

Memorandum

To: Hingham Planning Board

From: Tracy Shriver, Gary Tondorf-Dick

Date: October 30, 2025

Re: Hingham Residential Compatibility Standards Subcommittee Report

The Hingham Residential Compatibility Standards Subcommittee was formed with the following purpose:

*The Planning Board created this committee to study the regulatory options to ensure that residential growth and development enhances the character, scale and integrity of the town's neighborhoods. The committee hopes to make recommendations for zoning amendments or adoption of other design and dimensional controls for the Planning Board to consider advancing at Annual Town Meeting 2026.*

The Subcommittee met ten (10) times between June 12, 2025 and October 30, 2025 and the focus to date was on the following points:

- Floor Area Ratio and/or Lot Coverage
- Section III-I/2, i.e. Hatfield Amendment

Given the limited time the committee had, and the complexity of the topic, the Subcommittee does not recommend any zoning amendments for the Planning Board to consider for Town Meeting 2026. The Subcommittee would like to continue studying these items into 2026 with a new goal of recommending zoning amendments to the Planning Board to consider for Town Meeting 2027.

Sincerely,

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Gary Tondorf-Dick