

**MOTION - A: (2/3rds Home Rule Charter)**

Move to amend the Town of Natick Home Rule Charter by adding in ARTICLE 7, GENERAL PROVISIONS, a new section as follows:

**“Section 7-12 Powers, duties, and responsibilities of one local office to be divided and exercised by two or more local offices**

(a) board of appeals – For all matters devolving from general law chapter 40B, sections 20-23; the powers, duties, and responsibilities are divided, and are exercised by the planning board.”

-To amend ARTICLE 3, ELECTED OFFICERS, Section 3-11 Planning Board; to insert in 3-11 (b);

“inclusive of Section 7-12 (a),”

So that the sentence shall read as: “The planning board shall have all of the other powers and duties planning boards are given by general laws, special laws, the charter inclusive of Section 7-12 (a), or the zoning by-laws.”

And further, that the Town Clerk may reasonably number and/or letter these amendments to appropriately sequence these sections.

**MOTION - B: (2/3rds)**

Move: Subject to, and effective on, the approval by the voters in the town election; officially known as the Annual Town Meeting for the determination of all questions, held on the last Tuesday in March of 2019 or such date as the Board of Selectmen may set for said town election; of the Charter changes contained in Motion – A; to amend the Natick Zoning By-laws as follows:

-To amend Section VI-E BOARD OF APPEALS, by inserting; immediately preceding the paragraph that commences with the sentence: “*The Board of Appeals shall have the following powers insofar as this Zoning Bylaw is concerned and in addition to those powers set forth in the Building Code and as defined by the General Laws of Massachusetts*”; A new paragraph as follows:

“Comprehensive Permits: For all matters devolving from G.L. c. 40B, sections 20-23; the powers, duties, and responsibilities are divided, and are exercised by the Planning Board.”

And further, that the Town Clerk may reasonably number and/or letter this amendment to appropriately sequence this section.

-To amend Section VI-EE PLANNING BOARD AS SPECIAL PERMIT GRANTING AUTHORITY, 1 – Powers; by deleting said section 1- powers, and inserting in its stead:

“1 - Powers:

- (a) The Planning Board, acting as a Special Permit Granting Authority, may hear and decide applications for site plan approvals, and grant special permits as is provided for elsewhere in this Zoning By-Law.

(b) The Planning Board, acting in lieu of a board of appeals, shall hear and decide all matters devolving from general law chapter 40B, sections 20-23; for which the powers, duties, and responsibilities are divided by Charter, and are exercised by the Planning Board.”

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