City of Beverly Special City Council Meeting Public Meeting Minutes Monday, April 4, 2022, 6:30pm City Council Chambers, 191 Cabot St.



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Julie Flowers, City Council President, called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, City Clerk, Lisa Kent, took the attendance by roll call.

Members Present: Hannah Bowen, Steven Crowley, Kathleen Feldman, Scott Houseman, Estelle Rand, Todd Rotondo (arrived at 6:43pm), Matthew St. Hilaire, Brendan Sweeney, Julie Flowers Members Absent: None

Rand led the pledge of allegiance.

Presentations, Awards and Memorials

MBTA Communities - Planning Department Presentation: Review State Legislation and Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development Guidelines, and Discussion

Assistant Planning Director Emily Hutchings presented on the legislation as codified in Section 3A of MGL Chapter 40A, DHCD's draft guidelines, and the timeline for evaluation and compliance. Hutchings confirmed that this means the zoning district must be set, not that all the housing units must be built. Hutchings noted that communities that do not comply will be ineligible for certain state funding. Hutchings stated that the CC district may already meet the requirements, but the City cannot be positive until DHCD provides the final guidelines and the City does a complete analysis of Beverly's zoning. The next steps are to submit the MBTA community information form and begin an evaluation of Beverly's zoning.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion carried (9-0). The meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.