

City of Concord

Fiscal Policy Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, December 18, 2017

4:30 PM

City Hall

41 Green Street, 2nd Floor Conference

Room

1. Call to Order

Chairman Nyhan called the meeting to order at 4:40 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present: City Councilors - Keith Nyhan (Chairman), Mark Coen, Fred Keach, Dan St. Hilaire, and Mayor Jim Bouley. City Staff - Tom Aspell, City Manager; Brian LeBrun, Deputy City Manager - Finance; Carlos Baia, Deputy City Manager - Development; Beth Fenstermacher, Assistant City Planner; and Kristine Tardiff, Conservation Commission Chair.

Excused: City Councilors - Amanda Grady Sexton and Candace White Bouchard.

3. Approval of Minutes

Councilor St. Hilaire moved approval, seconded by Councilor Coen. The minutes were unanimously approved on a voice vote.

4. Conservation & Open Space Plan Update from 11/20/2017 FPAC Meeting

Assistant City Planner Beth Fenstermacher and Conservation Commission Chair Kristine Tardiff presented the committee with a preface they developed to add to the Conservation & Open Space Plan, which they feel addresses the concerns expressed by the committee at the November 20, 2017 FPAC meeting. In addition to the preface, any new recommendations in the Plan that were made by the consultant will be italicized and noted that they are only recommendations for future action.

Committee members reiterated that it should be clear that the Plan is acknowledged by the City Council, but not necessarily endorsed by it. One way of accomplishing this is to remove "City of Concord" from the title of the Plan, which Ms. Fenstermacher and Ms. Tardiff agreed to do. Chairman Nyhan suggested that when the Plan is presented to City Council, it should be done in such a manner as to make it clear that the updates are recommendations only.

The Committee expressed their appreciation for the Conservation Commission's efforts to re-examine this issue.

Councilor St. Hilaire moved, and Councilor Coen seconded, to receive the report and forward it to City Council with the changes discussed. The motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote.

5. Other

There was no other business discussed.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 PM.