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OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL ZONING ELECTION  
NEWINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 10, 2020

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TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●

ZONING AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will amend the Building Code, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Building Code Amendment #1:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Building Code Amendment #1 as proposed by the Newington Planning Board as follows: Item# 2 on page B-1: No building shall be started or altered without the benefit of a permit, if the value of said construction or alteration is (\$2500.00 Residential \$1000.00 Commercial) or more and no building shall be put to any use different than the use on the day of the enactment of this ordinance until a permit therefore has been issued under the terms of this ordinance. No permit is required (residential only) for repairs necessitated by normal wear and tear provided that such repair is not a structural repair. ~~restores the structure to its original condition and the repair does not effect more than 50% of the value of the structure. (Electrical, Plumbing and HVAC permit threshold \$100.00)~~

YES 191  
NO 98

Explanatory Note: This amendment clarifies when a Building Permit is needed for residential and commercial buildings and does not include new structures.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will amend the Building Code, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Building Code Amendment #2:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Building Code Amendment #2 as proposed by the Newington Planning Board as follows: This amendment will delete item #8 - Piping Materials in the Town's Building Code, item #8 on page B-3 is antiquated and contradicts item #7 - Sewer Connections.

YES 227  
NO 40

Explanatory Note: This amendment merely corrects obsolete materials specifications.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Zoning Amendment #1:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Zoning Amendment #1 as proposed by the Newington Planning Board as follows: This proposed amendment encourages the development of ground mounted solar systems in the Residential District "R" only. The size of the proposed solar system is directly related to the amount of electricity required by the individual residence. A solar cooperative system is not allowed. The provision includes requirements regarding location, buffers, setbacks and lighting. A ground-mount or pole mount solar energy system is an accessory use and a homeowner shall apply for a building permit for such a system.

YES 199  
NO 91

Explanatory Note: This ordinance provides for the installation of solar panels that supply power to a home/lot on which the array is situated

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**ZONING AMENDMENTS**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

**Zoning Amendment #2:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Zoning Amendment #2 as proposed by the Newington Planning Board as follows: To provide clarification to Article IX - Signs by including new definitions of "Sign", "Off-Premise Sign", "Permanent Sign" and "Temporary Sign", expansion of the section Sign Permit Required by adding items the applicant shall provide, addition of a new table titled Sign Quantities, a new section titled Sign Duration for Certain Temporary Signs and clarification regarding setbacks, lighting and signs on public property.

Explanatory Note: This amendment clarifies the definition of a sign and prescribes where and when temporary signs are permitted.

YES 210  
NO 56

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

**Zoning Amendment #3:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Zoning Amendment #3 as proposed by the Newington Planning Board as follows: to insert Article XVIII- Workforce Housing Overlay Zoning as a permitted use in addition to the uses already permitted in the current district covering three parcels identified as Tax Map 12 / Lots 13, 15 and 16.

Explanatory Note: All municipalities in New Hampshire have been required to provide "reasonable and realistic opportunities for the development of workforce housing, including rental and multi-family housing" since January 1, 2010 per NHRSA §674:58. The proposed amendment does not change or modify in any way the existing zoning of the three parcels, but rather, permits (overlays) an additional permitted use - Workforce Housing.

YES 176  
NO 91

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