



Memorandum

To: Board of Selectmen

From: M.Malone, Town Administrator

cc: Randy Johnson, Chair Affordable Housing Trust
James Freas, Director Community & Economic Development
Karis North, Town Counsel
John Townsend, Deputy Director of Finance

Date: February 14, 2020

Re: AHT requested transfer of 246 North Main Street & Henry Wilson site

The Affordable Housing Trust is seeking that the Town of Natick transfer the above properties for two different affordable housing projects. At this time, Town Administration is requesting that the Affordable Housing Trust have the property titles and zoning reviewed by Town Counsel, and participate in the internal development review process.

Recently, Mr. Freas created an internal development review process comprised of (Public Safety, DPW, Building Commissioner, Conservation, and Public Health). At these internal meetings, developers and/or prospective property owners present possible designs and buildings so that issues and thoughts may be exchanged to assist the applicant and the Town talk about possible issues and solutions. Further, this additional time will also allow for issues related to procurement to be better defined and understood to help ensure compliance given the specificity of purchasing requirements.

Messrs. Freas and Townsend will provide Attorney North with the records in their respective offices related to the above parcels.