

CONSERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024

Time: 7:00pm

Place: This meeting will be held as a virtual meeting via Zoom.

This will be a virtual meeting via Zoom. No in-person meeting will take place at City Hall.

Click here to join by Zoom: <https://newtonma.gov.zoom.us/j/87131869382>

Contact jsteel@newtonma.gov or 617-796-1134 with any questions.

NOTE: In addition to the documents in the Commission’s packet, full application plans and narratives are available on [the Commission’s website](#).

NOTE: Times listed are estimates. Items may be taken out of order at the Chair’s discretion. Discussion may be limited by the Chair.

DECISIONS

A. WETLANDS DECISIONS

1. **(7:00) 51 Oak Ave – Request for Determination of Applicability – Confirm City Floodplain line**
 - Owner/Applicant. YZ Fleet LLC (Tom Zou)
 - Representatives. John P. Rockwood, Ph.D., SPWS, EcoTec, Inc.
 - Request. Issue a Negative 1 Determination and a Negative 6 Determination
2. **(7:20) 191 Dedham St – Notice of Intent – invasive control, native plantings, fence along South Meadow Brook -- DEP File # 239-967**
 - Owner/Applicant. City of Newton Public Schools
 - Representatives. Alex Valcarce, Deputy Director of Public Buildings; Vivian Low, DiNisco Design
 - Request. Issue OOC.
3. **(7:55) 544 Quinobequin Rd – Notice of Intent – tree removal -- DEP File # 239-???**
 - Owner/Applicant. Alejandro Crespo
 - Representatives. self
 - Request. Issue OOC.
4. **(8:20) 70 Kingswood Rd – Informal Discussion – mitigation planting revision -- DEP File # 239-952**
 - Owner/Applicant. Larry Smith
 - Request. Revise required mitigation planting
5. **(8:40) 188 Needham St. – Order of Conditions Extension Request – Additional parking -- DEP File # 239-841**
 - Owner/Applicant. Kerry McCormack
 - Representatives. self
 - Request. Issue 3-year extension to allow time for plant establishment.

B. CONSERVATION AREA DECISIONS – none at this time

C. ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS

6. **(8:40) Minutes to be approved**
7. **(8:45) DRAFT Riverfront Area Redevelopment Guidance**

D. ISSUES AROUND TOWN DECISIONS – none at this time

UPDATES / DISCUSSION – none at this time

E. WETLANDS – none at this time

F. CONSERVATION AREAS

G. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS – none at this time

H. ISSUES AROUND TOWN

PUBLIC COMMENT

OTHER TOPICS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR 48 HOURS BEFORE THE MEETING – none at this time

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Development**
Barney Heath

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Environmental
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**Assistant
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