3A MBTA Advisor Committee Meeting Minutes 08/21/2023

Chair Jodie Garzon called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

The Following persons were present via Zoom: Economic Development and Planning Director, Robert Weiss, Fire Chief Richard Barrett, Jodie Garzon, Madeline Yusna, Craig Schultze, Jeffery Germagian, Dan Merrikan and Nicole Riley.

John Cruz from MAPC reviewed the 3A regulation changes including the allowance of mixed-use development and updated non-compliance penalties.

The Committee and MAPC discussed the potential parking issues that come along with mixed use development, the Ann & Hope property and Lavender Street, 3-story height limit pros and cons, and 3A district boundaries.

Alex Koppelman from MAPC discusses Inclusionary zoning which provides affordable housing. Inclusionary zoning could be added to the 3A zoning, that state will require a financial feasibility to prove IZ requirements will not deter development in a 3A district.

Committee member Craig Schultze made a motion to adjourn at 8:36pm. Committee member Dan Merrikan seconded the motion. Chair Garzon polled the Committee and the motion passed unanimously.