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MEMORANDUM

To: Jonathan Freedman, Chair, Board of Selectmen

From: Scott Laughlin, Chair, Economic Development Committee

CC: James Freas, Director of Community and Economic Development

Rick Jennett, Selectmen Representative, Economic Development Committee

Date: 14 May 2020

RE: COVID-19 Pandemic Business Recovery Plan

In consideration of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Economic Development Committee discussed the unique challenges that local businesses are facing at our May 14, 2020 meeting. Pursuant to that discussion, and in anticipation of a multi-phase reopening of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, we respectfully offer the following recommendation.

The Economic Development Committee recommends that the Board of Selectmen and discretionary review boards/committees, ease regulatory requirements and make similar adjustments, in order to support local businesses in a timely manner, and that the Board of Selectmen develop a Business Recovery Plan for the reopening of our economy.