

Town of Needham
Norfolk County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Council of Economic Advisors (CEA) Meeting of November 15, 2023

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Present - Adam Block, Kate Urquat, , Heidi Frail, Bill Day, Bob Hentschel , Rick Putprush, Mike Willcox, Lise Elcock, Jeremy Halpern

Absent - Adam Meisner (excused) , Dan Goodman(excused), Matt Telcoff(excused), Bruan Patel(excused)

Also Present – J.P. Cacciaglia (EDM), Maria Calahan (Rep. Garlick Office)

Call Meeting to Order

Roll Call

Presentation

Introduction of new board member of Kate Urquat

Introduction of new EDM J.P. Cacciaglia

A. Block gave an overview and discussion held on the Town of Needham boards and process for Zoning and Planning and the roll the Council of Economic Advisors has in those processes.
Overview of CEA goals with business list.

H. Frail gave overview of MBTA Community Forum that was held the week prior. Gathered public feedback on Units per acer and how the impact of the zoning changes may change the density of the future zoning changes in select neighborhoods in Needham and the next meeting on Jan 18, 2024 and encouraged members to visit. A. Block to have a CEA meeting about MBTA.

A. Block – Comment on how the next meeting will be after the new year and will focus on MBTA, will be inviting developers and experts in the real estate industry to speak on impact and solicit feedback to make sure Needham MBTA plan is consistent with state regulations and development of good projects.

K. Urquat moves to Adjourn, J. Halpern Second.

Ayes: Adam Block, Kate Urquat, Bill Day, Rick Putprush, Mike Willcox, Lise Elcock, Jeremy Halpern
Leis, Bill, Mike, Adam

Nays - None

Meeting Adjourned