIAL /OVERLAY DISTRICTS
Section 9.1 FLOODPLAINNOVERLAY DISTRICT (FPOD)

Since this Ordinance exceeds in length eight octavo pages of ordinary book print, in lieu of advertising, it is published by the City Council in a municipal bulletin, placed on file in the City Clerk's Office and posted on the municipal bulletin in City Hall.

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days Attest:

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Maria Bevilacqua

To:

hglegals@hgazette.com

Cc:

Kaitlin Wright

Subject:

Public Hearing - Zoning - Floodplain Overlay District - Gazette Ad

Attachments:

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Please run this Hearing ad 2 times in the Gazette

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Thank you!

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Legal ad - 8 Octavo Pages - Zoning Ordinance Floodplain FPOD - Gazette

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Morning-

Please run this Zoning Ordinance ad 1 time in Gazette May 29, 2025

8 Octavo pages

Ordinance: Relating to Zoning – Floodplain Overlay District FPOD

Thank you!

Maria Bevilacqua City Clerk's Office, Haverhill 978-420-3624



Economic Development and Planning Phone: 978-374-2330

wpillsbury@HaverhillMA.gov

DATE: May 8, 2025

MEMO TO: City Council President Thomas Sullivan and members of the Haverhill City Council

FROM: William Millstury, Economic Development and Planning Director

RE: Zoning Amendment- Floodplain Overlay District (Sec 255:9.1)

Attached please find a proposed zoning ordinance amendment prepared by City Solicitor Lisa Mead. The proposed amendments provide required updates to the Citys Floodplain Overlay District Ordinance (FODO).

I request that the council refer the proposed ordinance to the planning board for a hearing to be held on June 11, 2025, and also schedule a hearing before the council on the proposed amendment shortly thereafter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

RECOMMENDATION: Refer the proposed amendment to the Planning BOARD FOR A HEARING ON JUNE 11, 2025 and schedule a hearing on the city council agenda shortly thereafter.



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June 12, 2025
City Council President Thomas Sullivan
& City Councilors
City Hall Haverhill

RE: Zoning Changes:

Members Present:

Michale Morales

Ismael Matias Bill Evans

April DerBoghosian

Boby Brown Paul Howard

Members Absent:

Carmen Morales

Also Present: William Pillsbury Jr. Director of Economic Development and Planning

Melanie Sloan, Head Clerk

Dear City Council President and Councilors:

Please note that on June 11, 2025, the Planning Board meeting was held at 7pm in the City Council Chambers. The board considered the recommendations of the Planning Director, William Pillsbury, Jr. to forward favorable recommendation to the city council on the proposed Zoning Changes. William Pillsbury read the rules of the meeting on record.

Paul: Thank you, Bill. Our first hearing is the zoning amendment for the flood plain regulations and a zoning amendment for the rooftop solar energy systems.

Bill: Thank you, Mr. Chairman Both of these items are technical in nature of their zoning amendments. In the first case, the flood plain regulations, we are being asked by the state to adopt the current state's flood plaining zoning regulations. Our zoning regulations are very close to that, but they are not exactly that. So, the city solicitor has asked us to just go through the exercise of adopting the full zoning regulations as it relates to the flood plain of the state regulations and make them part of the city zoning code. So that is what this item is for tonight. We'll open the hearing to see if anyone wants to speak. Does anyone want to speak on the flood plain regulations?

Paul: Ok I'll close that portion of the hearing and turn over comments to the Planning Board Director.

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Bill: Ok again we want to move forward with the one with the basis of being a recommendation to the City Council first of all, on all these zoning amendments, and to very clear about this, this planning board is not making decision tonight as to approval or not approval. We've basically been asked, and part of our zoning ordinance requires that the planning board make recommendations to the city council on zoning amendments, so this hearing tonight is to make recommendations to the council on everything that they are zoning amendments. So again, if it's a zoning amendment for flood plain regulations, I'm now going to recommend that we move forward a favorable recommendation to the city council on that particular item.

After board consideration, Member Bobby Brown motioned to forward a favorable recommendation to the City Council as recommended by the Planning Board Director William Pillsbury Jr, April DerBoghosian Seconded the motion

Member Nate Robertson – absent Member Bobby Brown – Yes Member William Evans – Yes Member April DerBghoian – Yes Member Michael Morales – Yes Member Ismael Matias – Yes Chairman Paul Howard – Yes **Motion Passed.**



Melinda Barrett Mayor Robert M. O'Brien

Fire Chief

Haverhill Fire Department

Fire Prevention / Investigation Unit

D/C Eric M. Tarpy Lieut. Robert Irvine Insp. Richard H. Wentworth Insp. Brian Belfiore



4 Summer St, Room 113 Tel: (978) 373-8460 Fax: (978) 521-4441

June 2, 2025

William Pillsbury, Planning Director 4 Summer Street, room 201 Haverhill, MA 01830

Re: City of Haverhill Zoning Amendments Floodplain Overlay District (Sec 255 9.7)

I have reviewed the application from the City of Haverhill for the Zoning Amendment changes and in the interest of public safety, have no comments at this time in the process.

Respectfully,

Eric M. Tarpy

Deputy Fire Chief

Eric M. Tarpy

Haverhill Fire Prevention Division