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City Council Ordinance & Administration Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2024, at 7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Councilor Gilday called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

Roll was called and present were: Councilor Gilday, Councilor Rinaldi, and Councilor Wheeler
Also Present: Attorney Leonard Johnson, Mayor's Chief of Staff Ann Marie Casey, and Assistant City Clerk Jess Manning

Minutes for Approval: June 17, 2024

Councilor Rinaldi offered a motion to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2024 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Gilday and passed 2-0 with Councilor Wheeler abstaining.

Communication and Updates:

Public Comment:

- None.

2024-083 An Ordinance to establish a Community Preservation Committee -**Councilor Wheeler Sponsor**

- Councilor Wheeler summarized 2024-083, explaining the structure of the proposed CPA Committee. Since Amesbury does not have a Parks and Recreation Department, then this will substitute a member or OSNRTC instead.
- Ann Marie Casey provided further context to this proposed ordinance, and mentioned if the mention of Parks Commissioners should be changed since Amesbury does not have a Parks Department. Councilor Wheeler replied that this passage is lifted almost verbatim from MA State Law, and the OSNRTC would be covered as "or persons acting in those capacities or forming like duties."
- Ann Marie Casey noted that staff support has been a prominent issue raised in the Boards, Commissions, and Committees Working Group, and one possible solution being discussed would be merging committees with a similar mission.

Councilor Rinaldi made a motion to return 2024-083 to the full City Council with a positive recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilor Gilday and passed unanimously (3-0)

2024-085 An Ordinance to amend the Amesbury Zoning Ordinance to modify the provisions of Section XI.D – Cluster Residential Special Permit and Section XIV – Water Resource Protection District (WRPD).-**Mayor Sponsor**

2024-086 An Ordinance to amend the Amesbury Zoning Ordinance to modify the provisions of Section XI.J2, Historic Preservation - Special Permit. – **Mayor Gove and Councilor Hogg Sponsors**

2024-087 An Ordinance to amend the Amesbury Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Overlay Map to re-number the Adult Use Marijuana Establishments section and extend the Retail Marijuana Overlay District (RMOD) to include certain parcels and land area in the Central Business (CBD) and Central Industrial (IC) zoning districts within the City as shown on attached Exhibit -01.-**Mayor Gove, Councilors Stanganelli, Rinaldi and Hogg Sponsors**

Councilor Wheeler made a motion to continue bills 2024-085 through 2024-087 to the regularly scheduled Ordinance and Administration meeting in September. The motion was seconded by Councilor Gilday and passed unanimously (3-0)

Adjourn

Councilor Rinaldi made a motion to adjourn at 7:29 PM. Councilor Wheeler seconded, and the motion passed unanimously (3-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Jess Manning