



AGENDA PACKET

**CITY COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS & ELECTIONS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2022 6:00 PM**

**EVERETT CITY HALL, 484 BROADWAY, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 3RD FLOOR
EVERETT, MA 02149**


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ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **C0467-22** Resolution/s/ Councilor Darren M. Costa
A request for a planning initiative for ward 3 zoning.
2. **C0506-22** Resolution/s/ Councilor Michael K. Marchese, Councilor Darren M. Costa
A resolution requesting written responses to the attached list of questions associated with any investigations made into and/or lawsuits filed against the city, its employees or its elected officials

ADJOURNMENT

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Respectfully submitted:

Michael J. Mangan

Legislative Aide
Everett City Council Office



C0467-22

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Councilor Darren M. Costa

Date: November 14, 2022

Agenda Item:

A request for a planning initiative for ward 3 zoning.

Background and Explanation:

Attachments:

WE, the following Abotter &
 Neighbors to the Project At
 260 ~~Abbott~~ ~~ELM STREET~~, Hereby note
 OUR OBJECTION TO THE Petition

Michael K Morales	91 Elsie St.
Julia Yutkins	84 Garland St
Tony Raymond	48 DARTMOUTH St.
Laura O'Connor	50 Abbott Ave.
Patricia Gallant	54 Abbott Ave
Maureen Romanc	71 Freeman Ave
Josephine Rivers	76 ABBOTT AVE
Laurie Scupp	33 Abbott + Ave
Amber Hill	37 Abbott Ave
William A Parks	37 Abbott Ave
Chaitrali Doshi	57 Abbott Ave
Ashwin Gandhi	57 Abbott Ave.
Antoinette LaConte	41 ABBOTT AVE
Joseph Sathirac	14 ABBOTT AVE
Bob Mc...	20 Abbott Ave
...	20 Abbott Ave
Linda Desero	14 Abbott Ave
Maria Bermudez	22 Freeman Ave
Virginia Quiles	18 Freeman Ave
Jose Quiles	18 Freeman Ave
Marianela Calderon	14 Wintrop
Michael Mpsocci	49 Freeman Ave
Maudy...	38 Abbott Ave
Cathy Fan	33 Freeman Ave
Gail C Middleton	17 Abbott Ave.
Charles Radosta	8 Chestnut Place
Steve + Maria Bussell	8 Freeman Ave
Lindsey Lento	62 Abbott Ave
Maureen O'Donnell	24 Abbott Ave

We the following Abutters + neighbors
to the project at 260 Elm St hereby
note our objection to the petition

Mike & Renee Buswell 254 Elm St.

Leonard & Barbara Nicolosi 58 ~~220~~ Ave

Rich O'Donnell 24 Abbott Ave ~~82~~

Patricia Rogers 78 Englewood Ave.

JOHN-JEANNE CRISTIANO 53 ABBOTT AVE

LAURIE/PAUL SOUZA 33 ABBOTT AVE

Katy Rogers 78 Englewood Ave.

Elizabeth DeSimone 77 ABBOTT AVE

JoAnn Wilichoski 72 Abbott Ave

Holly Garcia 688 Broadway

Diane D'Amico 13 Abbott Avenue Everett, WA
Diane & Michael Cody 73 Abbott Ave Everett

Charles Halper 21 ABBOTT AVE EVERETT

Susan Halper 21 ABBOTT AVE EVERETT

Melissa O'Donnell 24 Abbott Ave Everett

Megan O'Donnell 24 Abbott Ave Everett

Amber Hoefft 270 Elm St

Magdalena Garnica 270 Elm St

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Legislative Affairs & Election Committee
November 21, 2022

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 6pm in the City Council Chambers.

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Alfred Lattanzi, Darren Costa and Stephanie Smith.

The Committee considered a Resolution offered by Councilor Darren Costa: A request for a planning initiative for Ward 3 zoning.

Director of Planning Matt Lattanzi and City Clerk Sergio Cornelio were also present.

The Clerk provided the Committee with an overview of what a Work Session entailed as it related to the wishes of the City Council in referring the matter into Committee. Councilor Smith referenced that the Committee should follow the same process as established at the last Committee meeting with regards to the zoning moratorium piece in which Councilor Costa was appointed as a liaison to obtain the information and report back his findings to a Work Session with other members of the Committee. She mentioned that it would be difficult to coordinate these sessions with all the parties especially if the Work Sessions needed to be publicly posted if more than two members were present creating unwanted red tape and acknowledged that some members may need to be excused due to potential developments they may be doing. Councilor Costa stated that he understood that the entire City needed to be included in the Zoning review but wanted to focus his concern right now with this zoning issues related to Ward 3. Councilor Smith suggested that the Committee appoint Councilor Costa as the liaison related to Ward 3 zoning concerns to conduct research on the matter with the Planning Department and other relevant departments and report back his findings to the Work Session group. She stated that this would be the first step but was adamant that the entire City zoning needed to be looked at. Councilor Costa agreed to take the lead as a liaison in this matter and Mr. Lattanzi expressed his approval of this decision which he felt would help expedite the process as well as avoiding the need to publicly post if just one Councilor was involved. Mr. Lattanzi informed the Committee that he usually meets with the various Department Heads on Tuesdays to review proposed zoning developments within the City and Councilor Costa indicated that he could call in to participate in those meetings. Councilor Smith remarked that she wanted to avoid spot zoning occurring and wanted to avoid opening the City to potential lawsuits from any zoning changes to be recommended. Mr. Lattanzi concurred that the City's zoning needed a rewrite however Councilor Smith cautioned that the process to do this could take 6 to 9 months. Mr. Cornelio mentioned that the City Ordinances which included the zoning ordinances needed to be updated pursuant to the City Charter and suggested that the Mayor could appoint an Ad-Hoc group of smart local professional people to help work on this subject matter rather than the Council attempting to do it on its own.

The Committee voted, to establish work sessions on the subject matter with Councilor Costa appointed as the Committee liaison to work with the Planning Department and other relevant city departments related to the Ward 3 zoning and report back his findings to the Work Session group with the Committee reconvening in a public session once action is recommended from the Work Session group.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley
Clerk of Committees

Here are some facts:

1. The business district does not require developers to include commercial space.
2. There is no limitations on the number of units allowed.
3. There are few requirements related to set backs, building requirements

Here are recommended solutions that I'd like to discuss in our working session:

1. Change the zoning map for properties that are zoned as business district in neighborhoods where they don't fit. For example, the number of houses on Woodlawn Ave. Today they are used as single family homes and should likely be zoned as a Dwelling district
2. Amend the ordinance for Business District to include limitations.
3. Revise the TDM to set great limitations for superseding the original parking ordinance (2 spaces per unit) in primarily residential area outside of any redevelopment zones.

Here is an open list of open items for our long term strategic solutions:

1. Create a zoning table with dimensions, requirements and limitations of each district in our zoning map
2. Revisit the zoning map to extend past the business district. For example, light manufacturing zones
3. Revise conflicting and outdated ordinances
4. Continue to modify the TDM to encourage its original intention, without infringing on our already dense neighborhoods.



C0506-22

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Councilor Michael K. Marchese
Date: December 12, 2022

Agenda Item:

A resolution requesting written responses to the attached list of questions associated with any investigations made into and/or lawsuits filed against the city, its employees or elected officials

Background and Explanation:

Attachments:

C0506-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Michael K. Marchese

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Questions

Is it possible to file an insurance claim to recover any of the funds that have been/will be appropriated to pay for lawyer's fees associated with the US Attorney's/DOJ Title 7 investigation?

Is it possible to get a copy of all lawyer's invoices associated with the US Attorney's/DOJ Title 7 investigation? If so, please provide.

In the last five years, have there been any payouts made by the city or its insurance provider as a result of lawsuits filed against/investigations into the city? If so please, provide a list of all payouts and the reason for such payout.

For the last five years, please provide a list of insurance premiums paid for any insurance policies that provide payouts for lawsuits and investigations.