



TOWN OF FOXBOROUGH

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Barnett Ovrut, Chair
Foxborough Zoning Board
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Dear Mr. Ovrut and Members of the Board,

At their meeting of February 9, 2023, the Planning Board discussed the application and plans submitted in support of the Walnut Street 40B application, which is currently before your Board.

The Planning Board is supportive of this project for the following reasons:

1. Foxborough seniors need affordable housing. Some seniors are unable to move out of homes without leaving Foxborough. These new housing units should help increase housing opportunities for some of these local seniors.
2. Local preference for first round of rentals will be beneficial to Foxborough residents.
3. The Walnut Street signal associated with this project will benefit not only the neighborhood but the entire community.
4. The Board is aware Foxborough Housing Authority (FHA) has a long wait list for senior housing.
5. The revenue from the land lease for this project will allow the FHA to make improvements to existing FHA properties.
6. The proposed massing appears to be sensitive to area. Buildings are three stories, not four, and the Board is aware density is required in order to accommodate 200 units.
7. The plan for the property looks like a lot went into it.

The Board noted that this project has been years in the making.

Sincerely,


Kevin Weinfeld, Chairman (pa)
Foxborough Planning Board

Copies to: William G. Keegan, Jr., Foxborough Town Manager