

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2021; 10:00 A.M.
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Present: Ken Edgar, Chairman; Jane Connolly, Vice Chairwoman; Don Saltzman, Sally Korsh, Harry Falber, Britta Lerner, Richard Wolf

Also Present: members of the public

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10:02 a.m. Chairman Edgar called the meeting to order.

DISCUSSION CON'T: PREPARATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLAN WITH SLR CORPORATION – TOWN COMMUNITY SURVEY; SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

Chairman Edgar stated that the Commission has received comments from within, and has received proposed survey questions from the Weston Survey Research Committee. He suggested that the Commission authorize SLR Corporation to consider the comments and incorporate those which are deemed appropriate into SLR's survey. The members discussed SLR's analysis on the community needs for affordable housing. Richard Wolf asked Mike Zuba and Elizabeth Esposito of SLR to discuss components of their analysis and a discussion ensued with the Commission.

Kristana Esslinger of the Survey Research Committee came before the Commission to discuss the survey questions proposed by the Committee for possible inclusion in the survey. A discussion ensued between the members and Ms. Esslinger. Margaret Wirtenberg and Helen de Keijzer provided comments to the Commission. The members and SLR continued to discuss the draft town survey questions and came to a consensus on the questions to be included.

The Commission discussed communication strategies to publicize the survey. SLR continued to discuss its assessment on housing needs, including calculations on affordability and median family income.

The members discussed a likely survey kick-off date of March 17, with the survey expected to conclude April 7. The members discussed setting up future meetings to hear SLR's analysis of the survey results and a community virtual workshop, which is expected to occur in late April.

Chairman Edgar made a motion that the Commission adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Harry Falber. All in favor, the motion carried (7-0).

11:16 a.m. Meeting adjourned

Submitted by: AnnMarie Fontana, Assistant