

TOWN OF ANDOVER

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Memorandum to: The Andover Planning and Zoning Commission

From: Eric Anderson Andover Town Administrator, submitted on behalf of the Board of Selectmen

RE: CGS chapter 26 Section 8-24 Statutory referral on Behalf of the Board of Selectman for a Community Center

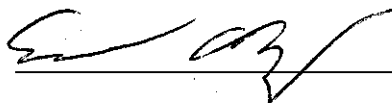
The town of Andover owns property at 17 School Rd in andover and wishes to build a new community Center.

The Plan of Conservation and Development from 2015 does not directly address a Community/Senior Center as a need. At the time, the town had a Senior center/ community building in existence at Center St. Shortly after, the old community center located at 15 Center St was condemned (in 2018) due to excessive mold levels.

In the same year, (2018) the Long-Term Planning Committee conducted a survey of residents 73% were in favor of building a new Community/Senior Center. When the question about where to build it was asked, the area near the school and town hall was the preferred location. While the Long-term Planning committee final report was never adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commision as an addendum to the POCD, it acts as a supplementing document.

The Board of Selectman has approved conceptual plans attached to this application. There are no final plans at this stage, and the exact location is not yet identified. However, for the purposes of an 8-24 referral it is sufficient. In this case the role of the PZC is to determine if the proposed community/senior center is consistent with the objectives.

The PZC will see a further special permit application for the building if/after the zone change is adopted.


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