

State of Rhode Island

County of Washington

In Hopkinton on the thirteenth day of October 2020 A.D. the said REMOTE special meeting was called to order by Town Council President Frank Landolfi at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833.

PRESENT: Frank Landolfi, Scott Bill Hirst, Barbara Capalbo, Sylvia Thompson; Town Manager William McGarry. The following individuals participated remotely: Sharon Davis; Town Clerk Elizabeth Cook-Martin; Town Solicitor Kevin McAllister.

The REMOTE meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with a moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

Councilor Davis recused herself from this hearing and read a statement that she had prepared stating the reasons why.

HEARING

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT & ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – CENTRICA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS AND COMOLLI GRANITE CO.

This matter was scheduled to resume and continue the hearing on a Petition for an amendment to the Hopkinton Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map and an amendment to the Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance and Map filed by Centrica Business Solutions, 1484 Candlewood Rd., Ste. T-W, Hanover, MD 21076 and Comolli Granite Co., Inc., 15 Franklin Street, Westerly, RI 02891 for property located at 0 Chase Hill Rd., identified as a portion of AP 2 Lot 73 an RFR-80 Zone. The application is filed in accordance with Section 16 of the Zoning Ordinances of the Town of Hopkinton, as amended, which was heard on September 28, 2020 and continued to October 13, 2020.

The applicants propose use of this site as a limited use commercial site for the installation of a ground mounted solar array. The proposal to utilize the portion of the property in question will require approval of the proposed Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Amendment from Low-Density Residential to

Commercial and a Zoning Map Amendment from RFR-80 to Commercial Special.

A stenographer was present to record the proceedings. The court transcript will be attached and made part of the record. Attorney Joelle Rocha and Jason Gold, Project Engineer were present and spoke on behalf of the applicant and George Comolli was present on behalf of Comolli Granite Co., Inc. All filing fees had been paid and notice posted.

The following residents commented about this project: Sarah Windsor spoke on behalf of the Land Trust, Carol Desrosiers, Elaine Caldarone, Harvey Buford and Eric Bibler.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR CAPALBO AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR THOMPSON TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SET THIS MATTER DOWN FOR A DECISION TO NOVEMBER 2, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

IN FAVOR: Landolfi, Hirst, Capalbo, Thompson

OPPOSED: None

SO VOTED

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILOR CAPALBO AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR HIRST TO ADJOURN.

SO VOTED

Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin

Town Clerk

Marita D. Murray

Deputy Town Clerk