Notice of Public Hearing Orange Planning Board Orange, New Hampshire

Pursuant to NH RSA 675:3, notice is hereby given that the Orange Planning Board will hold a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Orange Zoning Ordinance for 2024 ballot vote at the regular meeting of the Orange Planning Board on:

Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00PM at the Orange Town House 8 Town House Road, Orange, NH

The proposed amendments are for the purpose of changing the procedure for an application to grant a Special Exception or Variance to provision(s) of the Zoning Ordinance. As presently written, the Zoning Ordinance requires application to the Planning Board, which board then refers the applicant to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for application, hearing and decision.

Since the Planning Board has no authority to grant Special Exceptions or Waivers, this procedure results in a separate, superfluous application to an agency with no authority to act, which, in the opinion of the Planning Board, places an undue burden on applicants. The resulting procedure will result in a single application to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for such purposes. As there is currently no standard application form, one is included as part of the proposed amendments.

No change to the application procedure for an Accessory Dwelling Unit, for which the Planning Board is the designated agency, is proposed.

Re-lettering/re-numbering of Articles, Sections and paragraphs, as necessary, is also proposed, along with correction of a few minor typographical errors noted during the Planning Boards review of the Zoning Ordinance.

The full text of the Draft Zoning Ordinance with the proposed amendments is available for review at the town website, <u>orangenh.us</u> or at the town offices at 8 Town House Road.