



**LEBANON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025 - 6:30 PM
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- 1. Call to Order**
 - 2. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. September 11, 2025
 - B. October 9, 2025
 - 3. Open to the Public**
 - 4. Permit Review**
 - A. None
 - 5. Study Items**
 - A. Review and comment on proposed Zoning Amendments
 - 6. Committee Reports**
 - A. Biodiversity Group (Invasives)
 - B. Stewardship
 - Ranger
 - Trail Coordinator
 - Monitors and Stewards
 - C. Wild about Lebanon
 - D. Amphibian Crossings
 - E. LUCT/Current Use
 - F. Other Subcommittees
 - 7. Other Business**
 - A. FYIs
 - B. Follow Up
 - C. Workshops and Educational Opportunities
 - 8. Future Agenda Items**
 - 9. Adjournment**

The order of agenda items is subject to change.

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**LEBANON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Remote Via Microsoft Teams
LebanonNH.gov/Live
September 11, 2025
5:30 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sarah Riley (Chair), Susan Almy, (Alt.), Erling Heistad, Chris Johnson, Donald Lacey, Ernst Oidtmann

MEMBERS ABSENT: Barbara Hirai

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Goodwin (GIS Coordinator)

1 **1. CALL TO ORDER:**
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3 **2. Living in Lebanon Focus Group Housing Discussion**
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- 5 A. Housing and Land Conservation Focus Group facilitated by Steve Whitman and Zak Brohinsky
6 of Resilience Planning & Design (1 hour)
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8 Mr. Steve Whitman (RPD) opened the meeting and introduced himself along with Mr. Brohinsky
9 (RPD).

10 Following are the attendees that introduced themselves (aside from ConCom members listed
11 above):
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13 Ellen Hindor, Vital Communities, Jeannie McIntyre and Peg Marrins, Upper Valley Land Trust,
14 Henry Bromberg, Lebanon Energy Advisory Committee, Brendon Gilmore, Saxon Partners,
15 Russell Hersley, Upper Valley Trails Alliance, Tim McNamara, City Council and Chair of the
16 Housing Task Force, Ben Wallace, Nature Conservancy, New Hampshire, Lucas Dunford, Valley
17 News, Maryann Peters, resident, Renee Thelan, Associate Planner, Upper Valley Lakes &
18 Regional Planning Commission, Val Stinson, Enfield resident, Jonathan Chaffee, Lebanon
19 Energy Advisory Committee, Amy Margolis, Lebanon Property Management
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21 The City has received HOP (Housing Opportunity Planning funds) and has been working the past
22 several months with the Lebanon Housing Task Force resulting in substantial Lebanon data thus
23 far as well as several outreach initiatives, most recently as tonight's outreach at the Farmer's
24 Market at Colburn Park. The goal is to form a new plan that will help inform the new housing
25 chapter for Lebanon for the Master Plan that will actually guide policy and non-regulatory related
26 initiatives over the coming decade and after.
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28 Mr. Brohinsky spoke next and said a key consideration is how housing and conservation can
29 work together.
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31 Key data points and questions for discussion today:
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- 1 • Sprawl versus infill development and understanding trends in development
- 2 • Shifting development of housing types in Lebanon (single housing represents only 6% of
- 3 *current development* whereas 90% is 7 or more residential units, and 3% are 2-4 units).
- 4 • Even middle-income households are struggling to find options for housing in Lebanon
- 5 • New housing appears to be skewed towards higher income households
- 6 • If Lebanon were to house 25% of its projected 2034 population, it would need 872 new
- 7 housing units, so they cannot all be single family homes on multi-acre lots
- 8 • What is the optimal housing mix, how do they work with builders to accomplish this, and
- 9 how does Lebanon align Conservation goals and balance affordability?

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- 11 1-What makes the City of Lebanon distinct and special?
- 12 2- How would you describe the current housing situation in Lebanon?
- 13 3- In what ways is housing, such as availability, types, or costs impacting you or other community
- 14 members that you are aware of?
- 15 4- What solutions or opportunities do you see related to housing, worth pursuing in Lebanon?
- 16 Where should the City direct new housing in the City?
- 17 What types of housing do you think are needed most?
- 18 Are there ways for Housing and Conservation to work together?
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20 Ms. Almy said that new housing going up to wildlife areas can be unfortunate for the wildlife. The more
 21 nature trails, the more problems. On a different topic, she also said that a resident of a condo unit gets
 22 twice the property tax per unit compared to other housing types.

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 24 Mr. Lacey said that the Conservation Commission needs to learn how to best work with Housing, to get
 25 the best results for all. It was agreed that the willingness to come to the table is promising.

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 27 One audience member said that she and others are already having difficulty getting doctors and medical
 28 care and wondered what this will look like as Lebanon continues to grow.

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 30 Mr. McNamara clarified that when they refer to “infill”, they are referencing unutilized or underutilized
 31 parcels within the urban area, that are already serviced with water and sewer. He mentioned a current
 32 cottage development underway on Barrow Street.

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 34 Mr. Goodwin shared more background about policy documents and the current scenario where more
 35 housing is needed and there are competing demands. For example, he’s aware that there is a demand for
 36 the \$1M plus homes on larger lots, alongside the obvious need of increased volume of affordable housing
 37 for many.

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 39 Con Com members shared some history of Lebanon. One shared that he is aware that some people are
 40 selling their homes here, because they can no longer afford rising Lebanon taxes. Mr. Heistad shared a
 41 story of a family (the head of household is a plumber) he knows that lived here in Lebanon for their entire
 42 lives but have had to sell their home due to being unable to afford Lebanon taxes. One also stated that the
 43 number of school age children is low for the number of people living here.

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 45 Mr. Whitman shared some other meetings (like this one) that they will be having over the next few weeks.
 46 Their goal is to get a diversity of perspectives; all are welcome!

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1 Chair Sarah Riley shared that there is a lot of opportunity for housing, that has no impact on conservation,
2 but of course some does.

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4 Mr. Oidtmann inquired if this Task Force is addressing the homeless. Mr. Nathan Reichert, Director,
5 Planning & Development, offered that yes, they are included, and he refers to the Lebanon housing efforts
6 as covering the homeless to the high end.

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8 Mr. Ben Wallace , Nature Conservancy, NH (lives in New London), shared some observations. He sees
9 another kind of “municipal siloing”, because Wilmet is having similar challenges. HOP grants go to the
10 bigger towns, not to smaller towns like Wilmet. He posed the idea that Lebanon take up this challenge as
11 well.

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13 Mr. Bruce James, Vice Chair, asked about the hospital and the fact that much of their traveling staff is
14 competing for places to rent. He wondered if anyone could share more information about Dartmouth
15 Medical and how their housing demands impacts Lebanon overall. Mr. Reichert shared how lack of
16 housing negatively impacts Dartmouth Medical, and their employee retention. Many of their employees
17 are here for 2 to 3 years but then are forced to move out of the area, because there is not affordable
18 housing for them to purchase.

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20 Mr. Jonathan Chaffee, LEAC, shared some history that there used to be quite a few “rooming houses” for
21 single people on fixed incomes. These are now coming back but on the higher end of the market. He
22 thinks there is a role or place for this in Lebanon and could help address some of the homeless problem.

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24 Ms. Almy said that we don’t just need housing for the homeless, we also need it for other low/lower wage
25 earners, that help contribute to the quality of our lives. She also said that multi-family units are the most
26 profitable for builders, which is why you see so much growth with these.

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28 Mr. Chris Johnson, Conservation Commission, said that he wishes to see Lebanon consider **building up**, a
29 lot more up, such as Lebanon Towers and higher, and posed the audience to imagine how many people
30 that could house, while also conserving land.

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32 Mr. Reichert shared that on a positive note Lebanon High School is #2 in the State of New Hampshire,
33 and a Top 600 School in the United States. This contributes to Lebanon being a magnet of attracting new
34 residents. He also commented about the excellent body of work that Mr. Mark Goodwin has compiled
35 about the City of Lebanon; it is current, useful, and timely.

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37 Ms. Catherine Patch, Hanover (attending remotely) said she wanted to echo the idea of updating the
38 zoning regulations, for shared housing, and she thinks Lebanon needs to increase the number of people
39 that are allowed in housing units, when the people living in the property are unrelated. Ms. Almy said this
40 is also New Hampshire legislature, and the State taxes people with a meals and rooms tax if living in the
41 housing for under 6 months.

42 43 **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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45 A. June 12, 2025

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47 **Ms. Almy MOVED to approve the June 12, 2025 Minutes as amended**
48 **Seconded by Mr. Lacey**

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Amendments:

- Page 2, Line 5-6 (missing one word “had”) change sentence to:
The Conservation Commission and the Saxon team discussed many components of the wetland impacts and other impacts associated with the project.
- Page 2, Line 48 replace He with Mr. Wilkes
- Page 2, Lines 41-44 change to:
This project is proposing some limited wetland impact related to the two new stream crossings. Those crossings are at the narrowest points of the wetlands, but there will be edge impacts there. A 3rd wetland impact is proposed on Hanover St., to extend the sidewalk there, which was a condition of the planning board.
- Page 2, Line 49 change to: Mr. Wilkes spelled out temporary and permanent impacts to the stream bank and stream bed , and they shared an impact chart with the Con Com (see Agenda packet).
- Page 3, line 2 & 14 correct spelling of swell to swale
- Page 5, line 37, add Mt Support Rd
- Page 5, line 28, change loss to Lost
- Page 5, Line 15, add HB124

***The MOTION was approved (6-0.)**

B. June 12, 2025 Site Walk

**Mr. Lacey MOVED to approve the June 12, 2025 Site Walk Minutes as amended
Seconded by Mr. Johnson**

Change Ms. Almy to Absent since she did not participate in this site walk.

***The MOTION was approved (6-0.)**

- 4. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** none
- 5. PERMIT REVIEW:** none
- 6. STUDY ITEMS**

A. Ranger Introduction (15 minutes)

Mr. Goodwin introduced Mr. Neal Montibello, who has been our Ranger (part time) the past two months. Mr. Montibello obtained his Bachelor’s degree in December 2024 from the University of Maine, with a focus on Forrest Ecology. His prior work experience includes having worked for the Forrest Service in Oregon and a research position while obtaining his degree. He is local and currently lives in Hanover.

Some of his work thus far includes:

- Patrolling and monitoring the trails in Lebanon
- Trimming brush along trails and around kiosks, removing smaller trees/limbs with handsaw
- Updating sign inventory on field maps
- Installed three new trail bridges at Farnum south entrance, Goodwin ski jump entrance, and Burnt mountain trail near summit

- 1 • Completed weed whacking at several trail entrances, Jackson blueberries, Signal Hill Summit,
- 2 Two Rivers, Baker’s Crossing, etc.
- 3 • Blazing at Goodwin conservation area
- 4 • Ticknor: he has opened up the vernal pool trail
- 5 • Picked up garbage along trails and around kiosks (True Ledges) and put up signage that it is
- 6 illegal to dump garbage on these lands
- 7 • Enforcing camping regulations at Boston Lot
- 8 • Clearing and maintaining drainages/water bars (Boston Lot gravel road)
- 9 • Assessing trail layout for rerouting/better signage/trail map updates where necessary
- 10 • Put up string at True’s Ledges in front of steep cliffs
- 11 •

12 Work he will be starting:

- 13 • Continue with all tasked he has started and identify other necessary maintenance
- 14 • Remove larger downed trees with chain saw
- 15 • Picnic tables: build or buy pre-made for Boston Lot and Mill Parcel
- 16 • Install steep cliff signs at True’s Ledges
- 17 • Ticknor: finish work on opening vernal pool trail, install signage
- 18 • Reroute trails/update maps/signs: Two Rivers, Burnt Mountain Summit area, Jackson, Signal Hill
- 19 and possibly others
- 20 • Boundary marking
- 21 • Continue updating blazes
- 22 • Sweep drainages after leaves fall
- 23 • Outreach ideas include Trail of the Month, Guided Ranger Walks, etc.

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25 Mr. Oidtmann noticed some of the work that Neal has completed and thanked him. Mr. Oidtmann offered
26 his help along Farnum Hill, near where he lives. He also commented about the trails of Burns Mountain
27 and asked Mr. Montibello if he could come up with signage that more clearly defines directions there. Mr.
28 Montibello, he agreed to do this.

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30 Mr. Montibello currently has ID he carries (for his Ranger role), Mr. Goodwin plans for the City to also
31 get him a jacket and shirts that says “Ranger” so that he is more readily distinguishable by the public.

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33 B. Conceptual Review for Planning Board application: **SPNH Mount Support, LLC, Mount**
34 **Support Road (Tax Map 24, Lot 1, Plot 100), zoned R-1 & R-3:** Applicant requests conceptual
35 review per Section 4.3 B of the Site Plan Review Regulations of a proposed 260-unit residential
36 development consisting of three (3) 4-story multi-family dwellings. **PB2025-42-CON** (30
37 minutes)

38 C.

39 Mr. Brendan Gilmore represented Saxon Partners at the meeting.

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41 Ms. Riley said that Con Com now has the opportunity to comment to the Planning Board, with a focus on
42 the natural resources. Mr. Goodwin said the main objective is to raise the attention of the Planning Board
43 to things they might not be aware of. He asked Mr. Gilmore about the wall height. Mr. Gilmore said that
44 the wall height at the entrance will be approximately 30’ tall. He also stated that blasting will be required.
45 They will have a full-time Geo technical engineer on site throughout this project.

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1 Ms. Riley said they can point out that this project will impact at least 12,623 square feet of wetlands,
2 which is big, regardless if they are “low value”. She also said it would be important to let the Planning
3 Board know that Con Com had a site walk, and that they encourage the Planning Board to do the same,
4 though the appearance/water changes throughout the year, and so they might not experience hearing
5 running water beneath their feet, like Con Com did in April.
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7 Mr. James (Vice Chair) still suggests this project not move forward as he stated and wrote for April’s Con
8 Com meeting (see attachment). First, he sees a hillside, and this project is proposing to build one
9 property basically “on top of” the other, up the hill. Additionally, there will be an additional AOT, and to
10 him, this presents a lot of unpredictable impacts. Therefore, he also recommends that the DES complete a
11 site walk.
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13 Mr. Gilmore said that they had a site walk about three weeks ago with DES and VHB; they have not yet
14 received an official response.
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16 Mr. James used the phrase “designing with nature not against nature”, with the goal of trying to make the
17 project fit with minimal impacts. What he has seen is a dramatic disturbance of the natural watershed. For
18 example, can it fit into the contour of the land with minimal change and minimal impact on hydrology.
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20 Ms. Riley said that if this project moves forward, that they project team reconsider many things since she
21 still thinks this project is too large for the buildable space. The solution could be a smaller project, taking
22 into account the wetlands. If this project moves forward, she ask that the Planning Board and the project
23 team reevaluate building size, parking lot size, driveway length, etc.
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25 Ms. Almy discussed some history of West Lebanon and the flooding that took place with Hurricane Irene
26 (downgraded to a windstorm). The City lost 4 units of a 15-unit building, and they lost the entrance to
27 Slayton Hill Rd. She lives on Poverty Lane and said that they had so much water between March and July
28 that there was 6” pools of water in front of many of the houses there. And now, the same area is in danger
29 of fires, due to the current draught. These types of events are likely to increase in the future, causing
30 conditions to vary extremely.
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32 ***Mr. Heistad MOVED to have the following comments be submitted to the Planning Board (PB) as***
33 ***part of the conceptual review:***
34 ***Seconded by Mr. Johnson***
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36 The ConCom held a site walk in April 2025 and strongly encourages the PB to hold a site walk, but to be
37 aware that current conditions are quite dry in comparison to other times of the year. During the ConCom
38 site walk, the full extent of the hydrology was prevalent, including flowing intermittent streams, ponding,
39 and sheet flow, and subsurface flow was heard. These wet areas extended beyond the delineated wetlands.
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- 41 • The proposal is essentially placing new buildings up above an existing building. This project will
42 need a retaining wall estimated to be 30” high.
- 43 • The degree of blasting that will be required is evidence of inappropriate site location and project
44 design
- 45 • The two AOT permits (one for the first phase and a new one will be required for this project)
46 being required are testament of asking too much of this site

- 1 • There are Steep slope concerns. This project is a good example of where slope restrictions, as
- 2 called for in the Route 120 study, should be expanded
- 3 • We have concerns with the timing of the AOT approval, including the AOT being conditioned as
- 4 opposed to required up front
- 5 • The amount of wetland impact is significant with permanent impacts in excess of 12k sq. ft.
- 6 • Attention should be paid to DES Wetland Bureau comments and/or Requests for More
- 7 Information related to the wetland permit application, as well as information provided to DES
- 8 from the applicant
- 9 • Projects of this scale and type should have dedicated open space areas, such as dog parks,
- 10 community gardens, landscape plazas, or pocket parks to minimize the impacts on adjacent
- 11 natural areas and water resources.
- 12 • The remaining acreage should be permanently protected, as proposed by the applicant

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14 Solutions or alternative options could include a design with less impact, to include a decrease in building
15 size, parking lot size, driveway configuration, as well as the overall design.

16 The Planning Board should be asking the question as to whether blasting hillsides and filling wetlands for
17 housing projects is what Lebanon should be doing.

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19 On a related note: The Conservation Commission would ask that the Planning Board support the concept
20 that AOT permit applications be sent to ConCom (and PB) as part of the default process. Additionally,
21 Mr. Bruce James' April 2025 memo is being submitted as part of this document (also in Conservation
22 Commission April 10, 2025 Minutes).

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24 ****The vote on the MOTION was approved (6-0).***

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26 D. 2026 Con Com Budget (30 minutes)
27 It was agreed Con Com will continue to fund Mr. Montibello's salary, as well as sufficient funds to add
28 picnic tables to the sites mentioned earlier in today's meeting.

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30 ***Mr. Heistad MOVED to approve a budget of \$5,000 be allocated.***
31 ***Seconded by Mr. Lacey***

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33 ****The MOTION was approved (6-0).***

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35 Mr. Goodwin said that the City is asking for Con Com provide their 2026 budget number. It was agreed
36 that Con Com will allocate their 2026 budget to be the same amount as 2025. All their budget money will
37 continue to come from the Lost Fund.

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39 ***Mr. Lacey MOVED to approve this.***
40 ***Seconded by Mr. Johnson***

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42 ****The MOTION was approved (6-0).***

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44 **7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 45 A. Biodiversity Group (Invasive)
- 46 B. Stewardship
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- 1 -Ranger
- 2 -Trail Coordinator
- 3 -Monitors and Stewards
- 4 Mr. Lacey said that recently he and Vergis repaired a damaged picnic table.

- 5 C. Wild about Lebanon
- 6 D. Amphibian Crossings
- 7 E. LUCT/Current Use
- 8 F. Other Subcommittees

9 **8. OTHER BUSINESS**

- 10 A. FYIs
- 11 B. Mr. Oidtmann shared that on the Aspen Wall Trail, there were several trees down on the south
- 12 point and on another nearby trail. He took care of these, but his equipment was damaged in the
- 13 process.

14 Mr. Lacey said that an organization, Red Bird Consulting(project lead by Sue Cobb and Jennifer

15 Reardon) organization helping mothers whose children are in recovery is going to attempt to do

16 some transplanting of some rare plants near the top of Mt. Support Rd. on September 20th at

17 around 9:00AM. Mr. Lacey is going to be there to help them identify plants. Mr. Lacey said that

18 he was told by them that the land is rocky, and they think the project is in all likelihood undoable.

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20 Ms. Almy stated that the second largest and most important wetland in Lebanon, Martin Brook

21 Headwaters, is totally dried up right now.

- 22 C. Follow Up
- 23 D. Workshops and Educational Opportunities
- 24 The **Annual Conference is Saturday, November 1, 2025**, and registration is already open. It
- 25 will be at Pembroke again. Ms. Riley also sent Con Com members information on other
- 26 upcoming opportunities, one coming up as early as tomorrow. It will be a series of webinars and
- 27 lunch and learns on how to use the DES applications. She noted that one upcoming lunch &learn
- 28 is about waste production.

29 **9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

30 **10. ADJOURNMENT**

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32 ***Mr. Lacey MOVED for adjournment.***

33 ***Seconded by Mr. Johnson***

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35 ****The MOTION was approved (6-0).***

36 **The meeting was adjourned at 8:58PM by Chair Riley.**

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38 Respectfully submitted,

39 Cinda Mersel

40 Recording Secretary

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42 ***This DRAFT was delayed due to the media not being available for this meeting for several days.**

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44 Attachment 1

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Conservation Commission meeting April 10, 2025 , page 3 excerpt: attachment 1

The Lebanon Conservation Commission recommends that the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) not approve the following application:

Saxon Real Estate Partners, LLC, 0 Mount Support Rd (Tax Map 24, Lot 1, Plot 100) – Major Impact Application, for construction of a new 3-building, 4-story residential apartment complex with podium and surface parking, amenities, and landscape improvements that would include 106 SF of temporary impacts and 12,623 SF of permanent impacts CC2025-03 DES #2025-00567

The following reasoning is provided to support the recommendation for not granting approval:

Given that landscape alteration and an Alteration of Terrain (AOT) will be needed to develop this site on the Bernardston soils and in this wetland watershed complex, the plan as proposed with land alteration and building is ill-advised. There are too many unknown and possibly unpredictable, interactions on and off the Site between hydrology, soils, wetlands, and existing buildings downslope to proceed with this project as proposed. During the site visit water was observed flowing above and below the surface beyond the areas delineated on the wetland map. Additional shallow pools of standing water and ephemeral streams were observed within the proposed build of disturbed area that were not mapped.

Mr. Bruce James MOVED to have the Conservation Commission request DES not approve the application for this project. Con Com will provide the above statement to submit to DES. Secoded by Mr. Ernst Oidtmann

**The MOTION was approved unanimously*

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MEMBERS ABSENT: Bruce James, Ernst Oidtmann

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Goodwin (GIS Coordinator)

1 **1. CALL TO ORDER:**

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3 A. Chair Riley called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

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5 **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None

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7 **3. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

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9 **4. PERMIT REVIEW:** None

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11 **5. STUDY ITEMS:**

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13 A. **Proposed Gift of Land** – 22-acre property located on Stevens Rd., Lebanon, NH Tax Map
14 28, Lot 14

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16 Mr. Craig Privett, Conservation Project Manager, Upper Valley Land Trust introduced himself. He is here
17 today to follow up on the May meeting he had with Con Com, to seek a recommendation that the City
18 Council receive the gift of land from UVLT subject to a conservation easement, similar to the one on
19 Signal Hill. They envision that it will also be managed similarly to Signal Hill.

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21 Ideally, they would like an assurance from the City of Lebanon that they are open to taking this gift of
22 land, as soon as possible, subject to a conservation easement held by the Upper Valley Land Trust.

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24 The goal for this evening is to get the endorsement from the Conservation Commission for this gift.

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26 ***Mr. Don Lacey MOVED to approve the following:***

27 ***Seconded by Ms. Susan Almy***

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29 The Lebanon Conservation Commission strongly recommends that the Lebanon City Council accept the
30 gift of ownership of the Rutter property (22 acres located on Stevens Rd. Lebanon, NH, Tax Map 28, Lot
31 14) from Upper Valley Land Trust, subject to a conservation easement, to be held by Upper Valley Land
32 Trust.

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34 ****The MOTION was approved (6-0).***

B. ARM Fund Grant Application Discussion for 1 Foundry Street

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4 Mr. Chris Spalding, Eco Environmental Solutions (a wetlands scientist and a restoration ecologist) ,
5 representing LWM for their ARM project. He shared a map of the area they are proposing to restore (a
6 total of approximately 2 acres) by removing invasive species e.g., knotweed, and replacing with other
7 native plantings, including black willow, alders, hemlocks, pine needles, etc., thereby acidifying the soil.
8 He has a species list he will provide Con Com. There is also substantial cleanup of concrete, brick, and
9 other debris they propose to completely remove.

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11 There will be 210 linear feet of river enhancement and some stream bank restoration (3,000 sq. ft.) and he
12 anticipates substantial positive impact on expanding the riparian zone in this area.

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14 Their work should strengthen the banks and, in all likelihood, diversify the avian population.

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16 This will require at least a 5-year monitoring plan, which Mr. Spalding said LWM is committing to.

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18 LWM wants a third-party land holder. They are also looking for any funding opportunities with the
19 easement.

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21 Chair Riley thinks that the conservation of this area is a great idea. She shared that Con Com has a policy
22 of not holding their own conservation easements and would work with UVLT, or the Connecticut River
23 Conservancy, etc. as two examples, to hold easements on land that they might actually own. Also, she
24 said that ConCom has the desire to use their Lebanon Open Space Trust Fund to help conserve land in
25 general.

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27 LWM has applied for funding from the State, and they are waiting to hear back. To date, they haven't
28 received any funding from any non-profits, or other organizations.

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30 The motivation behind this is that the owner feels this would be a more appealing area.

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32 The Army Corp or Engineers as well as the State Fish & Wildlife have agreed this is a worthwhile
33 project.

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35 Chair Riley thinks it is exciting to see the potential restoration of riverbanks and other riparian areas in a
36 neglected urban setting as opposed to the concretization of riverbanks. The specialness of this portion of
37 the Mascoma River just south of downtown makes this a special project. She noted that general area is an
38 important flood storage area, and she posed that this could also be an inspiration to other large
39 landowners, such as the property just downstream from this woolen mill, e.g., the River Mill campus).

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41 Mr. Spalding said they would appreciate getting a letter of support from the Conservation Commission.

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43 Ms. Hirai and others Con Com members suggested several groups that might be willing to support this
44 project with letters of support and/or actual funding and/or work. Some cited:

45 The Lebanon Rotary Club (String of Pearls), Ducks Unlimited, Trout Unlimited, New Hampshire
46 Audubon (Pam Hunt), Dartmouth Outing Club, and also a local kayaking group.

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48 Chair Riley said that if Mr. Spalding speaks with the abutting property owner of River Mill, this would be
49 a beautiful place for a pocket park near Black Smith St.

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1 Mr. Goodwin said that monitoring this land is more important than the transfer of ownership. Mr.
2 Spalding said that LWM will retain the ownership of this land, but it will have an attachment to the
3 owner's deed and will be surveyed out for the area of the conservation easement.

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5 **Mr. Erling *MOVED* to approve supporting this project with a letter of endorsement and to also be a**
6 **partner in supporting this project with funding the legal fees of the conservation easement**
7 **Seconded by Ms. Almy**

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9 ***The MOTION was approved (6-0).**

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11 Chair Riley will prepare this document for LWM within the next week.

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13 Mr. Spalding proposed a field trip with the Conservation Commission, and it was agreed they would do
14 this. Mr. Spalding will continue to communicate and coordinate with Mr. Mark Goodwin.

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16 Ms. Hirai and Mr. Johnson offered some positive impacts to include in the Con Com letter. Lastly,
17 Ms. Hirai also suggested Mr. Spalding talk with the Connecticut River Conservancy (CRC) as a possible
18 partner.

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21 **6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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23 **A. Biodiversity Group (Invasives)**

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25 Ms. Hirai attended a Zoom session last night that focused on DMAP (Deer Management Area Program).
26 Lynn Fisher is moving forward with working with the City to get support for Lebanon to start this
27 program. Ms. Fisher met recently with Mr. Tim McNamara, City Council member and he in turn will be
28 able to explain this initiative to the City Council.

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30 **B. Stewardship**
31 **-Ranger**

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33 Mr. Goodwin provided an update of the work that Mr. Neil Montibello, City Ranger, is doing. He
34 will continue to move forward with replacing 2-3 picnic tables. He glazed the east side of Farnum
35 Hill, up to Marie's Way. He will continue lopping (e.g., Boston Lot) thereby widening trails. He
36 will also be clearing the drainage ditches before the start of seasonal heavy rains. He would also
37 like to get the two roofs on the kiosks completed. Mr. Goodwin also said they will be buying an
38 electric chain saw.

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40 Con Com discussed the fencing on Mt. Support Rd., and they were unclear if it is down or not.
41 Chair Riley will plot this to see what fence is supposed to be removed and convey her findings.

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43 **-Trail Coordinator**
44 **-Monitors and Stewards**

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46 On October 3, 2025, Ms. Hirai, and Chair Riley along with 16 volunteers from Hypertherm
47 worked at Two Rivers to clear the trail. They also moved a tree that was across the trail, cleared
48 and sized autumn olive and vegetation along trails, and they also sized the Bridge Meadow.

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50 Ms. Hirai said that they have one new volunteer interested in Stewardship or whatever is needed,
51 possibly at either Boston Lot or Barnum Hill.

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- C. Wild about Lebanon
- D. Amphibian Crossings
- E. LUCT/Current Use
- F. Other Subcommittees

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. FYIs

Ms. Hirai said that the City just recycled 2,000 lbs.(3 truckloads) of Styrofoam. Mr. Johnson said this project is announced on the City of Lebanon newsletter. Also, Chair Riley keeps updates listed on List Serve.

The recycled product is used for decks as well as frames and currently gets shipped to Canada.

Ms. Hirai will share the link about Styrofoam learning opportunities with ConCom members. She attended a lunch & learn on this topic and found it very informative.

The Tree Advisory Board along with volunteers will be planting trees on October 11th, including hackberry, dogwood, honey locusts, and a tulip tree among others. They will meet at 9:00AM at the Seminary Hill Building.

B. Follow Up

C. Workshops and Educational Opportunities

The Annual Conference is Saturday November 1, 2025. Mr. Ernst Oidtmann is planning to attend.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Ms. Hirai has ideas for maps on the kiosks as well as trail names and will compile information to share with Con Com at a future meeting.

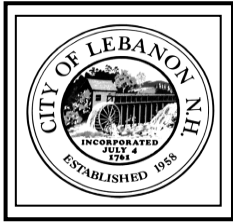
9. ADJOURNMENT:

*Mr. Heistad **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting
Seconded by Mr. Johnson*

**MOTION was approved (6-0).*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM by Chair Riley.

Respectfully submitted,
Cinda Mersel
Recording Secretary



CITY OF LEBANON ~ PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lebanon Conservation Commission

FROM: Planning and Development Department Staff

RE: 2025-2026 Proposed Zoning Amendments

DATE: November 5, 2025

Attached is the list of proposed zoning amendments for the 2025-2026 cycle.

The purpose of the Conservation Commission review of the amendments is to provide feedback to City Staff and City Council. A review of the amendments will also be done by the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board. Leading up to this meeting, the Planning Department Staff has held public information sessions about the map amendments and presented the amendments to the Planning Board and Heritage Commission at public meetings to get feedback. Staff has taken the feed back into account in the versions presented to City Council. Two more public question and answer sessions are scheduled for December.

The amendments are broken up in to six categories. The first category is amendments required due to State legislative updates. The second category is map amendments. These map amendments are the result of the 120 Corridor Study that was completed in 2024. The study area was broken in to three areas for the purpose of rezoning: Centerra/Alteria, LaBombard Road, and Heater Road. The final map amendments for this area are for conservation purposes that protect an existing wildlife corridor from further development. Included in the map amendments are corresponding text amendments. The third category consists of amendments that are sponsored by City Boards. The fourth category is larger text amendments to entire sections of the Zoning Ordinance. The fifth category is smaller miscellaneous and technical amendments, such as changes to definitions. And the final category is petitioned amendments. Petitioned amendments are amendments brought forward by members of the public and not City staff or Boards.

Please note that there are two amendments proposed for Section 607.8 "Electric Vehicles". The City Council has created a working group to navigate having multiple amendments proposed for the same topic.

The amendments included in this packet include:

1. State Legislative Updates:
 - a. **Amendment 1:** HB1361: Manufactured Homes
 - b. **Amendment 2:** HB631: Multifamily Residential
 - c. **Amendment 3:** HB284: Residential Parking Requirements
 - d. **Amendment 4:** HB577: ADUs
2. Map Amendments and corresponding text amendments:
 - a. **Amendment 5:** Centerra/Altaría
 - b. **Amendment 6:** Conservation Area
 - c. Amendment 7: LaBombard Road
 - d. Amendment 8: Heater Road
 - e. Amendment 9: Wildlife Corridor Map and Text
 - f. **Amendment 10:** Northern Lebanon Use Tables & Text
3. City Board, Commission, Committee Sponsored Amendments
 - a. **Amendment 11:** Section 408: Historic District (Heritage Commission Sponsored)
 - b. **Amendment 12:** Mobile Food Service Vending Ordinance (Food Truck Task Force)
 - c. **Amendment 13:** EV Regulations Section 607.8 (LEAC Sponsored)
4. Text Amendments
 - a. **Amendment 14:** Section 608: Signs; Definitions: Window Signs & regulatory streamlining
 - b. **Amendment 15:** Section 411: Pattern Zones Overlay District
 - c. **Amendment 16:** Section 509: Cottage Cluster Developments
5. Misc & Technical Amendments
 - a. **Amendment 17:** Definition of *Care and Treatment of Animals* broken down & change of corresponding use tables.
 - b. **Amendment 18:** Section 1000
 - c. **Amendment 19:** Definition of **Lot** & Definition of **Agriculture**
 - d. **Amendment 20:** Changes to Impact Fees
6. Petitioned Amendments
 - a. **Petitioned Amendment 1: Map Amendment** Rezoning of Parcels along Old Pine Tree Cemetery Rd from RL-2 to R-3. Representative: Dan Nash, PE
 - b. **Petitioned Amendment 2: Map Amendment** Rezone Parcel 26-2 on Etna Road from IND-L and RL-3 to GC-1. Representative: Dan Nash, PE
 - c. **Petitioned Amendment 3:** Change of Light Industrial Use Table: Addition of "Vehicular Repair" to IND-L. Representative: Chip Brown
 - d. **Petitioned Amendment 4:** Amendment to the Electric Vehicle Ordinance, Section 607.8. Representative: Jon Livadas

Below is the 2025-2026 Zoning Amendment Schedule. Over the next few months, the 20 Zoning Amendments and the 4 petitioned amendments will be reviewed by the land use boards. Any comments from the Boards will be compiled and given to City council for the review and Public Hearings in January.

Amendment	Date	Who	Staff Responsibility
2025-26 Amendments	8/18/2025	Planning Staff	Get packet to Crystal for PB meeting
2025-26 Amendments	8/25/2025	Planning Board	PB Final Consideration Meeting
2025-26 Amendments	9/2/2025	Planning Staff	Get packet to Crystal for PB meeting
2025-26 Amendments	9/8/2025	Planning Board	Extra: PB Final Consideration Meeting, if needed
2025-26 Amendments	End of Aug - Beginning of Sept	Planning Staff	Staff Complete Writing Draft Ordinances
2025-26 Amendments	9/22/2025	Planning Staff	Packet due to David for City Council Meeting
2025-26 Amendments	10/1/2025	City Council	Order to Land Use Boards
2025-26 Amendments	10/9/2025	Planning Staff	Send to Legal for Review
2025-26 Amendments	10/27/2025	Legal	Legal Review Letters Due
2025-26 Amendments	10/27/2025	Planning Staff	Get ZBA Packet to Tiffany
2025-26 Amendments	11/3/2025	ZBA	ZBA Review of Amednments
2025-26 Amendments	11/6/2025	Planning Staff	Get ConCom Packet to Crystal
2025-26 Amendments	11/13/2025	Conservation Commission	ConCom Review of Amendments
2025-26 Amendments	11/17/2025	Planning Staff	Get PB Packet to Crystal
2025-26 Amendments	11/24/2025	Planning Board	PB Review of Amendments
2025-26 Amendments	12/18/2025	Planning Staff	Due: Public Notices and RSA written and reviewed
2025-26 Amendments	12/29/2025	Planning Staff	Get Packet to David for Council Meeting
2025-26 Amendments	1/7/2026	City Council	Council call for Public Hearing
2025-26 Amendments	1/8/2026	Planning Staff	RSA Letters go out
2025-26 Amendments	1/12/2026	Planning Staff	Get Packet to David for Council Meeting
2025-26 Amendments	1/21/2026	City Council	Council Public Hearing
Planning Board Meeting			
City Council Meeting			
ZBA Meeting			
ConCom Meeting			

Amendment 1

Manufactured Homes

From: State Law Changes – 2024 HB 1361

1 The amendment is necessary to be in compliance with changes in State statute 2024 HB 1361.

2 State Change:

3 2024 HB 1361 – Manufactured Homes

4 This bill requires municipalities that adopt land use control measures to provide reasonable and
5 realistic opportunities for the siting of manufactured housing on individual lots and in
6 manufactured housing parks and subdivisions within residential districts. The bill also directs
7 municipalities to provide reasonable and realistic opportunities for expansion of existing
8 manufactured housing parks.

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10 1 Local Land Use Planning and Regulatory Powers; Manufactured Housing. RSA 674:32, I is
11 repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

12 I.(a) Municipalities shall afford reasonable and realistic opportunities for the siting of
13 manufactured housing as required in subparagraph

14 (b) and a municipality shall not exclude manufactured housing completely from the
15 municipality by regulation, zoning ordinance or by any other police power.

16 (b) A municipality that adopts land use control measures shall allow, in its sole discretion,
17 manufactured housing to be located:

18 (1) On individual lots in most, but not necessarily all, land areas and lots in districts
19 zoned to permit residential uses within the municipality; or

20 (2)(A) In manufactured housing parks, as defined in RSA 205-A:1, II, in most, but
21 not necessarily all, land areas and lots in districts zoned to permit residential uses
22 within the municipality; and

23 (B) In subdivisions created for the placement of manufactured housing on
24 individually owned lots in most, but not necessarily all, land areas and lots in
25 districts zoned to permit residential uses within the municipality; or

26 (3) In all 3 types of locations.

27 (c) Manufactured housing located on individual lots pursuant to subparagraph (b)(1) shall
28 comply with lot size, frontage requirements, space limitations and other reasonable
29 controls that conventional single-family housing in the same district must meet. No special
30 exception or special permit shall be required for manufactured housing located on
31 individual lots pursuant to subparagraph (b)(1) or manufactured housing subdivisions
32 pursuant to subparagraph (b)(2)(B) unless such special exception or permit is required by
33 the municipality for single family housing located on individual lots or in subdivisions.

34 (d) Municipalities permitting manufactured housing parks pursuant to subparagraph
35 (b)(2)(A) shall afford reasonable and realistic opportunities for their development. In order
36 to provide such opportunities, lot size and overall density requirements for manufactured
37 housing parks shall be reasonable and realistic.

38 (e) Municipalities shall allow reasonable and realistic opportunities for the expansion of
39 manufactured housing parks existing as of July 1, 2024. For expansion of existing
40 manufactured housing parks, municipalities shall not require standards stricter than NFPA
41 501A, “Standard for Fire Safety Criteria for Manufactured Home Installations, Sites, and
42 Communities”.

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Amendment 1

Manufactured Homes

From: State Law Changes – 2024 HB 1361

44 Proposed Zoning Changes:

45 SECTION 209 MANUFACTURED HOUSING.

46 Manufactured housing units are permitted only in manufactured housing parks or in
47 manufactured housing PURDs. See Section 503 (“MANUFACTURED HOUSING PARKS”) and
48 Section 504 (“MANUFACTURED HOUSING PURDs”). Manufactured Housing Units shall also
49 be allowed in zoning districts that allow one-family dwellings with the following conditions:

50 1. The Manufactured housing unit shall be a one-family dwelling

51 2. The Manufactured housing unit shall be on a foundation

52 3. A manufactured housing unit shall not be used as an ADU

53 4. Design elements such as landscaping, porches, pitched roofs, and stone or bricks
54 accents are encouraged

55 4.5. The manufactured housing unit shall follow all setbacks, parking, and regulations
56 of the zoning district.

57 2.6. Manufactured housing units are not eligible for the Pattern Zones Overlay District
58 zoning enhancements.

Amendment 2
Multi-family Residential Development
From: State Law Changes – 2025 HB 631

1 The amendment is necessary to be in compliance with changes in State statute HB 631.

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3 HB 631 requires municipalities to allow multi-family residential development on commercially
4 zoned land, provided that adequate infrastructure for roads, water and sewerage systems are
5 available to support that development. Municipalities may still restrict residential development in
6 zones where industrial and manufacturing uses are permitted. Nevertheless, municipalities may
7 require that ground floor space in the commercial zone property may be required to be
8 dedicated in whole or in part to retail or similar uses. Where an existing building is being
9 repurposed to adaptive reuse for residential purposes, municipalities shall afford exemptions to
10 setbacks, height or frontage of a building, provided these dimensional elements do not change.
11 When implementing this new mandate locally, the definitions in the statute must be adhered to
12 in determining whether the proposed use must be permitted; however, municipalities are not
13 required to update their zoning ordinances with these definitions.

14 The City of Lebanon already allows for multi-family residential development in all impacted
15 zoning districts except for the MC district. MC is limited in area within the city and contains the
16 DHMC main campus. A code change for the MC district will resolve the State mandated
17 changes. The proposed use code change is as follows:

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Amendment 2

Multi-family Residential Development

From: State Law Changes – 2025 HB 631

34 SECTION 315 MEDICAL CENTER DISTRICT (MC).

35 315.2 Table of Uses.

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<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Uses by Special Exception</u> (see Section 801.3)
	1. Recovery Houses
	<u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit</u> (see Section 302.4)
<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Essential service 2. Group day care facility per Section 604 3. Health club 4. Hospice 5. Medical center complex per Section 506 6. Medical office building 7. Medical research facility 8. Renewable energy system per Section 612 9. Retail product pickup	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Drive-through facility 2. Financial institution 3. Inpatient rehabilitation facility 4. Motel 5. Hotel 6. Office 7. Parking facility 8. Personal service 9. Restaurant 10. Retail store 10-11. Multi-Family Residential <u>Planned Developments</u> 11-12. Commercial PUD per Section 501

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Amendment 3

Residential Parking Minimums / Maximums

From: State Law Changes – 2025 HB 284

1 The amendment is necessary to be in compliance with changes in State statute HB 284. The
 2 legislature and the governor are reducing the minimum parking requirements for a dwelling unit
 3 to one space per unit. The reduction in the minimum required also triggers the need to change
 4 the maximum parking spaces allowed as well.

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6 SECTION 607 PARKING.

7 607.1 Table of Minimum Off-Street Parking Requirements.

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9 A. Except as otherwise provided below, a **lot** shall provide the minimum number of
 10 **off-street parking spaces** as set forth in the following "Table of Minimum Off-
 11 Street Parking Requirements." For uses not listed in the table, the minimum
 12 requirement shall be that of the closest similar use as determined by the Zoning
 13 Administrator.

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15 B. The minimum number of required **off street parking spaces** for **lots** with more
 16 than one principal use shall be determined per Section 607.6 ("Shared Parking").

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18 C. The minimum number of required off-street parking spaces for **accessory uses**
 19 shall be calculated separately from the principal use where the minimum parking
 20 requirement for the **accessory use** is less than that required for the **principal use**.

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22 D. For residential uses as defined in RSA 676:16-a, I, an alternative parking solution
 23 as that term is defined in RSA 676:16-a, I, may be authorized by the Planning
 24 Board notwithstanding the requirements of the Table of Minimum Off-Street
 25 Parking Requirements pursuant to RSA 676:16-a ("On Site Parking
 26 Requirements").

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TABLE OF MINIMUM OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS
 (Rounded down to the nearest whole - See Section 607.2)

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<u>TYPE OF USE</u>	<u>UNITS OF MEASUREMENT</u>	<u>PARKING SPACES PER UNIT (I.E. RATIO)</u>
RESIDENTIAL		
Dwelling, One-family/Two-family detached and attached	Dwelling units	1.02-0
Dwelling, Studio Apartment	Dwelling units	1.0
Dwelling, Apartment, One-bedroom and up	Dwelling units	1.04-5
Senior Housing	Dwelling units	1.0

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<u>TYPE OF USE</u>	<u>UNITS OF MEASUREMENT</u>	<u>PARKING SPACES PER UNIT (I.E. RATIO)</u>
<i>Group residence</i>	Residents	0.33
<i>Lodging house</i>	Rental units	2.0 base + 1.0/bed
<i>Cottage Development</i>	<i>Cottage</i>	1.0
INSTITUTIONAL, ETC.		
<i>Medical center complex</i>	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1.0/425 sq. ft.
Hospital, <i>nursing home</i>	Beds & Employees on largest shift	0.33/bed & 0.33/employee
Houses of worship and other places of public assembly (i.e. theaters, auditoriums, recreational facilities, conference or meeting facilities and the like.)	Seats or <i>gross floor area</i> of assembly area if no seats	0.33/seat or 1/20 sq. ft.
Group day care	Employees and clients	1.0/employee & 1.0/8 clients
<i>Membership club</i>	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1/300 sq. ft.
SCHOOLS		
Elementary, Jr. High	Classrooms	3.0
Senior High	Classrooms	5.0
Post secondary and Voc-Ed	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1/300 sq. ft.
COMMERCIAL		
<i>Motel, hotel</i>	Rental Units	1.2 plus <i>restaurant</i> component, if applicable.
<i>Tourist home</i> , bed and breakfast	Rental units	2.0 (base) + 1.0 per unit plus <i>restaurant</i> component, if applicable.
<i>Restaurant</i>	Seats	0.33
Bowling alleys	Lane	4.0
<i>Office</i>	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1.0/250 sq. ft.
Retail	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1.0/200 sq. ft.
Retail- e.g. convenience store, bakery, take-out food establishments	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1.0/200 sq. ft.
<i>Personal service</i>	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1.0/250 sq. ft.
Banks	<i>Gross floor area</i>	1.0/250 sq. ft.

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<u>TYPE OF USE</u>	<u>UNITS OF MEASUREMENT</u>	<u>PARKING SPACES PER UNIT (I.E. RATIO)</u>
Furniture store, major appliance store, carpet store, vehicular sales , nursery, greenhouses	Gross floor area	1.0/600 sq. ft.
Automotive services (i.e. repair facilities, tire sales and mounting)	Service bays	4.0/Bay
Funeral home	Gross floor area in assembly rooms	1.0/75 sq. ft.
Other commercial	Gross floor area	1.0/600 sq. ft.
Alternative Treatment Center	Gross Floor Area	1.0/250 sq. ft.
Alternative Treatment Center (Cultivation Location Only)	Gross Floor Area	1.0/600 sq. ft.
INDUSTRIAL		
Warehouse (includes self-storage) and truck/ bus terminal	Gross floor area	1.0/1,000 sq. ft.
Light industry & Research lab	Gross floor area	1.0/600 sq. ft. or 1.0/employees for the largest shift (whichever is larger)
Outdoor storage and sales	Gross area of storage/sales	1.0/2,000 sq. ft.

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607.2 Reduction of Minimum Required Parking Spaces.

The Planning Board may allow by **conditional use** permit a reduction of up to 30% in the number of **off-street parking spaces** required to be built, provided an area is reserved on the approved site plan to accommodate the minimum number of required **off-street parking spaces** should they become necessary in the future. The construction of any unbuilt parking spaces shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Board as a modification of the approved site plan.

607.3 Maximum Off-Street Parking Requirement.

A. The maximum off-street parking allowed is 120% of the minimum requirement set forth in Section 607.2. (For example, if a use or development is required to have 100 **off-street parking spaces**, then the maximum allowed for that use or development is 120 **off-street parking spaces**.) ~~The maximum parking requirement shall not apply to one-family and two-family dwellings.~~

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The maximum off-street parking allowed for residential uses is 200% of the minimum requirement set forth in **TABLE OF MINIMUM OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS**.

B. Off-street parking in excess of 120% but not more than 150% of the minimum requirement for commercial or mixed-use properties set forth in Section 607.2 may be permitted as set forth below.

1) The following categories of parking spaces shall not be counted towards the 120% maximum set forth in subsection A, but shall be subject to the 150% cap set forth in subsection B:

- a. Spaces provided within a **parking structure**.
- b. Spaces dedicated for vehicles participating in a carpool, vanpool, or car-share program. Such spaces shall be reserved and used only for carpool, vanpool, or car-share program parking, and shall be signed or marked accordingly.

2) For spaces other than those described in subsection B.1), the Planning Board may approve parking in excess of the 120% maximum set forth in subsection A by **conditional use** permit provided that the following criteria are met:

- a. The need for additional parking cannot reasonably be met through provision of on-street parking or shared parking with adjacent or nearby uses;
- b. The proposed development demonstrates that its design and intended uses will continue to support high levels of existing or planned transit and pedestrian activity; and,
- c. The site plan indicates where additional parking can be redeveloped to a more intensive transit supportive use in the future.
- d. In no case shall the Planning Board approve parking for any use or development that exceeds 150% of the minimum requirement as set forth in Section 607.2.

C. Exception. The maximum parking requirements set forth in subsections A and B shall not apply to any change of use within an existing **building** which does not require Site Plan review or where no additional parking spaces are proposed or required per Section 607.1.

607.4 CB, LD and PB Parking.

Uses in the CB District, LD District, and the PB District are subject to the maximum off-street parking requirements of Section 607.3, but are exempt from the minimum off-street

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94 parking requirements of Section 607.1 because of the availability of public parking.
95 However, parking requirements in these districts shall be as required by the Planning
96 Board through its Site Plan Review of new uses or changes or expansion of use.

97 607.5 Off-Lot Parking.

98 Parking shall be provided on the same **lot** as the use for which the parking is accessory,
99 except as follows:

100 A. In the IND-L, IND-H, IND-RA, GC, GC-1, CB, LD, RO, RO-1, PB, and MC Districts,
101 the Planning Board may approve private off-lot parking as a **conditional use**
102 permit. Instead of the findings required by Section 302.4, the Board shall determine
103 that:

- 104 1. The minimum number of required **off-street parking spaces** as calculated
105 pursuant to Section 607.1, and per Section 607.4 for developments in the
106 CB, LD, and PB Districts, cannot feasibly be accommodated on-site.
- 107 2. The off-lot use to be served is an allowed use in the zoning district in which
108 the off-lot parking area will be located.
- 109 3. The off-lot parking area is in an appropriate location for the use served by
110 the parking and will not be detrimental to abutting properties.
- 111 4. Such parking arrangements are either permanently deeded and recorded
112 or conveyed by an irrevocable 99-year lease or some other legal
113 instrument, acceptable to an attorney representing the City, and submitted
114 with the Conditional Use Permit application for approval by the Planning
115 Board. Such legal agreement shall ensure that such parking arrangement
116 will remain as long as the need exists.
- 117 5. The off-lot parking will not constitute a hazard to traffic or pedestrians.

118 B. For conversions of **one-** or **two-family dwellings** to **multi-family dwellings** or
119 where adding additional **dwelling units** to an existing **multi-family dwelling**, the
120 Planning Board may approve private off-lot parking, as a **conditional use** permit.
121 Instead of the findings required by Section 302.4, the Board shall determine that:

- 122 1. The minimum number of required **off-street parking spaces** cannot
123 feasibly be accommodated on-site.
- 124 2. The off-lot parking area is on a lot that is (i) adjacent to the **dwelling**
125 involved, and (ii) located in a zoning district that allows **multi-family**
126 **dwellings** to the same extent as allowed in the zoning district where the
127 **multi-family dwelling** is located.

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3. The off-lot parking area is appropriately screened from abutting properties.
 4. The off-lot parking will not be detrimental to abutting properties.
 5. Such parking arrangements are permanently and irrevocably deeded and recorded or conveyed by an irrevocable 99-year lease or some other legal instrument, acceptable to an attorney representing the City, and submitted with the Conditional Use Permit application for approval by the Planning Board. Such legal agreement shall ensure that such parking arrangement will remain as long as the need exists.
 6. The off-lot parking will not constitute a hazard to traffic or pedestrians

Amendment 4

Accessory Dwelling Unit

From: State Law Changes – 2025 HB 577

1 The amendment is necessary to be in compliance with changes in State statute HB577.

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3 SECTION 610 ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU).

4 **Accessory dwelling units** are intended as an option for homeowners to offer separate and
5 independent living space for their extended families, or to offer small **dwelling units** as rentals to
6 offset the expense of maintaining the **dwelling**.

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8 An **accessory dwelling unit** shall comply with the following criteria:

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10 A. An **ADU** is allowed on any **lot** in any zoning district with a **one-family dwelling or**
11 **two-family dwelling**. ~~For lots in any zoning district with a two-family dwelling, a~~
12 ~~detached or attached ADU is allowed.~~ Only one such **ADU** is permitted per **lot**.
13 The dwelling unit density requirements of the underlying zoning district shall not
14 apply to ADUs.

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16 B. ~~If attached, the appearance and character of the existing or proposed ADU shall~~
17 ~~remain single family in nature if converting a one-family dwelling to a one-family~~
18 ~~dwelling with an ADU, and shall remain two-family in nature if converting a two-~~
19 ~~family dwelling to a two-family dwelling with an ADU. If detached, the A detached~~
20 **ADU** shall maintain the primary building's architectural style, proportional mass,
21 size, and height to ensure it is not taller than the principal building on the lot. A
22 **detached ADU** may be permitted to be taller than the principal building by **special**
23 **exception**.

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25 C. The property owner must occupy one of the **dwelling units** as their permanent
26 residence. A temporary leave of absence of no more than one (1) year by the
27 property owner is allowed, provided the owner-occupied unit is not rented or
28 occupied by anyone other than the property owner during the temporary leave or
29 absence.

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31 Prior to the issuance of a zoning permit, the owner shall record in the Grafton
32 County Registry of Deeds an Accessory Dwelling Unit Owner Occupancy
33 Restriction, in a form satisfactory to the Zoning Administrator, in order to put
34 prospective buyers on notice of the prohibition against renting out both units. All
35 recording fees shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

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37 D. ~~The ADU must be located in the same building as the principal dwelling unit(s)~~
38 ~~unless the lot meets or exceeds the minimum required lot size for the respective~~
39 ~~zoning district. If the lot meets or exceeds the required minimum lot size, the ADU~~
40 ~~may be located in a separate detached accessory structure such as a garage or~~
41 ~~barn, provided the existing accessory structure conforms with the minimum~~
42 ~~required yard requirements for the respective zoning district. An ADU may also be~~
43 ~~in a new structure. By special exception, the Zoning Board of Adjustment may~~

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From: State Law Changes – 2025 HB 577

44 ~~allow an **ADU** to be located in a detached **structure** on a **lot** that is non-conforming~~
45 ~~to the minimum lot size and/or to be allowed in an existing accessory **structure**~~
46 ~~that is legally non-conforming to the applicable minimum yard requirements.~~

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48 E. ~~If the **ADU** is located within or by an addition to the existing **principal building**, an~~
49 ~~interior door shall be provided between the **ADU** and the principal **dwelling unit**~~
50 ~~or between the **ADU** and one of the principal **dwelling units** if the principal building~~
51 ~~is a **two-family dwelling**.~~

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53 F. If applicable, the owner must seek a permit from the State of NH Dept. of
54 Environmental Services Subsurface Systems Bureau, in accordance with NH RSA
55 485-A:38 and NH RSA 674:72, V, for any increased load on an existing sewage
56 disposal system as a result of the addition of an **ADU** to the **lot**.

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58 G. Size of ADU.

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60 1. One-family dwellings. If the **gross living area** of the principal **dwelling unit**
61 is 1,500 square feet or less, the **gross living area** of the **ADU** ~~shall not~~
62 ~~exceed may be no the~~ greater ~~than of~~ 750 sq. ft. or 65% of the **gross living**
63 **area** of the principal **dwelling unit**. ~~If the **gross living area** of the principal~~
64 ~~**dwelling unit** is greater than 1,500 square feet, but less than 3,000 square~~
65 ~~feet, the **gross living area** of the **ADU** shall not exceed 960 square feet. If~~
66 ~~the principal **dwelling unit** is greater than 3,000 square feet, the **gross**~~
67 ~~**living area** of the **ADU** can exceed 960 square feet provided the **ADU** is~~
68 ~~no greater than 33% of the **gross living area** of the principal **dwelling unit**.~~
69 ~~If the **ADU** is located on a parcel of land greater than 4 acres a **detached**~~
70 ~~**ADU** can exceed 960 square feet provided that the **detached ADU** is no~~
71 ~~greater than 50% of the gross living area of the principal dwelling unit.~~

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73 2. Two-family dwellings. If the **gross living area** of the smaller of the two
74 principal **dwelling units** is 1,500 square feet or less, the **gross living area**
75 of the **ADU** ~~may be shall not exceed the no~~ greater of 750 sq. ft. or than
76 65% of the **gross living area** of the smaller of the two principal **dwelling**
77 **units**. If the **gross living area** of the smaller of the two principal **dwelling**
78 **units** is greater than 1,500 square feet, but less than 3,000 square feet,
79 the **gross living area** of the **ADU** shall not exceed 960 square feet. If the
80 smaller of the two principal **dwelling units** is greater than 3,000 square
81 feet, the **gross living area** of the **ADU** can exceed 960 square feet
82 provided the **ADU** is no greater than 33% of the **gross living area** of the
83 smaller of the two principal **dwelling units**.

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85 H. ~~Any necessary additional entrances or exits to the **principal building**, to serve the~~
86 ~~**ADU**, shall be located to the side or rear of the **building**.~~ All new or altered
87 **structures**, intended to be used as an **ADU**, must be located behind the **front**
88 **building line** of the existing **principal building** except by **special exception** if the

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89 Zoning Board finds that the placement of the **ADU** on the **lot** will not adversely
90 affect the character of the neighborhood; traffic on roads and highways; safety of
91 pedestrians, and will not create a hazard or nuisance to abutting property owners.
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93 I. In addition to the ~~two-one~~ (21) parking spaces required for each principal **dwelling**
94 **unit**, one (1) additional parking space for the **ADU** must be provided either on-site
95 or at a legally dedicated off-site location, at the property owner’s discretion.
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97 J. An **ADU** located within the **principal building** shall have interconnected smoke
98 and carbon monoxide alarms.
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100 A. An ADU Permit application submission shall include a minimum of the following
101 materials and exhibits demonstrating compliance with the applicable Zoning
102 Ordinance requirements:
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104 1. Existing and proposed site conditions and parking plan.
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106 2. Existing and proposed floor plans for all dwelling units and structures.
107 a. If applicable this floor plan shall show compliance with ADU
108 entrance, interconnection and the smoke and carbon monoxide
109 alarm plan requirements.
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111 3. A gross living area square footage calculation which includes existing and
112 proposed floor plans, and a square footage calculation for both the primary
113 dwelling and ADU demonstrating adherence with 610.G ADU Size
114 pursuant to the definition of gross living area within Appendix A Definitions.
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116 4. A signed, recordable “Accessory Dwelling Unit Owner Occupancy
117 Restriction”.
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119 5. A bank or business check or money order for all recording fees made
120 payable to the Grafton County Registry of Deeds.
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122 6. If applicable a copy of the State of NH Dept. of Environmental Services
123 Subsurface Systems Bureau Approval and plans.
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125 7. If applicable a Water Connection Permit Application.
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127 8. If applicable a Sewer Connection Permit Application.
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129 9. Impact Fee Invoice Acknowledgment.
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APPENDIX A DEFINITIONS

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ACCESSORY BUILDING: A *building* subordinate and customarily incidental to the main *building* on the same lot. The term "accessory building", when used in connection with *agriculture* shall include all buildings customarily used for farm purposes.

ADU-ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU): This term shall have the meaning as set forth in RSA 674:71, I, as amended, except that an ADU may also be located on a lot containing a two-family dwelling and the definition set forth in RSA 674:71, I, shall be interpreted and applied accordingly. A separate complete housekeeping unit that is either contained within or is attached to a *one-family dwelling*, or within a detached *accessory building* on the same lot, for which the title is inseparable from the primary *dwelling*. (See Section 610)

ADU, ATTACHED: This term shall have the meaning as "attached unit" as set forth in RSA 674:71, II, as amended.

ADU, DETACHED: This term shall have the meaning as "detached unit" as set forth in RSA 674:71, III, as amended.

Amendment 5

Northern Lebanon Map Amendment – Centerra / Altaría

From: Zoning Staff and 120 Corridor Study

1 Amendment 5 seeks to Rezone the Centerra / Altaría neighborhood to promote additional
2 development in the area. The Centerra area of the amendment reflects the existing Deed
3 Restricted uses within the neighborhood. The rezone will preserve the established use structure
4 within the Centerra neighborhood. The rezone includes changing Alaría from Ind-L to GC-1. The
5 zoning change will promote more possible housing and mixed-use development in the
6 neighborhood. Please note that the existing Industrial lots within Centerra will remain
7 unchanged as IND-L lots.

8 The Following Parcels are included:

9	Address	Parcel	Proposed Zoning	Current Zoning
10	0 Centerra Parkway	10-11-1400	CBD	IND-L
11	2 Morgan Drive	10-11-1300	CBD	IND-L
12	10 Morgan Drive	10-11-1302	CBD	IND-L
13	12 Centerra Parkway	10-11-100	CBD	IND-L
14	34 Centerra Parkway	10-11-300	CBD	IND-L
15	35 Centerra Parkway	10-11-1500	GC-1	IND-L
16	38 Centerra Parkway	10-11-400	GC-1	IND-L
17	41 Centerra Parkway	10-11-1600	GC-1	IND-L
18	46 Centerra Parkway	10-11-2000	GC-1	IND-L
19	11 Lafayette Street	10-11-2100	GC-1	IND-L
20	33 Morgan Drive	10-11-700	GC-1	IND-L
21	21 Lafayette Street	10-11-2300	GC-1	IND-L
22	20 Morgan Drive	10-11-1200	GC-1	IND-L
23	Cavendish Court	10-34	GC-1	IND-L
24	Cavendish Court	10-33	GC-1	IND-L
25	Cavendish Court	10-32	GC-1	IND-L
26	Cavendish Court	10-35	GC-1	IND-L
27	Cavendish Court	10-31	GC-1	IND-L
28	Cavendish Court	10-26	GC-1	IND-L
29	Cavendish Court	10-30	GC-1	IND-L

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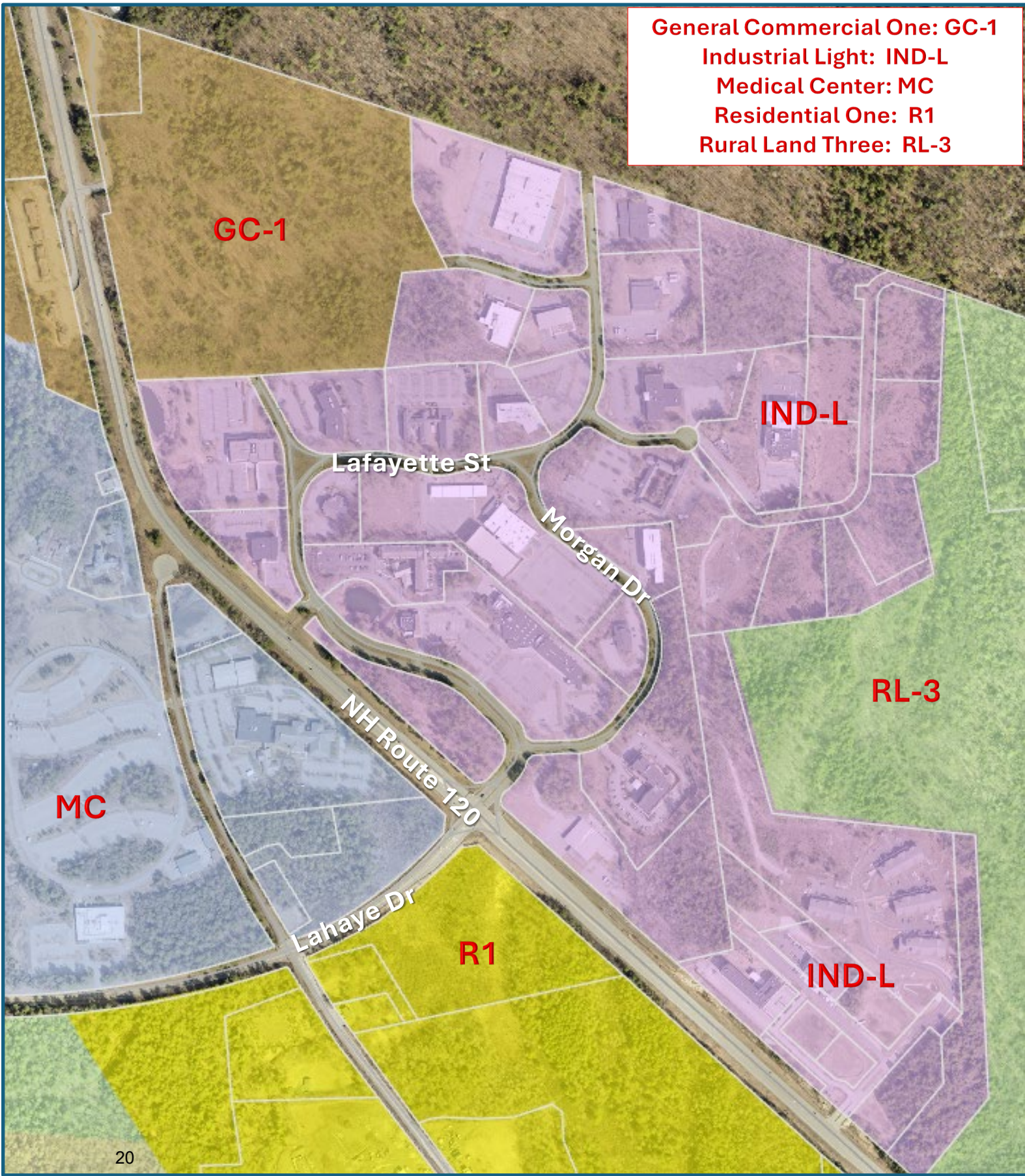
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30	Cavendish Court	10-27	GC-1	IND-L
31	Cavendish Court	10-29	GC-1	IND-L
32	Cavendish Court	10-28	GC-1	IND-L
33	25 Foothill Street	24-14-100	GC-1	IND-L
34	Foothill Street	24-14-800	GC-1	IND-L
35	260 NH Route 120	24-14	GC-1	IND-L
36	14 Merchant Street	24-14-600	GC-1	IND-L
37	NH Route 120	24-16	GC-1	IND-L
38	15 Merchant Street	24-14-400	GC-1	IND-L
39	5 Merchant Street	24-14-500	GC-1	IND-L
40	6 Merchant Street	24-14-300	GC-1	IND-L
41	18 Merchant Street	24-14-200	GC-1	IND-L
42	0 Merchant Street	24-14-700	GC-1	IND-L
43	60 Alta Boulevard	10-12	GC-1	IND-L
44	Map Amendment follows:			

Amendment #5

Existing Zoning

- General Commercial One: GC-1
- Industrial Light: IND-L
- Medical Center: MC
- Residential One: R1
- Rural Land Three: RL-3

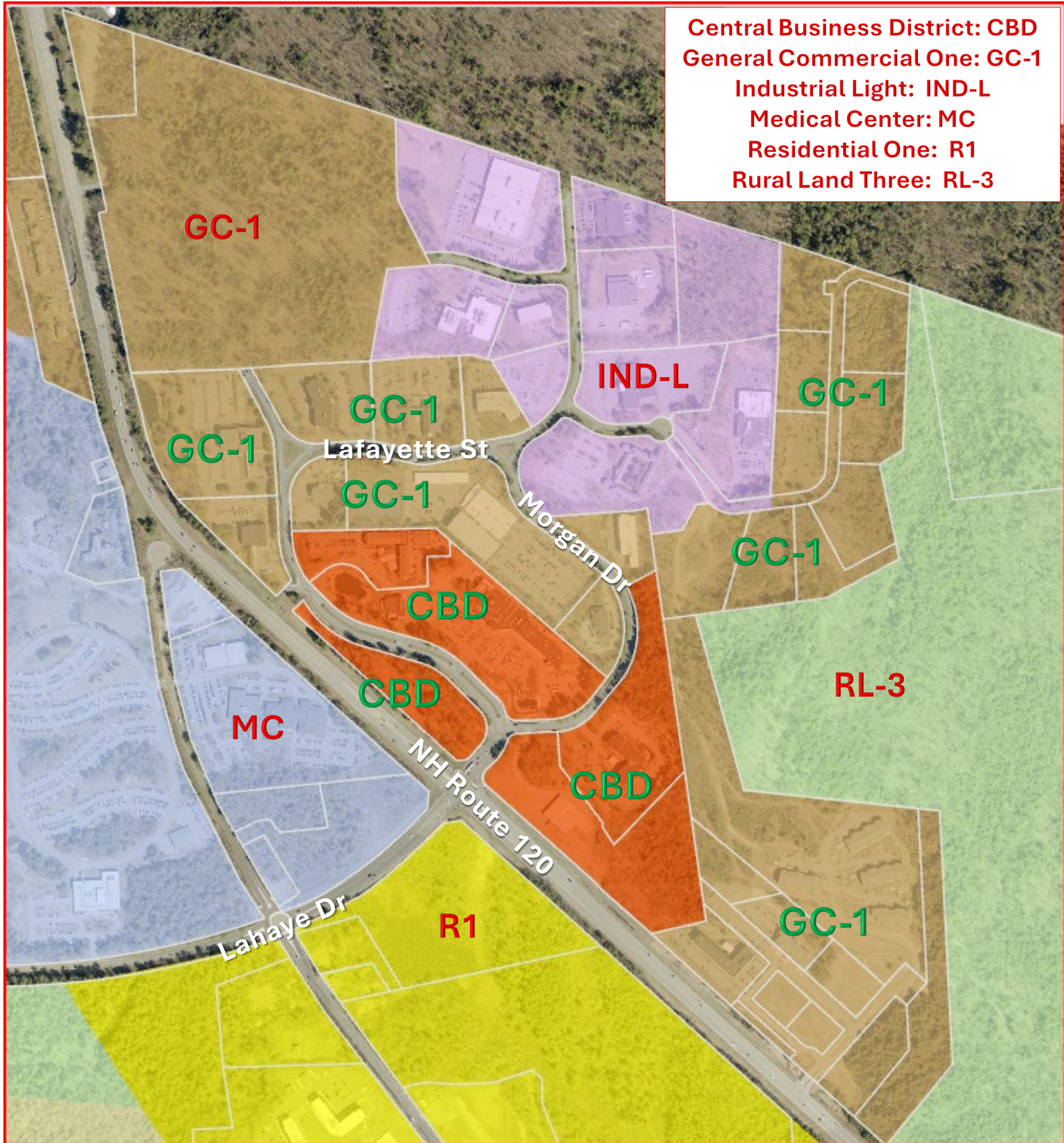


Amendment #5

Proposed Zoning

(Fall 2025 Amendment)

Central Business District: CBD
General Commercial One: GC-1
Industrial Light: IND-L
Medical Center: MC
Residential One: R1
Rural Land Three: RL-3



Amendment 6

Northern Lebanon Map Amendment – Conservation Area

From: Zoning Staff and 120 Corridor Study

1 Amendment 6 seeks to Rezone the several key properties in the area due to unique geographic
2 features. Rezoning these areas to RL-3 will reduce the possible uses of the area from IND-L to
3 RL-3 and will provide steep slopes protection. RL-3 includes steep slope protection. The change
4 will target limited areas identified in studies over the years and referenced in the Northern
5 Lebanon planning conversation. The alteration of the RL-3 map area in key sensitive locations
6 allows for the Wildlife Overlay to be greatly reduced in scope by eliminating the need for wetland
7 and steep slope protections by policy. This approach is much more limited and targeted to key
8 sensitive geological and wildlife areas.

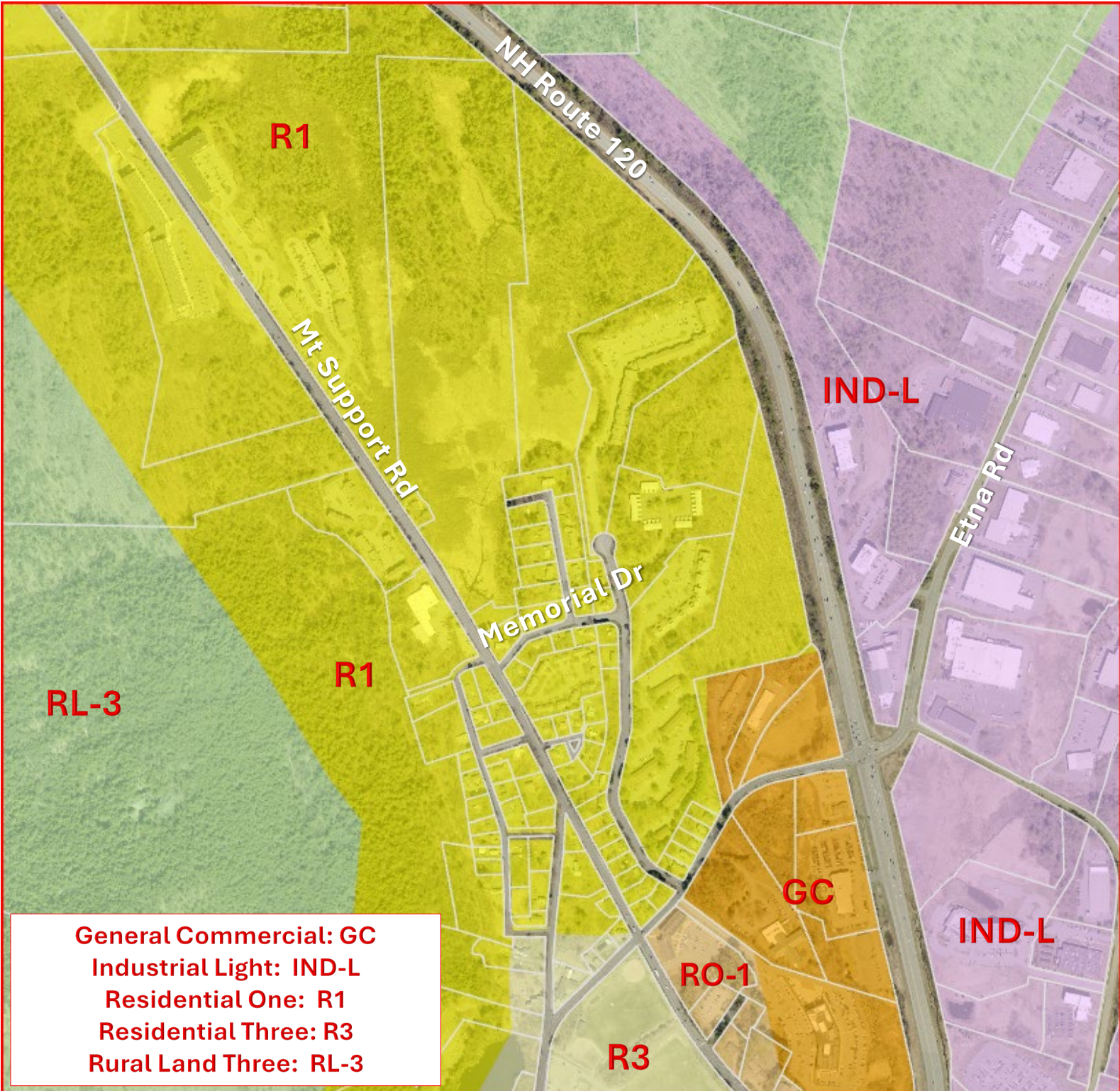
9 The Following Parcels are included:

10	Address	Parcel	Proposed Zoning	Current Zoning
11	67 – 69 Etna Road	26-2	RL-3 and IND-L Line Change	RL-3 and IND-L
12	85 Etna Road	37-4	RL-3 and IND-L Line Change	RL-3 and IND-L
13	96 Etna Road	37-5	RL-3 and IND-L Line Change	RL-3 and IND-L
14	101 Etna Road	37-7	RL-3 and IND-L Line Change	RL-3 and IND-L
15	0 Mt. Support Road	76-10	R-1 and RL-3 Line Change	RL-3 and R-1

16 Map Amendment follows:

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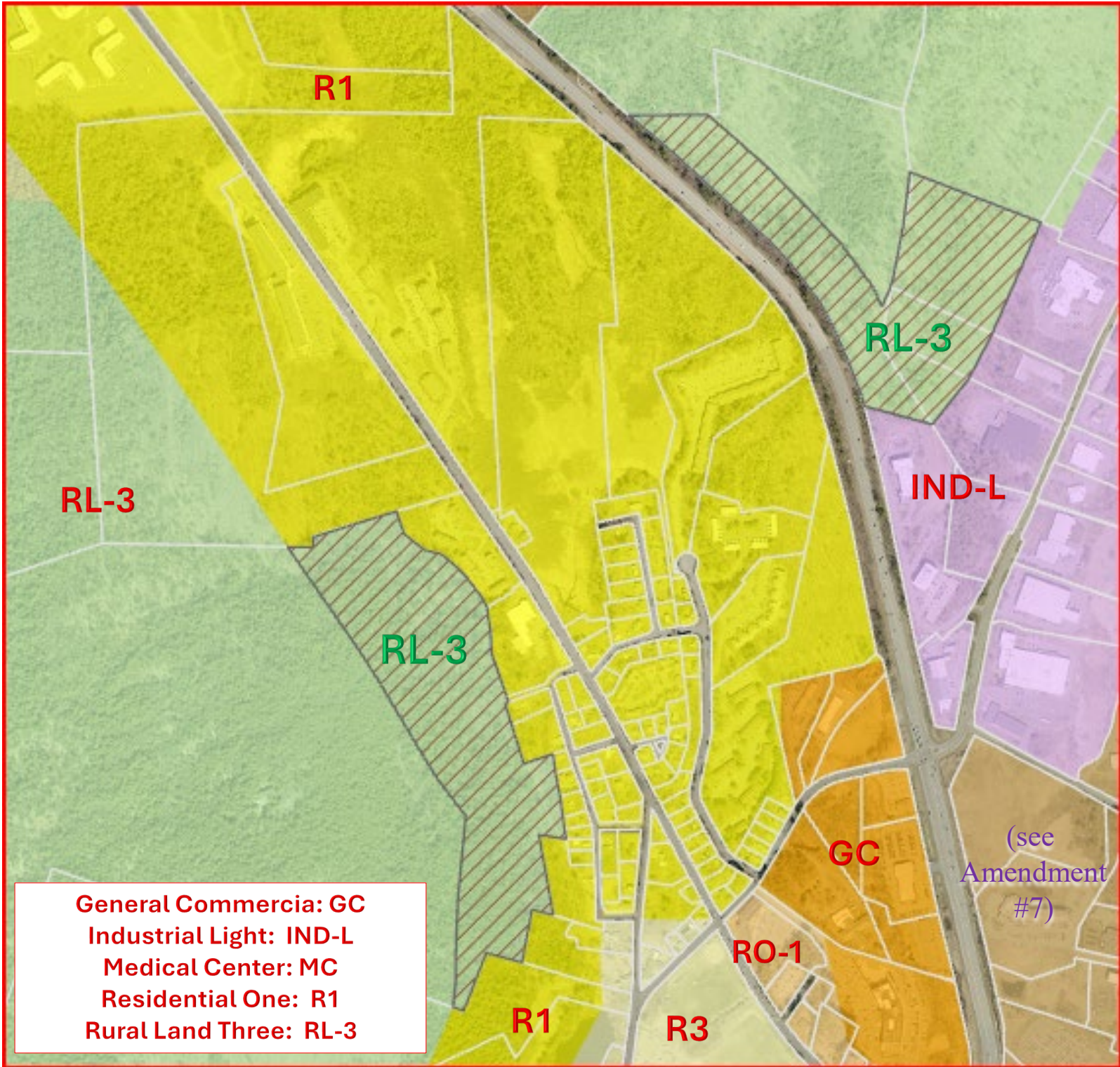
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Amendment #6

Proposed Zoning

(Fall 2025 Amendment)



Amendment 7

Northern Lebanon Map Amendment – LaBombard Road Area

From: Zoning Staff and 120 Corridor Study

1 Amendment 7 seeks to Rezone the several key properties in the LaBombard Road area. There
2 are three notable inclusions and exclusions. See below for further explanation. The center of
3 this rezoning request is to bring additional residential and mixed-use development opportunities
4 into the Northern Lebanon area in the LaBombard neighborhood. The change will allow for
5 possible residential as well and mixed-use within the area. Along with the proposed use
6 changes several non-conformities are resolved.

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8 The Etna Road area was excluded from rezoning consideration. Multiple business owners with
9 manufacturing businesses along Etna Road requested to remain IND-L. During the public
10 meetings held on the topic it was clear that the Etna Road area has been heavily built out as an
11 industrial neighborhood. Further it appears that area will remain as an industrial focused
12 neighborhood with little appetite or room to infuse residential use into the area. Thus, the Etna
13 Road was removed from the request.

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15 Hatch Amendment. A citizen petitioned amendment from last spring to reshape and rezone the
16 zoning of 24 Labombard Road (51-21) has been included in the package. There is an
17 adjustment of the zoning district boarder on the property and well as a change in the zoning
18 district from IND-L to GC-1 along with the related properties in the LaBombard Road area.

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20 Elks Property. The leadership of the Elks have requested a discussion about rezoning their
21 property at 150 Heater Road from RL-1 and RL-3 to GC-1 to facilitate possible additional
22 development as well as allowing their existing legal non-conforming use to be made conforming.

23 The Following Parcels are included:

24	Address	Parcel	Proposed Zoning	Current Zoning
25	150 Heater Road	51-13	GC-1	RL-1 and RL-3
26	0 LaBombard Road	64-34	GC-1	IND-L
27	174 Heater Road	64-23	GC-1	IND-L
28	13 LaBombard	64-22	GC-1	IND-L
29	25 LaBombard Road	64-25	GC-1	IND-L
30	33 LaBombard Road	51-15	GC-1	IND-L
31	24 LaBombard Road	51-12	GC-1 and RL-3	IND-L and RL-3
32	35 LaBombard Road	64-21	GC-1	IND-L

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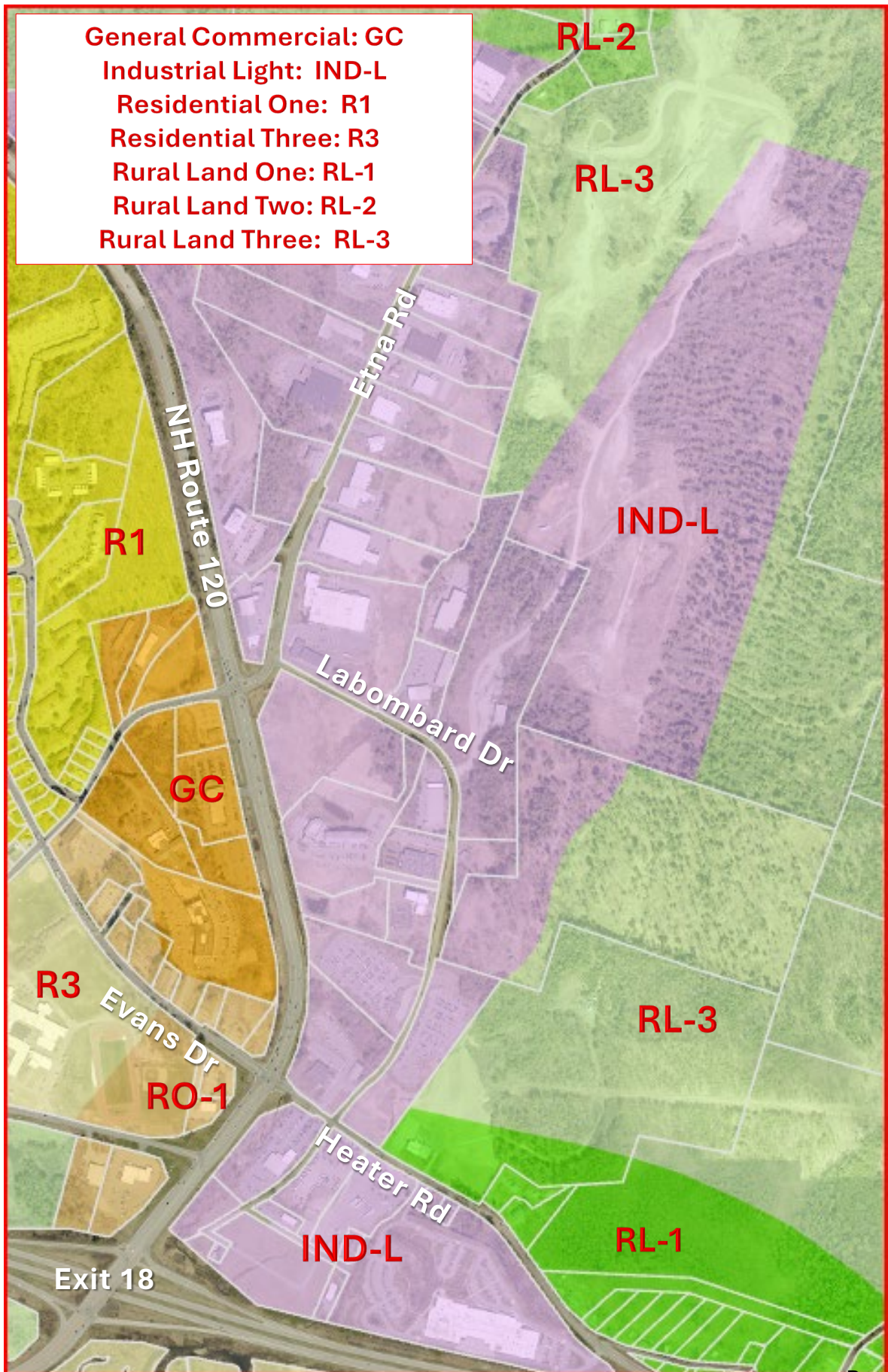
Northern Lebanon Map Amendment – LaBombard Road Area

From: Zoning Staff and 120 Corridor Study

33	39 LaBombard Road	51-14	GC-1	IND-L
34	32 LaBombard Road	51-11	GC-1	IND-L
35	41 LaBombard Road	51-1	GC-1	IND-L
36	40 N LaBombard Road	51-10	GC-1	IND-L
37	52 N LaBombard Road	51-2	GC-1	IND-L
38	0 NH Route 120	50-29	GC-1	IND-L
39	50 N LaBombard Road	51-3	GC-1	IND-L
40	0 Etna Road	26-17	GG-1 and RL-3	IND-L and RL-3
41	Map Amendment follows:			

Amendment #7

Existing Zoning

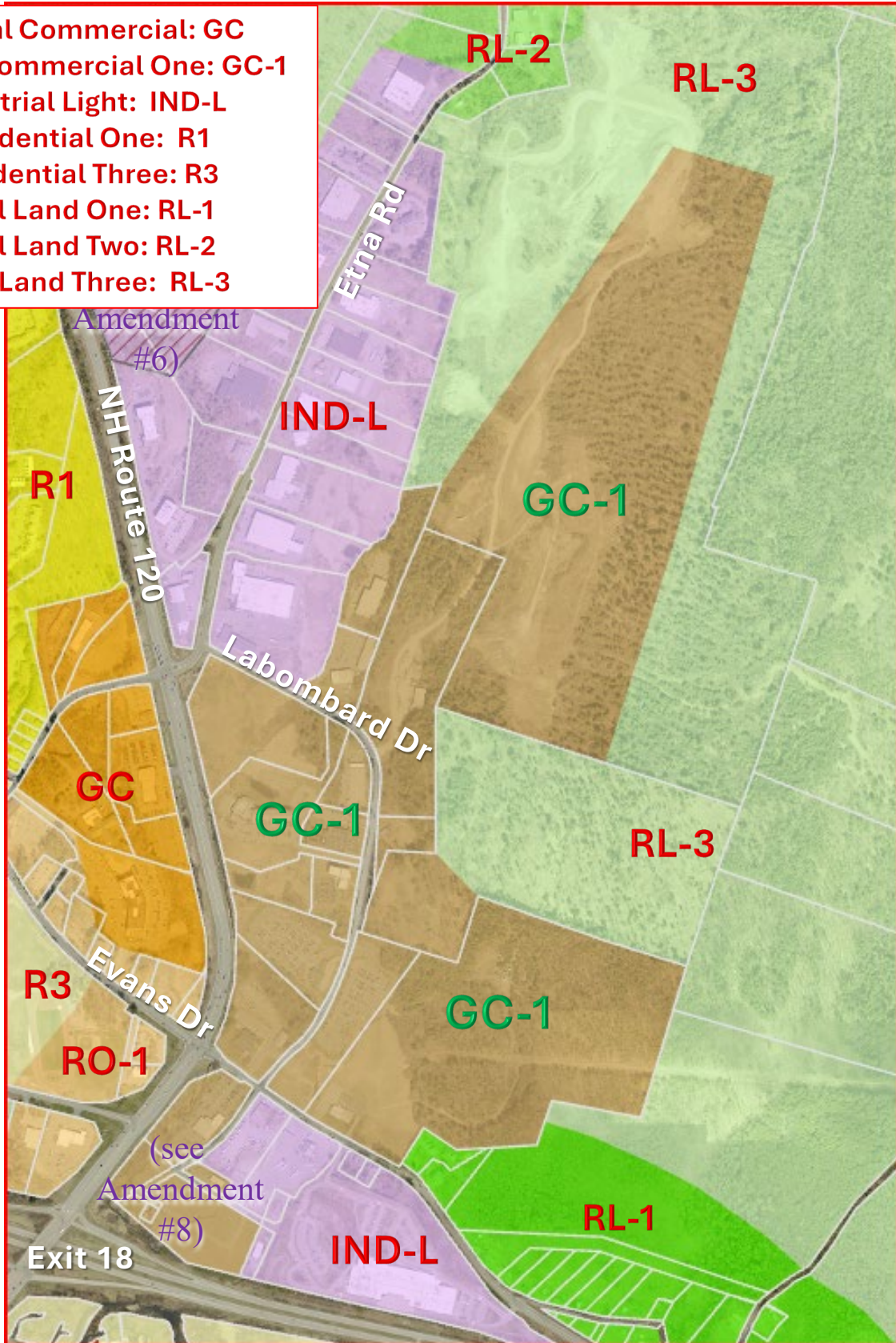


Amendment #7

Proposed Zoning

(Fall 2025 Amendment)

- General Commercial: GC
- General Commercial One: GC-1
- Industrial Light: IND-L
- Residential One: R1
- Residential Three: R3
- Rural Land One: RL-1
- Rural Land Two: RL-2
- Rural Land Three: RL-3



Amendment 8

Northern Lebanon Map Amendment – Heater Road Area

From: Zoning Staff and 120 Corridor Study

1 Amendment 8 seeks to Rezone the several properties in the Heater Road area. The area being
2 proposed to be rezoned allows for the existing uses to be retained in the area and the rezoning
3 diversifies the possible redevelopment of several vacant properties. Recently the former
4 residential neighborhood in the area has been demolished and a blank canvas of
5 redevelopment has been put into place. The direction of the possible redevelopment of this
6 neighborhood has not yet been identified. The rezoning will allow a more diverse mixed-use set
7 of uses to be conforming to the zone. Several properties, notably the truck stop and the
8 Hypertherm manufacturing facility remain unchanged.

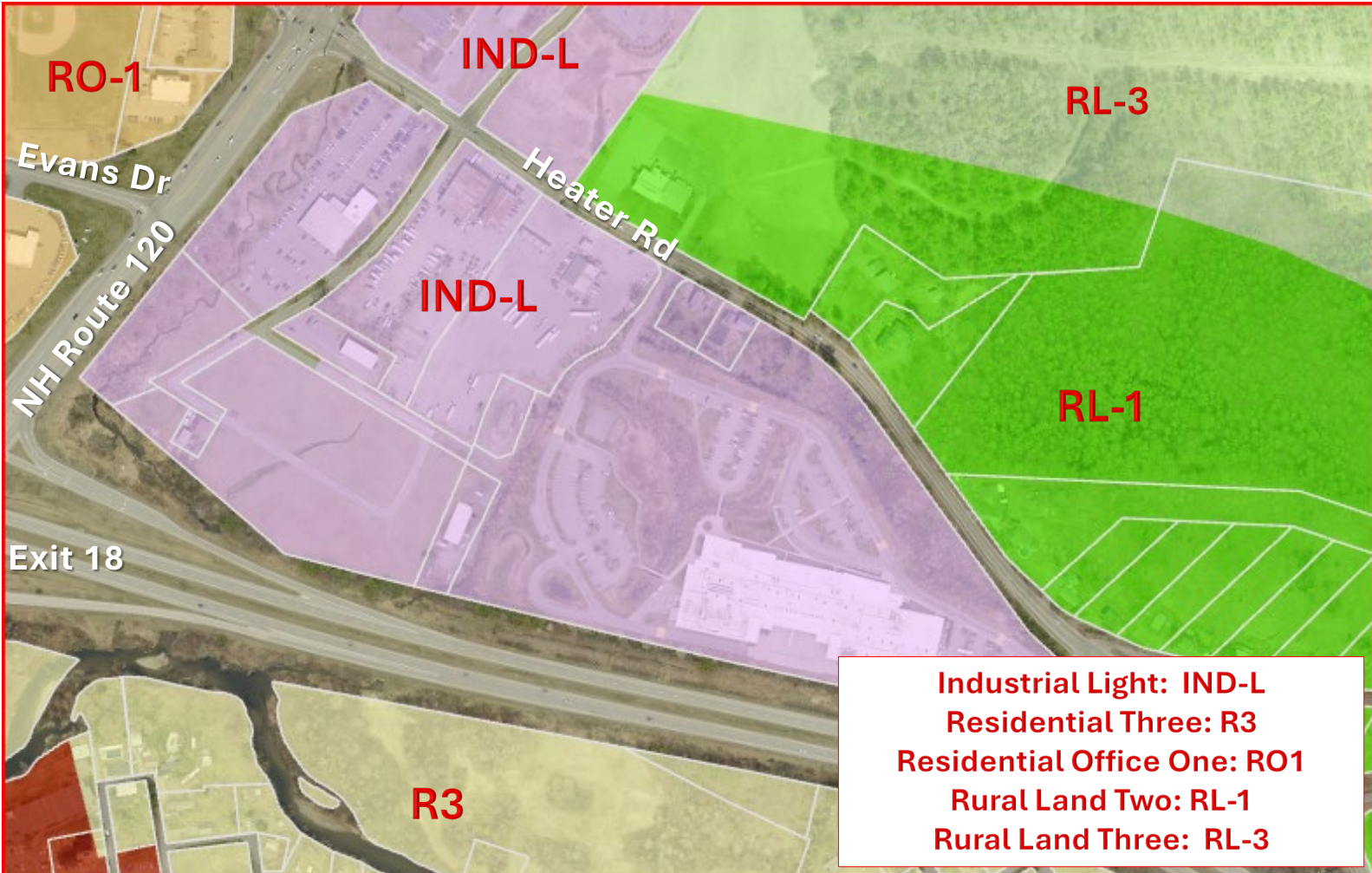
9 The Following Parcels are included:

10	Address	Parcel	Proposed Zoning	Current Zoning
11	5 Edwards	78-55	GC-1	IND-L
12	30 Little Heater Road	78-61	GC-1	IND-L
13	9 Pershing	78-48	GC-1	IND-L
14	175 Heater Road	64-30	GC-1	IND-L

15 Map Amendment follows:

Amendment #8

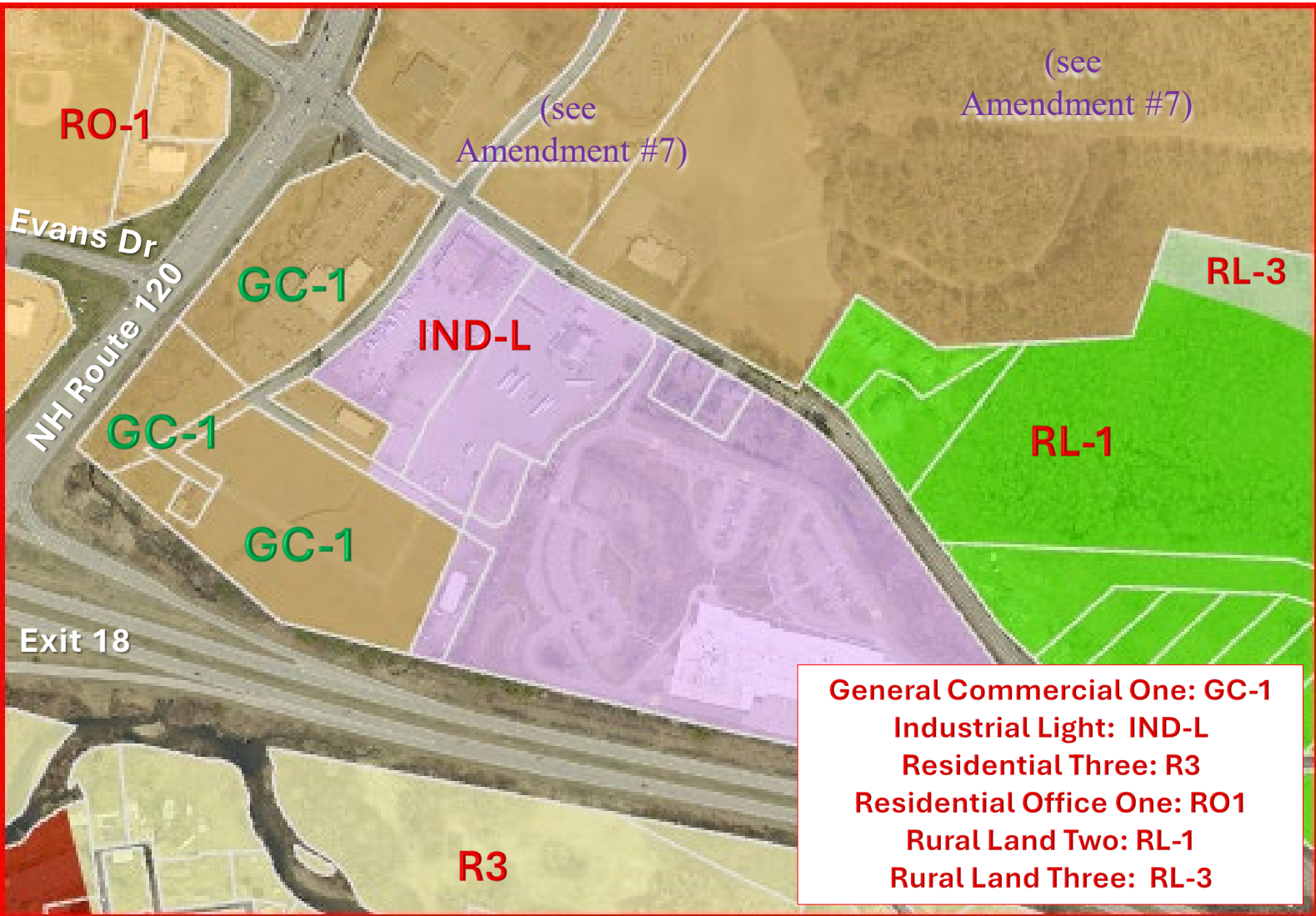
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Amendment #8

Proposed Zoning

(Fall 2025 Amendment)



Amendment 9

Northern Lebanon Wildlife Overlay

From: Zoning Staff and 120 Corridor Study

The following creates a Wildlife Corridor Overlay that requires the Planning Board as a part of its deliberations on an application within the Overlay to examine the impact of the development on wildlife passage through the corridor. The proposed District is significantly reduced in scope from previous versions and now only examines wildlife movement. Amendment 9 in combination with map Amendment 6 will enhance wildlife, steep slope and environmental protection within the 120 area.

SECTION 411 Northern Lebanon Wildlife Overlay District

411.1 Purposes.

The purposes of the Northern Lebanon Wildlife Overlay District are to:

- A. Preserve and protect the integrity of the wildlife corridor and crossings that connect otherwise fragmented habitats in the Northern Lebanon ecosystem, as well as preserving and maintaining interconnected wildlife habitats for native flora and fauna more generally. Doing so is vital for enabling wildlife movement, promoting genetic diversity in wildlife populations, and maintaining the biodiversity and ecological health of the region, and furthermore prevents the need for investment in expensive restoration measures in the future.
- B. Preserve, protect, and enhance scenic, scientific, and educational values associated with the wildlife within the district.

411.2 Description of Northern Lebanon Wildlife District.

The Northern Lebanon Wildlife District includes all areas as depicted on the Official Lebanon GIS system map layer.

411.3 Permitted Uses.

Uses permitted on the respective use tables of the underlying zoning district shall be permitted.

411.4 Accessory structures and minor expansions.

An accessory structure or building addition with a footprint up to a cumulative 1000 square feet may be administratively approved pursuant to the site plan regulations.

411.5 Additional Planning Board Approval Criteria.

In passing upon any application that requires Planning Board approval, the Planning Board shall make each of the following findings:

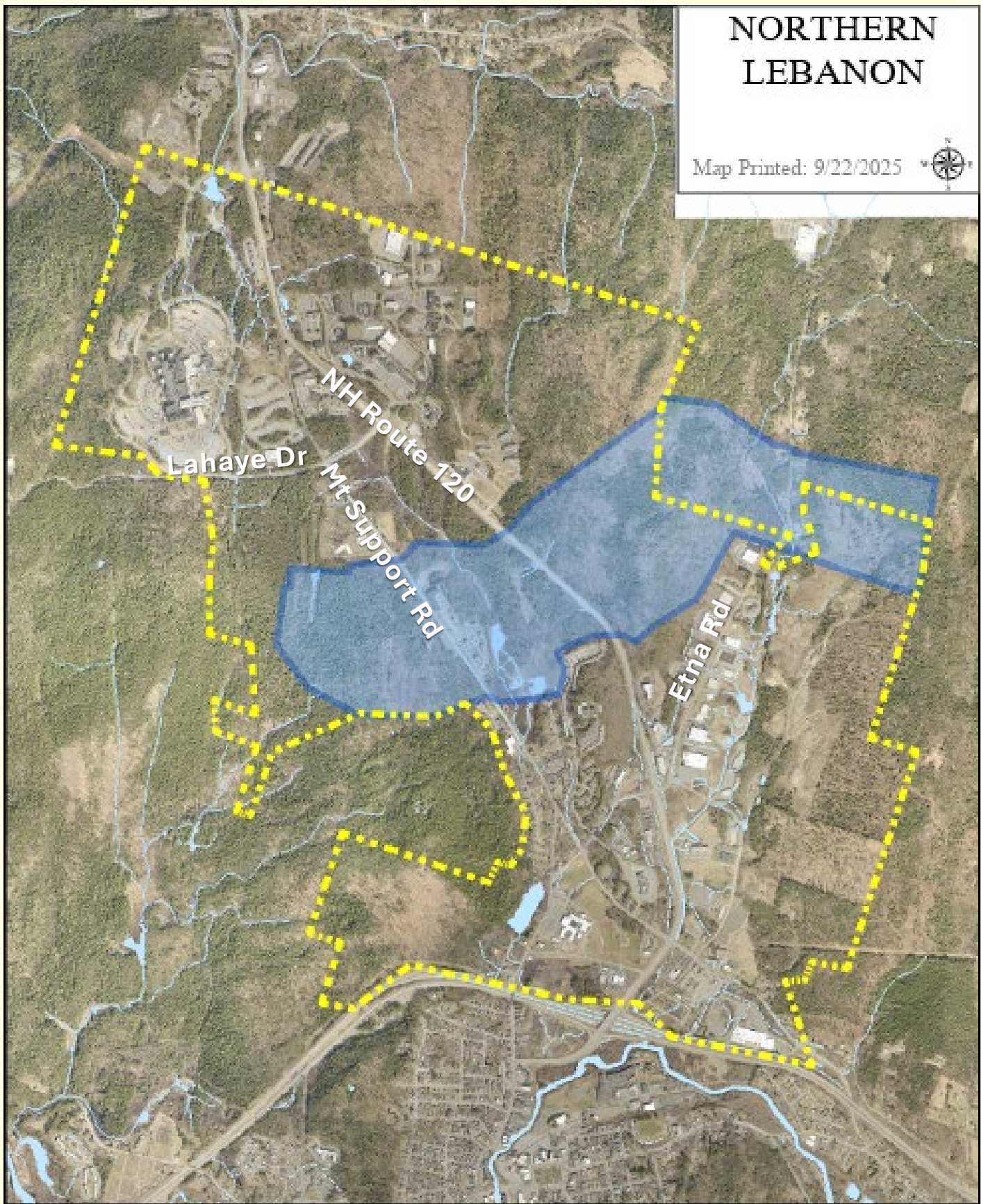
- A. The project makes adequate accommodation for the free movement of wildlife through the corridor.
- B. The project does not create an undue hazard or nuisance to the wildlife within the district.
- C. Wildlife crossings and essential wildlife conductivity within the Northern Lebanon Wildlife District are maintained.

Overlay Map Follows:

Amendment #9

NORTHERN LEBANON

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Proposed Zoning
Amendment #9

Natural Resource Wildlife Overlay District

 Wildlife Corridor Overlay

Amendment 10

Northern Lebanon Text Amendments

From: Zoning Staff

The following are the corresponding text amendments that go along with the proposed rezoning map amendments for the 120 Corridor. Please note the GC-1 use table is color coded based on what uses go with what map amendment. The purpose of the different uses for each map is to make sure an existing use does not become nonconforming with an approved zoning map amendment.

SECTION 501 PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD).

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501.4 Commercial or Industrial Planned Unit Developments.

C. Tract Size: All Commercial or Industrial PUDs shall have a minimum tract size of 10 acres.

<u>District</u>	<u>Minimum Tract Size</u>
<u>Industrial</u>	<u>10 acres</u>
<u>CB</u>	<u>10 Acres</u>
<u>GC</u>	<u>10 Acres</u>
<u>GC-1</u>	<u>10 Acres</u>

D. Uses Allowed in a Commercial or Industrial PUD. Any non-residential use permitted or allowed by **special exception** or **conditional use** in the IND-L, CB, GC, or GC-1 Districts is allowed in a Commercial PUD. Such uses allowed by **special exception** or **conditional use** shall be considered permitted uses when included as part of a proposed Commercial PUD and shall not require separate **special exception** or **conditional use** approval.

Any non-residential use permitted or allowed by **special exception** or **conditional use** permit in the IND-L and IND-RA Districts is allowed in an Industrial PUD. Such uses allowed by **special exception** or **conditional use** shall be considered permitted uses when included as part of a proposed Industrial PUD and shall not require separate **special exception** or **conditional use** approval. Additionally, no more than 25 percent of the **gross floor area** in an Industrial PUD may be allocated to **hotels, restaurants, personal services** and retail sales necessary to serve the needs of the other businesses in the PUD (or of their employees).

Dwelling units in **one-family, two-family** and **multi-family dwellings** or appropriate mixes thereof may be allowed in Commercial or Industrial PUDs, at the discretion of the Planning Board, provided that the Board determines that such residential uses are compatible within the proposed PUD. For PUDs or portions thereof in the IND-L or IND-RA Districts, the density of residential uses allowed pursuant to this section shall be

39 determined based on a maximum of 25% of the net land area of the PUD
40 not planned for open space, roads, or utilities and calculated at a density of
41 13 **dwelling units** per acre. For PUDs or portions thereof located in the GC,
42 GC-1, or CB Districts, the density of residential uses allowed pursuant to
43 this section shall be determined by the Planning Board pursuant to Sections
44 305.5, 305A.4, and 306.5, respectively. Where allowed, such **dwelling**
45 **units** may be clustered together and/or distributed within the Commercial
46 or Industrial PUD in **mixed use buildings** at the discretion of the Planning
47 Board.
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50 SECTION 508 PLANNED BUSINESS PARKS.
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54 508.2 General Requirement. A **planned business park** is allowed as a
55 Conditional Use in the Light Industrial District, General Commercial One District,
56 Central Business District and the Industrial Rail Access District.
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58 508.4 Sectors, Allowed Uses.
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- 60 A. The **planned business park** shall be shown on an approved Subdivision
61 Plan and Use Allocation Plan. The Subdivision Plan and Use Allocation Plan
62 approved by the Planning Board shall designate the allocation of the
63 Industrial/ Office, Commercial and Residential Uses within the Park.
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- 65 B. No more than 20% of the net land area not planned for open space, roads,
66 or utilities shall be used for the Commercial Sector.
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- 68 C. Unless limited by the Planning Board at the time of subdivision approval,
69 the following uses shall be permitted.
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- 71 1. The following uses shall be permitted by right for any **planned**
72 **business park** Industrial/Office Sector: **light industry; warehouse;**
73 trucking terminal; publishing/printing; plumbing, electrical or
74 carpentry shop; research laboratory; local government use;
75 **essential service;** outdoor storage per Section 303.4 (less than
76 20%); **group day care facility** per Section 604; general business
77 offices, research facilities, medical office buildings; **health clubs,**
78 Educational Facility, College/University; Educational Facility,
79 Vocational School; any use allowed in the Central Business (CB)
80 District; and **accessory uses** to a permitted use. Retail showrooms
81 per Sections 303.5 and 303A.5 shall be allowed by **conditional use**
82 permit.
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- 84 2. The following uses shall be permitted by right for any **planned**
85 **business park** Commercial Sector: **retail store(s)** up to a
86 cumulative maximum of 20,000 sq. ft. of **gross floor area; personal**
87 **service;** bank, branch bank; **restaurant,** sandwich shop/deli;
88 refreshment stand; **office; motel; hotel;** movie theater;

89 **membership club; amusements (indoor);** printing (i.e. retail copy
90 store); radio or TV studio; **group day care facility** per Section 604;
91 local government use; ~~and health clubs;~~ any use allowed in the
92 Central Business (CB) District.
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- 94 D. **Dwelling units** in **one-family, two-family** and **multi-family dwellings** or
95 appropriate mixes thereof at the discretion of the Planning Board, shall be
96 provided for in all **planned business parks**. The maximum number of
97 **dwelling units** allowed pursuant to this section shall be based on a
98 minimum of 15% and a maximum of 25% of the net land area of the park
99 not planned for open space, roads, or utilities and calculated at a density of
100 13 **dwelling units** per acre. Such **dwelling units** may be clustered together
101 and/or distributed within the Park at the discretion of the Planning Board.
102 For **planned business parks** in the GC-1 and CB District or portions
103 thereof, the density of residential uses allowed pursuant to this section shall
104 be determined by the Planning Board pursuant to Sections 305A.4 and
105 306.5, respectively.

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305A General Commercial One District
305A.2 Table of Uses.

<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit (see Section 302.4)</u>
<u>Residential</u> 1. Multi-family dwelling (see Section 305A.4) <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 2. Dwelling unit(s) above first floor 3. Essential service 4. Financial institution 5. Group day care facility per Section 604 6. Office 7. Personal service 8. Renewable energy system per Section 612 9. Bus Terminal 10. Hotel 11. Health Club 12. Local Government Use 13. Plumbing, electrical or carpentry shop 14. Publishing or Printing 15. Truck Stop 16. Ware house 17. Equipment & Machinery Sales & Service 18. Outdoor Storage (less than 70%)	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Alternative treatment center per Section 613 2. Drycleaning pick-up station 3. Educational facility, college/university 4. Inpatient rehabilitation facility 5. Light industry 6. Research laboratory 7. Restaurant , sandwich shop 8. Retail store 9. Outdoor storage (more than 70%) 10. Car Wash 11. Vehicular Sales <u>Planned Developments</u> 1. Commercial PUD per Section 501 2. Manufactured Housing PURD per Section 504 3. Cottage Development 4. Industrial PUD per Section 501 5. Planned Business Park per Section 508 <div style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <u>Special Exception</u> (see Section 801.3) </div> 1. Care and Treatment of Animals

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Etna Road Uses/Rezoning
Centerra/Alteria Rezoning

LaBombard Road Rezoning
Heater Road Rezoning

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306 Central Business District (CBD)
306.2 Table of Uses.

<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
<u>Residential</u> 1. Dwelling unit(s) above first floor 2. Multi-family dwelling (see Section 306.5) 3. Senior housing complex <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 4. Amusements (indoor) 5. Community center 6. Drycleaning pick-up station 7. Financial institution 8. Group day care facility per Section 604 9. Funeral home 10. Health club 11. Hotel 12. House of worship 13. Laundromat 14. Library 15. Local government use 16. Membership club 17. Motel 18. Museum 19. Office 20. Personal service 21. Radio or TV studio 22. Renewable energy system per Section 612 23. Restaurant , sandwich shop 24. Retail store 25. Social service center 26. Theater, concert hall, movie theater	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Craftsman's shop 2. Drive-through facility 3. Educational facility, college/university 4. Recovery Houses <div style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit</u> (see Section 302.4) </div> <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Essential service 2. Other uses per Section 306.4 3. Parking facility 4. Publishing/printing 5. Recreational facility, indoor 6. Recreational facility, outdoor 7. Research Laboratory <u>Planned Developments</u> 8. Commercial or industrial PUD per Section 501 8-9. <u>Planning Business Park</u>

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Historic District Design Standards
From: Lebanon Heritage Commission

1 The purpose of this amendment is to provide more guidance to the Heritage Commission when
2 making decisions and to the applicant when applying for a Certificate of Approval. The
3 ordinance provides a framework for the protection of properties and the distinct characteristics
4 of the historic district to ensure they are preserved.
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8 SECTION 408 HISTORIC DISTRICT.
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10 408.1 Authority.

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12 This section is enacted pursuant to RSA 674:46. The City of Lebanon Heritage Commission
13 shall have the authority granted to it by RSA 674:44-a through d, et. seq., and this Ordinance.
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15 408.2 Purposes.

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17 The purpose of this Ordinance is to preserve the ~~heritage-historic~~ and cultural resources of the
18 City of Lebanon and, particularly, the City's structures and places of historic, architectural and
19 community value in order to:

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21 A. Establish and preserve districts in the City which reflect elements of its cultural, social,
22 economic, political, community, and architectural history;
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24 B. Conserve property values in such districts;
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26 C. Foster civic beauty;
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28 D. Strengthen the local economy; and,
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30 E. Promote the use of historic districts for the education, pleasure, and welfare of the
31 citizens of the City.
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33 408.3 Delineation of Historic Districts.

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35 The areas and boundaries of the Historic Districts are shown on the Historic District Map of the
36 City of Lebanon and made a part of this Ordinance and the Official Zoning Map of the City of
37 Lebanon. The Historic District Map is attached hereto as Appendix C.
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39 408.4 Certificate of Approval Required.

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41 A Certificate of Approval shall be obtained from the Heritage Commission in the manner set
42 forth herein prior to the commencement of any of the following activities within any Historic
43 District:

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45 A. The construction of any new **building**;

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47 B. The addition to, alteration, or repair of any existing **building, lot or structure** which
48 would require the issuance of a building permit pursuant to the provisions of the
49 Lebanon Building Code, unless such addition, alteration, or repair does not, in any way,
50 alter the exterior or appearance of such **building, lot or structure**;

51 C. The following activities, whether or not a building permit is required for such activities:

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54 1. Roofing or re-roofing if it involves a change of design, materials or the roof
55 plane is changed;

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57 2. Siding, including new and re-siding, if it involves a change of design or
58 materials;

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60 3. Painting if applied to a previously unpainted surface;

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62 43. Replacement of doors and windows if it involves changes in the material,
63 size, location, or number of openings in the exterior or facade of a building;

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65 54. Replacement or enclosure of porches, decks, and patios if it involves a
66 change in size, location, design, and/or materials;

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68 65. Replacement of exterior stairs, landings, and overhangs if it involves a
69 change in size, location, design, and/or materials;

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71 7. Construction of or alteration to fences, walls, fountains, sculptures,
72 monuments, permanent freestanding lighting, or similar manmade features if it
73 involves a change of location, design or materials;

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75 86. Demolition or moving of a building or accessory building.

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77 No building permit (when applicable) shall be issued prior to the receipt of a Certificate of
78 Approval for the above-described activities.

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80 408.5 Activities Not Requiring Certificates of Approval.

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82 The following activities are exempt from review by the Heritage Commission, and no Certificate
83 of Approval shall be required:

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85 A. Any repairs, alterations, or improvements that do not require a building permit
86 pursuant to the Lebanon Building Code with the exception of the activities described in
87 Section 408.4 herein;

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89 B. Any repairs, alterations, or improvements to the interior of the **building**;

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- ~~C. The re-roofing of a **building**, provided that the roof plane remains the same;~~
- ~~D. Painting or re-painting of the interior or exterior of any **building**; and,~~
- ~~E. Landscaping or fencing.~~

408.6 Criteria For Review.

In determining whether or not to grant a Certificate of Approval, the Heritage Commission shall keep in mind the purpose set forth in Section 408.2 herein and shall consider, among other appropriate factors, the following:

- A. The historical or architectural value of a **building** and its setting;
- B. In connection with additions, repair or restoration of any existing **building**, the compatibility of the exterior design, arrangement, texture, and materials proposed to be used in relationship to this existing **building**, its setting, and the Historic District as a whole; and,
- C. The size, scale, and design of proposed construction in relationship to the existing surroundings, including consideration of such factors as a **building's** overall height, width, street **frontage**, number of stories, type of roofs, facade openings (windows and doors), and **architectural details**.

When the Heritage Commission determines that it is necessary or advisable in order to preserve or protect historically and/or architecturally significant buildings, the Commission may require preservation and/or accurate reproduction of exterior architectural features. Preservation and/or reproduction measures shall be completed pursuant to the "Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings" (as of 9/3/2025):

1. A property shall be used for its historic purpose or be placed in a new use that requires minimal change to the defining characteristics of the building and its site and environment.
2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
3. Each property shall be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or architectural elements from other buildings, shall not be undertaken.
4. Most properties change over time; those changes that have acquired historic significance in their own right shall be retained and preserved.

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- 132 5. Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship
133 that characterize a historic property shall be preserved.
- 134 6. Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity
135 of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match
136 the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials.
137 Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or
138 pictorial evidence.
- 139 7. Chemical or physical treatments, such as sandblasting, that cause damage to historic
140 materials shall not be used. The surface cleaning of structures, if appropriate, shall be
141 undertaken using the gentlest means possible.
- 142 8. Significant archeological resources affected by a project shall be protected and
143 preserved. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures shall be
144 undertaken.
- 145 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic
146 materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the
147 old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to
148 protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.
- 149 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a
150 manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic
151 property and its environment would be unimpaired.

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153 Applications for Certificates of Approval may be denied if such denial is required to prevent
154 construction or development which would conflict with the stated purposes of Section 408.2
155 herein.

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157 408.7 Application Procedures.

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159 The following procedures and any rules of procedure duly adopted by the Heritage Commission
160 shall be followed in processing applications for Certificates of Approval:
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162 A. Written application for Certificates of Approval shall be made no later than 12:00 noon
163 of the 15th calendar day prior to a regularly scheduled meeting of the Heritage
164 Commission (to include the meeting date of the Commission) on forms provided by the
165 Zoning Administrator, and the applicant shall pay an application fee as adopted by the
166 City Council. The application may be filed simultaneously with any other application or
167 request for City land use permits, and the issuance of a Certificate of Approval shall not
168 be a precondition to the issuance of any other City land use permit with the exception of
169 a building permit, when applicable.

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B. There shall be a public hearing on all applications for Certificates of Approval. The applicant and all **abutters** shall receive a notice of the public hearing by certified mail, and a public notice of the hearing shall be posted in at least two public places and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Lebanon. Said notice shall be given not less than five days, nor more than 30 days, before the date of the hearing.

C. At its meeting, the Commission shall review the application for completeness as specified in Section 408.8 herein. If the application is determined to be complete, then the Commission shall vote to accept the application and commence with the public hearing. If the application is not complete, then consideration of the application shall be suspended until it is complete.

D. The Commission shall review the application using the criteria set forth in Section 408.6 herein, and then shall act to approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the application. In reviewing the application, the Commission may request reports and recommendations regarding the feasibility of the applicant's proposal from the Planning Board, Fire Chief, Building Inspector, Health Officer, and other administrative officials who may possess information concerning the impact of the proposal on the Historic District. The Commission may also seek advice from professional, educational, cultural, or other groups or persons as may be deemed necessary for the determination of a reasonable decision.

E. Within 45 calendar days from the filing of the application, unless the applicant agrees, in writing, to a longer review period, the Commission shall notify the applicant, in writing, of its action by means of the Certificate of Approval or Notice of Disapproval sent by certified mail. In case of disapproval, the Commission shall clearly set forth in a Notice of Disapproval the reasons for its action, with specific reference to standards contained in this Section.

F. Simultaneously with notifying the applicant, the Commission shall file a copy of the Certificate of Approval with the Zoning Administrator and the Building Inspector. The Building Inspector shall not issue a building permit for any activity in an Historic District requiring a Certificate of Approval until receipt of said Certificate. In the case of a disapproval, the Notice of Disapproval shall be binding on the Building Inspector or other duly delegated authority and no permit shall be issued.

G. Failure of the Commission to file said Certificate within the specified period of time shall constitute approval by the Commission.

408.8 Submittal Requirements.

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215 All applications for a Certificate of Approval shall contain a written description of the work or
216 activity for which approval is requested, together with plan and elevation drawings to scale and,
217 where appropriate, photographs which, together, shall be sufficient to reasonably inform the
218 Heritage Commission as to the type or nature of the activity applied for, the location of the
219 activity, and the effect or impact on the exterior of the building(s) involved.

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221 408.9 Removal or Demolition of Buildings.

222 No **building** shall be demolished or moved off its **lot** within any Historic District until, [following](#)
223 [receipt of a Certificate of Approval](#), at least one publication of notice of such demolition or
224 removal has been published by the owner in a newspaper of general circulation in the area in
225 which the **building** and **lot** are located, such notice to be published not less than 30 days prior
226 to the date of such demolition or removal.

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229 The purpose of this provision is to further the purposes of Section 408.2 and to afford a person
230 or organization the opportunity to acquire, or to arrange for the preservation of, such **building**.

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232 Notwithstanding the above, upon application to the City Building Inspector, any **building**
233 substantially damaged as a result of fire or other disaster or constituting a public safety hazard
234 shall be exempt from the provisions of this section.

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236 408.10 Appeal.

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238 Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Heritage Commission shall have the right to appeal
239 said decision to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as provided by RSA 677:17. Such appeals
240 shall be filed with the Zoning Board of Adjustment within 20 days of the filing of the Certificate of
241 Approval or Notice of Disapproval with the Building Inspector.

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243 408.11 Enforcement.

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245 The provisions of this Section 408 shall be enforced as provided by State law and pursuant to
246 Section 903 of this Ordinance.

Amendment 12

Mobile Food

From: Food Truck Task Force and Staff

1 The purpose of this amendments is to create a new section of the zoning ordinance that lays out the
2 rules and regulations for Mobile Food Service Vending in Lebanon. This proposed amendment is the
3 result of the work from the Lebanon Food Truck Task Force.

Mobile Food Service Vending

DEFINITIONS (APPENDIX A)

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9 **MOBILE FOOD SERVICE VENDING** – The preparation and/or dispensation of food or beverages
10 by a **mobile food service vendor** from a **mobile food service unit** for immediate service and/or
11 consumption.

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13 **MOBILE FOOD SERVICE VENDOR(s)** - Any person, including an employee or agent of another,
14 who prepares and/or dispenses food or beverages from a **mobile food service unit** for immediate
15 service and/or consumption.

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17 **MOBILE FOOD SERVICE UNIT** – Any vehicle that is (a) self-propelled or that can be pulled or
18 pushed down a street or sidewalk and (b) utilized by a **mobile food service vendor** for the
19 purpose of preparing and/or dispensing food or beverages for immediate service and/or
20 consumption.

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22 **STAND VENDING** – The sale of food, beverages, goods, or merchandise from a **stand**.

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24 **STAND** - Any newsstand, table, bench, booth, rack, handcart, pushcart, or any other fixture or
25 device which is not required to be licensed and registered by the NH Department of Motor Vehicles,
26 used for the display, storage, or transportation of articles offered for sale by a **stand vendor**.

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28 **STAND VENDOR(s)** - Any person, including an employee or agent of another, who sells or offers
29 to sell food, beverages, goods, or merchandise from a **stand** with a vendor license issued by the
City.

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31 **VENDOR(s)** - Any person who is a **mobile food service vendor** or **stand vendor**.

PERMITTED ZONING DISTRICTS (Article III)

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35 GC-1

36 IND-L

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38 MC-2

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41 STANDARDS FOR USE (Article VI)

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43 SECTION 614 MOBILE FOOD SERVICE

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- 45 A. The purpose of this section is to provide opportunities for **mobile food service vending** and
- 46 **stand vending** within certain non-residential areas in the City.
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- 48 B. **Mobile food service vending** and **stand vending** shall be a permitted use in the Central
- 49 Business, Lebanon Downtown, General Commercial, General Commercial-One, Light
- 50 Industrial, Medical Center and Medical Center - 2 Zoning Districts provided the following
- 51 standards are met:
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- 53 C. Prior to beginning operations, property owner(s) must obtain a Zoning Permit which shall
- 54 be valid for one (1) year. An application for a Zoning Permit shall include the following:
- 55 1. A site drawing of the property identifying existing and proposed conditions.
- 56 2. The location of the **mobile food service vendors** and **stand vendors**, utility
- 57 connections, and compliance with setback requirements.
- 58 3. The location of any seating, tables garbage receptacles or similar customer
- 59 amenities.
- 60 4. A safety plan for each **mobile food service vendor** and **stand vendor**. The plan
- 61 shall include the location of barriers, caution cones, or similar safety items that are
- 62 to be deployed to ensure that patrons can safely interact with the **mobile food**
- 63 **service unit** or **stand vendor**. Safety measures shall be scaled to protect
- 64 patrons based upon traffic conditions.
- 65 5. A site parking calculation showing the total number of parking spaces on the site,
- 66 the number and location of parking spaces assigned to each of the **mobile food**
- 67 **service vendors** and **stand vendors** upon the lot.
- 68 6. Hours of operation, and days of the week and months of operation. Operation of a
- 69 **mobile food service vendor** and **stand vendor** is limited to the hours between 7:00
- 70 AM and 9:00 PM daily.
- 71 7. The location of **sandwich boards signs** if applicable.
- 72 8. Written permission of the landowner consenting to the proposed operation.
- 73 9. Identify a plan for the disposal of wastewater and garbage.
- 74 10. The landowner may reapply for a Zoning Permit on an annual basis.
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- 76 D. **Mobile food service vendors** and **stand vendors** shall not:
- 77 1. Be located within 25 feet of a handicap accessible parking space, fire hydrant, fire
- 78 escape, bus stop, loading zone, driveway entrance or a **residential district**.
- 79 2. Be located in a manner that creates hazardous travel conditions or impedes the
- 80 operations of police, fire, or emergency services, or the flow of automobile traffic or
- 81 pedestrian traffic.

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- 82 3. Block access to or occupy any portion of any handicap accessible parking space or
- 83 access ramp.
- 84 4. Utilize an open fire without permission of the property owner and a permit from the
- 85 Lebanon Fire Department.
- 86 5. Shout, make an outcry, blow a horn, ring a bell, or use any other sound device for the
- 87 purpose of attracting attention to any goods which the **vendor** proposes to sell.
- 88 6. Inappropriately dispose of wastewater and garbage including but not limited to
- 89 dumping in open stormwater drains.
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91 E. Utilities for **mobile food service units** and **stands** shall be self-contained and shall not

92 connect to City sewer and water nor dispose of waste in storm sewers. External portable

93 generators or other noise emitting equipment shall not be operated prior to 9:00 AM on

94 weekdays and Saturdays nor prior to 12:00 noon on Sundays and must not operate after

95 9:00 PM daily.

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97 F. The maximum number of **mobile food service units** and **stands** allowed on any one **lot**

98 shall be determined by the lot size and the amount of available space on the **lot**.

- 99 1. For **lots** that require more than 40 parking spaces per Section 607, **mobile food service**
- 100 **unit(s)** and/or **stand(s)** may be located in parking areas. No more than 10 percent
- 101 (10%) of parking spaces may be utilized to locate **mobile food service units** and
- 102 **stands**. A minimum of 4 parking spaces and a maximum of 6 parking spaces per
- 103 vendor shall be provided.
- 104 2. For lots with fewer than 40 parking spaces per Section 607, one **mobile food**
- 105 **service unit and / or stand** is permitted. A minimum of 4 parking spaces must be
- 106 available to accommodate the use.
- 107 3. On lots with fewer than 40 parking spaces, one **mobile food service units and**
- 108 **stand** and shall provide a minimum of 2 off street parking spaces for patrons.
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110 G. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 608.6 (Temporary Signs), **mobile food**

111 **service units** and **stands** are limited to the placement of no more than 2 **sandwich**

112 **board signs** for each **mobile food service unit and stand** when the operation is open.

113 Feather flags, balloons, inflatables, pennants, ribbons, streamers, and spinners or other

114 similar devices which may move or swing as a result of wind pressure are prohibited.

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116 H. Utilization of a public right of way or public property for operation of a **mobile food service**

117 **unit** or **stand** is permitted pursuant to *Chapter 179 Vendors* of the City Code. The City of

118 Lebanon Recreation, Arts and Parks Department in conjunction with the City Manager's

119 Office may permit **mobile food service units** and **stands** within the confines of a city park

120 or city recreation facility irrespective of the underlying Zoning District.

Amendment 13

EV Charging

From: Lebanon Energy Advisory Committee (LEAC)

1 These amendments incorporate knowledge gained since the Zoning Ordinance requirements for
2 EV charging at new developments were adopted in 2023. The amendments will significantly
3 reduce costs for developers and lower demand on the electrical grid while expanding residents'
4 access to EV charging.

7 **EV Regulations**

9 **APPENDIX A**

11 **Draft amendments to Zoning Ordinance (with proposed changes in red)**

13 From Zoning Ordinance pages 183-184:

15 607.8 Electric Vehicles.

17 A. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to facilitate the transition to **electric vehicle** use and
18 to expedite the establishment of convenient, cost-effective **electric vehicle infrastructure** that
19 such a transition necessitates.

21 B. Applicability. **EV charging stations** are allowed as an **accessory use** in all zoning districts.
22 When the retail charging of **electric vehicles** is proposed to be the principal use of a **lot**, then
23 the proposed **EV charging station** shall be considered a **service station** for zoning purposes.

25 C. EV Infrastructure Requirements / Off-Street EV Parking Requirements. **EVSE-installed**
26 **spaces, EVSE-ready spaces, and EVSE-capable spaces** shall be provided as follows:

- 28 1. One- and Two-Family Dwellings. All new **one-** and **two-family dwellings** shall
29 provide at least one (1) **EVSE-Ready Low-power Level 2 charging** space per
30 **dwelling unit**.
- 32 2. All new dwellings with up to three units, including Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs),
33 shall provide at least one (1) **EVSE-Ready Low-power Level 2 charging** space per
34 dwelling unit.
- 36 3. Multi-Family Dwellings (four or more units; **adding units to existing multi-family**
37 **housing triggers the requirements for the new units only**). Parking for new **multi-family**
38 **dwellings** shall include:
 - 39 a. For each residential unit with parking, **at least one EVSE-Ready Low-power**
40 **Level 2 charging space per unit** for 50% of total units with parking.
 - 41 b. **EV-Capable Low-power Level 2 spaces** for a minimum of the remaining
42 **50% of residential units with parking and 25% of the remaining off-street parking**.
- 44 4. Non-Residential Uses. Parking for uses requiring **the provision of 10 or more new or**
45 **additional off-street parking spaces** shall include:

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From: Lebanon Energy Advisory Committee (LEAC)

46 a. **EVSE-Installed Level 2 spaces** for a minimum of 2% of **new or additional off-**
47 **street parking spaces**, with a minimum of two **EVSE-Installed spaces**.

48 b. **EVSE-Ready or EVSE-Capable Level 2 spaces** for a minimum of 2% of
49 **new additional off-street parking spaces**.

50 c. For parking spaces dedicated for employee use, these requirements may be
51 replaced by a minimum of one EVSE-Ready Low-power Level 2 charging space per
52 employee for at least half of employees in the largest shift who drive to work and who
53 are offered parking

54 d. For existing (not "greenfield") non-residential developments, these
55 requirements for EV charging may be replaced by a contribution to a common fund
56 managed by the City of Lebanon for installing public EV charging stations at a separate
57 site, with the contribution amount to be determined by the City.

58 5. Where the calculations above result in a fractional parking space, it shall round up to
59 the next whole number.

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61 6. Where the number of **EVSE-Installed spaces** provided exceeds the minimum
62 required, the excess spaces shall be deducted from the total number of required **EVSE-**
63 **Ready spaces of a similar level (Low-power Level 2, or Level 2)**.

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65 7. Where the number of **EVSE-Ready spaces** provided exceeds the minimum required,
66 the excess **EVSE-Ready spaces** shall be deducted from the total number of required
67 **EVSE-Capable spaces of a similar level (Low-power Level 2, or Level 2)**.

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69 8. Up to five **Level 2 EVSE-Installed spaces** may be substituted with one (1) **Level 3**
70 **EV-Installed space** (minimum 150 kW).

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72 9. **EVSE-Installed spaces, EVSE-Ready spaces, and EVSE-Capable spaces** are to
73 be included in the calculation for both the number of minimum required and maximum
74 permitted off-street parking spaces.

75 a. Every two (2) **EVSE-Installed spaces** provided in addition to the required
76 minimum may be counted as four (4) **off-street parking spaces** as relates to Section
77 607.1 (Minimum Off-Street Parking Requirements), for reduction of total required
78 parking not greater than 10 percent of the total amount of required parking.

79 10. **In each instance where EVSE Capable is required, EVSE Ready or EVSE Installed**
80 **may substitute. In each instance where EVSE Ready is required, EVSE Installed may**
81 **substitute.**

82 Pages 183-184 and 187:

83 Appendix A – Definitions

84 **ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT (EVSE) / EV CHARGING STATION (EVCS):** The
85 apparatus installed specifically for the purpose of transferring energy between the site or
86 building wiring and the Electric Vehicle. EVSE does not include any equipment affixed to the
87 electric vehicle.
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90 **ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE:** Structures, machinery, and equipment necessary
91 and integral to support an *electric vehicle*, including *EV charging stations* and electrical
92 outlets.

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94 **ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV):** An automotive-type vehicle for on-road use primarily powered by an
95 electric motor, including any battery electric vehicle, ~~fuel cell electric vehicle~~, or plug-in hybrid
96 electric vehicle, that draws current from an onboard battery charged through a building or site
97 electrical service, *EVSE*, or other source of electric current.

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99 **EVSE-CAPABLE SPACE:** An *off-street parking space* with electrical panel capacity and
100 space for a branch circuit dedicated to the parking space that is not less than ~~20-ampere and~~
101 ~~110/120-volt panel capacity for Level 1 charging, or 20-ampere and 208/240-volt for Low-Power~~
102 ~~Level 2 charging, or 40-ampere and 208/240-volt for Level 2 charging~~, and is equipped with
103 raceways, both underground and surface mounted, to enable the future installation of *EVSE*.
104 For two adjacent EV-capable spaces, a single branch circuit is permitted.

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106 **EVSE-READY SPACE:** An off-street parking space provided with a full dedicated branch circuit
107 that includes not less than ~~20-ampere and 110/120-volt panel capacity for Level 1 charging, or~~
108 ~~20-ampere and 208/240-volt panel capacity for Low-Power Level 2 charging, or 40-ampere and~~
109 ~~208/240-volt panel capacity for Level 2 charging plus~~ conduit, wiring, receptacle, and
110 overprotection devices terminating in an outlet ~~or receptacle or junction box~~ that will support an
111 installed EVSE ~~or support attachment of a charge cord for the vehicle~~ and which is located in
112 close proximity to the location of the parking space. For two adjacent EV-Ready spaces, a
113 single branch circuit is permitted. These spaces are “ready to go” ~~as outlets for users who bring~~
114 ~~their own charging cords or~~ with the addition of an installed EV charging station (*EVCS*).

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116 **EVSE-INSTALLED SPACE:** An *off-street parking space* with a dedicated branch circuit and
117 *EVSE*. ~~at minimum.~~

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119 **LEVEL 1** (which is not mandated but is included here for informational purposes): Charging
120 level for *EVs* that operates on a dedicated 20-amp breaker (same kind used for conventional
121 electrical outlets in most buildings) on a 110- or 120-volt AC circuit while drawing 1.9-3.2 kW to
122 supply approximately 2-5 miles of range gained per hour of charging.

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124 **LOW-POWER LEVEL 2:** Charging level for *EVs* that operates on a dedicated 20-amp breaker
125 on a 208- or 240-volt AC circuit while drawing 3.3-6.1 kW to supply approximately 15+ miles of
126 range gained per hour of charging.

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128 **LEVEL 2:** Charging level for *EVs* that operates on a dedicated 40- to 100-amp breaker (same
129 kind used by a clothes dryer or stove) on a 208- or 240-volt AC circuit while drawing 6.2+ kW to
130 supply 19+ miles of range gained per hour of charging.

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132 **LEVEL 3:** Fast or rapid charging level for *EVs* that operates on a 60-amp or higher breaker on a
133 480-volt AC electric circuit or higher ~~three~~-phase circuit with special grounding equipment and
134 mounting on an equipment pad.

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1 The purpose of this amendment is to update the sign ordinance to mitigate issues and concerns
2 planning staff has experienced firsthand. The goals are to make this ordinance clearer to
3 understand for the sign permit applicant and easier for planning staff to enforce. One new
4 element to the ordinance is the regulation of window signs. A new sign fee is added to the
5 Zoning Ordinance. City Council will need to add the fee to Chapter 68.

6 7 SECTION 608 SIGNS.

8 608.1 Purpose and Intent.

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10 The purpose of this Section is to create the legal framework for a comprehensive and
11 balanced system of **signs** in order to:

- 12 • further the goals of the Lebanon Master Plan;
- 13 • preserve the right of free speech and expression;
- 14 • provide easy and pleasant communication between people and their environment;
- 15 • avoid excessive levels of visual clutter or distraction that are potentially harmful to
16 property values, business opportunities, and community appearance;
- 17 • assure that public benefits derived from expenditures of public funds for the
18 improvement and beautification of streets, and other public structures and spaces,
19 are protected by exercising reasonable controls over the character and design of
20 **sign** structures;
- 21 • help to allow the free flow of traffic and protect pedestrians, bicyclists, and
22 motorists from injury and property damage caused by, or which may be fully or
23 partially attributable to cluttered, distracting, or illegible signage; and
- 24 • promote the use of **signs** which are aesthetically pleasing, of appropriate scale,
25 and integrated with surrounding **buildings** and landscape, in order to meet the
26 community's expressed desire for quality development.

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28 With these purposes in mind, it is the intent of this Section to authorize the use of **signs**
29 that are:

- 30 • compatible with their surroundings;
- 31 • appropriate to the activity that displays them;
- 32 • expressive of the identity of individual activities and the community as a whole;
- 33 • legible in the circumstances in which they are seen;
- 34 • unlikely to distract drivers to a dangerous degree; and
- 35 • able to preserve the right of free speech and expression.

36 37 608.2 General Provisions.

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39 A. Signs Prohibited. **Signs** are prohibited in all zoning districts unless the **sign** is:

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41 1. Constructed pursuant to a valid ~~building~~ **Sign Permit** when required under

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- 42 this Section; and
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44 2. Authorized under this Section or the City of Lebanon Code Ch. 152, Article
45 IV and in compliance with all applicable regulations of this Section.
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47 B. Building Sign Permit Required. A ~~building~~ **Sign** permit from the Planning
48 Department is required prior to the display and erection of any **sign**, except as
49 provided in Section 608.7 (“Signs Allowed Without a ~~Building Sign~~ Permit”). Every
50 ~~building~~ **Sign Permit** application shall include:
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52 1. A photograph of any existing **signs** to be ~~replaced~~ **refaced**, and the **sign**
53 **area** and dimensions of each **sign** to be ~~replaced~~ **refaced**.
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55 2. A drawing to scale of each proposed **sign**. Each rendering shall identify:
56 a. the total **sign area** in square feet;
57 b. the dimensions of the **sign** in feet and inches;
58 c. the height of the **sign**;
59 d. the proposed location of the **sign** on the **building**, if applicable;
60 e. construction materials; and
61 f. landscaping specifications, if applicable.
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63 3. A scaled plot plan of the **lot** depicting the proposed location of any
64 **freestanding sign** and any **associated landscaping**.
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66 4. Specifications for the construction or display of the **sign** and for its
67 illumination and mechanical movement, if any.
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69 5. Where **internal illumination** is proposed, documentation necessary to
70 demonstrate compliance with Section 608.4.A.6 (“Illumination”).
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72 6. **All applicable dimensions, measurements, and sign area calculations**
73 **required to support the approval of the sign permit requested**.
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75 C. Enforcement. Any **sign** displayed or erected which is not authorized by this Section
76 and/or is not in compliance with all applicable regulations set forth herein shall be
77 removed, and shall be subject to all available enforcement options pursuant to NH
78 RSA Chapter 676.

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80 In the course of investigating a brightness of luminance complaint, the Planning
81 and Development Department may request a certification of the brightness of
82 luminance by an independent contractor. If the investigation and certification
83 indicate that the sign exceeds any applicable brightness or luminance levels
84 specified in Section 608, the owner of the sign shall turn off the sign within twenty-
85 four (24) hours of a request to do so by the City, and the sign shall remain off until
86 the brightness or luminance of the sign is brought into compliance.

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- D. Clear Vision & Movement. No **sign** may obstruct visibility or movement of vehicles or pedestrians, or otherwise cause any hazard to any person or property. ~~and a~~ All **signs** are subject to the requirements of Article II, Section 206, "Sight Distance at Street Intersections" **except when the following conditions are met an administrative approval by the Zoning Official may be made:**
1. A freestanding sign or portion thereof to be placed in a commercial or industrial district is not within ten feet of a street, sidewalk, crosswalk, driveway, driveway exit stop line, bus stop, or other similar improvement and
 2. Clear sightlines are demonstrated by a sightline drawing, and
 3. No sign or portion thereof is within the public right of way.
- E. Maintenance. All **signs** shall be maintained in good condition and repair at all times. Such maintenance shall not require a building permit unless the repairs include electrical work.
- F. Sign Setback. The requirements of ARTICLE II, "General Provisions," shall not prohibit the location of a **sign** in a **front, side or rear yard**, nor shall those minimum setbacks apply to **signs**.
- G. No Discrimination Against Non-Commercial Signs or Speech. The owner of any **sign** which is otherwise allowed under this Section and which has obtained a building permit may substitute non-commercial copy in lieu of any other commercial or non-commercial copy. This substitution of copy may be made without any additional approval or permitting. The purpose of this provision is to prevent any inadvertent favoring of commercial speech over non-commercial speech, or favoring of any particular non-commercial message over any other non-commercial message. This provision prevails over any more specific provision to the contrary. This provision does not create a right to increase the total amount of **sign area** permitted on a **lot**.
- H. Outdoor Recreational Facilities. **Outdoor recreational facilities** are exempt from this Section except that:
1. any **sign** erected on the **lot** of an **outdoor recreation facility** shall be subject to the prohibition of **non-static signs** set forth in Section 608.3.D, the requirements of Section 608.2.D ("Clear Vision & Movement"), and the requirements of Section 608.2.E ("Maintenance");
 2. all **signs** shall be principally oriented towards the playing field or seating areas, except that one (1) sign having a **sign area** of no greater than thirty (30) square feet may be permitted without such restriction; and
 3. one (1) **digital sign** is allowed per **outdoor recreation facility** provided that the **digital sign** is principally oriented towards the playfield or seating

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132 area, and provided that a building permit is obtained in accordance with
133 Section 608.2.B (“Building Permit Required”). Such **sign** shall be
134 illuminated only during an activity or event taking place on the field, and
135 shall have no greater than 102 square feet of **sign area** and, if
136 **freestanding**, a height of no greater than twelve (12) feet.

608.3 Prohibited Signs.

The following are prohibited:

- 142 A. **Off-premise signs**, except as may be permitted per Sections 608.6.A.1 and 2. A
143 **sign advertising** an on-site use that has ceased operation or vacated the **lot** shall
144 be considered an **off-premise sign** after a period of 180 consecutive days
145 following the discontinuance of the use and shall be removed as required by
146 Section 608.8.C.3.
- 148 B. **Signs** located within **public streets**, or **rights of way** except as set forth in Section
149 608.4.A.5.b (projecting signs in the CB and LD Districts) and Section 608.6.A.5
150 (**sandwich board sign** regulations) and as may otherwise be allowed pursuant to
151 Chapter 152 (“Streets and Sidewalks”) of the Code of the City of Lebanon.
- 153 B. **Illumination of signs** except as may be permitted by and in accordance with
154 Section 608.4.A.6 (“Illumination”).
- 156 C. **Non-static signs**, except **digital signs** as may be permitted according to Section
157 608.2.H.3 and Section 608.4.A.7 (“Freestanding Digital Signs”).
- 159 D. **Portable signs**, except **temporary signs** as may permitted by Section 608.6
160 (“Temporary Signs”).
- 162 E. Feather flags, balloons, inflatables, pennants, ribbons, streamers, and spinners or
163 other similar devices which may move or swing as a result of wind pressure,
164 whether part of a **sign** or not, except as may be permitted by Section 608.6
165 (“Temporary Signs”).
- 167 F. **Signs** of a size, location, movement, coloring, or manner of illumination which may
168 be confused with or construed as a traffic control device or which hide from view
169 any traffic or street **sign** or signal.
- 171 G. **Roof signs.**
- 173 H. Laser displays.

608.4 Non-Residential Uses.

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177 A. Non-Residential Uses in Commercial and Industrial Districts. Signage for non-
178 residential uses in the **commercial** and **industrial districts** shall be subject to the
179 following requirements:

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181 1. Maximum Permitted Sign Area.

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183 a. Sign Area for a single occupant Principal Building. The maximum **sign**
184 **area** permitted for a **principal building** is the greater of either:

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186 i. the product of the following formula: [linear width, or **frontage**,
187 of the **principal facade** in feet] multiplied by 0.8 = [x] square
188 feet; or

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190 ii. the product of the following formula: [total area of the **principal**
191 **façade**] multiplied by .05 = [x] square feet.

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193 There is no limit on the number of individual **signs** that may be affixed
194 or attached to a **principal building** provided that the total **sign area** of
195 all such **signs** combined does not exceed the maximum permitted **sign**
196 **area** determined pursuant to the above formulas.

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198 b. Sign Area for Freestanding Signs. **Sign area** for **freestanding signs**
199 shall be determined pursuant to Section 608.4.A.4 and shall be allowed
200 in addition to the maximum permitted **sign area** for a **principal**
201 **building** determined pursuant to Section 608.4.A.1.a.

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203 c. Sign Area for Lots Having No Buildings. A **lot** without **buildings** may
204 display up to 15 square feet of **sign area**.

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206 d. Strip Plazas and Multi-Tenant Buildings. For purposes of calculating
207 maximum permitted **sign area per tenant** pursuant to Section
208 608.4.A.1.a, a **façade** of a **strip plaza** that faces interior to the **lot** may
209 be considered the **principal façade** in place of any other **principal**
210 **façade**. Each Tenant is allowed to have a maximum amount of signage
211 pursuant to the product of the following formula:

212 i. [linear width, or frontage, of the portion of the principal
213 facade occupied by the tenant in feet] multiplied by 0.8 = [x]
214 square feet; or

215 ii. [total area of the principal façade occupied by the tenant]
216 multiplied by .05 = [x] square feet.

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218 e. ~~Multi-Tenant Buildings.~~ The maximum **sign area** permitted for a **multi-**
219 **tenant building** in existence as of January 20, 2021 is the greater of
220 either:
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- 222 i. ~~the total **sign area** allowed pursuant to Section 608.4.A.1.a; or~~
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224 ii. ~~the total **sign area** of all existing legal **signs** on the **building** as~~
225 ~~of January 20, 2021. For any vacant tenant spaces as of~~
226 ~~January 20, 2021, the **sign area** utilized by the immediate prior~~
227 ~~tenant may be included in the calculation of permitted **sign area**~~
228 ~~under this subsection.~~
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230 f. Multiple Principal Facades. Where a **building** has multiple **principal**
231 **facades**, the each **facades** or **tenant occupied portion thereof** may be
232 combined for purposes of calculating the maximum permitted shall not
233 exceed the permissible **sign area** per Sections 608.4.A.1.a or
234 608.4.A.1d.
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236 g. Window Signs: Each business having windows shall not cover more
237 than twenty-five (25) percent of the glass area of each window with
238 signage/advertising and are subject to the following:
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240 i. Animated illumination or effects, electronic, blinking,
241 flashing, and/or scrolling window signs shall be prohibited.
242 ii. Illuminated signs shall conform to the performance
243 requirements of 608.4.A.6 Illumination.
244 iii. Window sign square footage does not count to the sign area
245 calculation of a façade or tenant occupied portion thereof
246 per sections 608.4.A.1.a or 608.4.A.1d.
247 iv. Window signs do not require a sign permit.
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249 2. Sign Types Permitted. The following **sign** types are permitted in the
250 **commercial** and **industrial districts**:
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252 a. **wall signs**;
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254 b. **freestanding signs**;
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256 c. **projecting signs**; and
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258 d. **Window signs**
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260 3. Wall Signs. **Wall signs** in the **commercial** and **industrial districts** shall
261 be subject to the following regulations:
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263 a. One or more **wall signs** may be displayed on any wall of any principal
264 **building** on a **lot**, provided that the total **sign area** displayed on any

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265 single **building** wall is limited to the total **sign area** that would be
266 permitted for that wall based on the formula set forth in Section
267 608.4.A.1.a, whether or not it is a **principal façade**.

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- 269 b. The **sign area** of a **wall sign** may not exceed 100 square feet.
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- 271 c. **Wall signs** shall not extend above the highest point of the main roof or
272 **parapet** of the **building** or be affixed to a **parapet** more than four feet
273 above the roof of the **building**.

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275 4. Freestanding Signs. A **lot** in the **commercial** and **industrial districts** may
276 display one **freestanding sign** subject to the following regulations:

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- 278 a. Sign Area and Height Regulations.
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- 280 i. **Freestanding signs** must comply with the dimensions set forth
281 in the following table:

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	Zoning District						
Maximum	<u>GC & GC-1</u>	<u>CB</u>	<u>LD</u>	<u>IND-L</u>	<u>IND-RA</u>	<u>IND-H</u>	<u>MC 2</u>
height	25 ft.	12 ft.	12 ft.	12 ft.	12 ft.	12 ft.	12 ft.
sign area	64 sq. ft.	32 sq. ft.	24 sq. ft.	64 sq. ft.	64 sq. ft.	64 sq. ft.	64 sq. ft.

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286 ii. Strip Plazas and Multi-Tenant Buildings. A **freestanding sign**
287 for a property improved with a **strip plaza** or **multi-tenant**
288 **building** may exceed the maximum **sign area** set forth in
289 Section 608.4.A.4.a.i by up to 50 percent, except in the CB and
290 LD Districts.

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292 iii. Height. For purposes of measuring the height of a **freestanding**
293 **sign**, height shall mean the vertical distance measured from
294 grade at the edge of the adjacent right-of-way to the highest
295 point of the **sign** structure.

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297 iv. The size of a **freestanding sign** may exceed the maximum
298 **sign area** set forth in Section 608.4.A.4.a.i by up to 15 percent
299 in order to accommodate numerals identifying the property
300 address or building address, or for a **freestanding sign** on a
301 property improved with a **strip plaza** or **multi-tenant building**,
302 by up to 15 percent in addition to the increase in **sign area**
303 allowed per Section 608.4.A.a.ii.

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305 b. Design Standards.

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- i. Landscaping. A landscaped area located around the base of a **freestanding sign** equal to two and one-half square feet for each square foot of **sign area**, is required for all **freestanding signs**. The landscaped area shall contain living landscape material consisting of native shrubs and/or annual or native perennial **ground cover** plants placed throughout the required landscape area and having a spacing of not greater than three (3) feet on center. Where appropriate, the planting of required deciduous or evergreen **trees** installed in a manner which frames or accents the **freestanding signs** structure is encouraged.
 - ii. Spacing. **Freestanding signs** must be spaced at least 150 feet apart on **public streets** with posted travel speeds under 40 miles per hour, and at least 300 feet apart on **public streets** with posted travel speeds of 40 miles per hour and over.
 - c. A PUD or **planned business park** may have a **freestanding sign**, which **sign** shall have a maximum size and height as set forth above and shall be subject to all other applicable regulations herein.
 - d. A lot within 100 feet of the Interstate 89 right-of-way with an existing **freestanding sign** that is legal non-conforming due to its height and which has a minimum height of 50 ft. may have one additional freestanding sign which shall have a maximum size and height as set forth above and shall be subject to all other applicable regulations.
 - e. Freestanding Digital Signs. **Freestanding Signs** may incorporate a **digital sign** subject to the following:
 - i. **Freestanding digital signs** are only allowed in the General Commercial (GC) district on properties with frontage on the following streets:
 - Mechanic Street
 - Miracle Mile
 - Plainfield Road
 - South Main Street
 - ii. No more than one (1) display per hour shall be allowed
 - iii. Displays shall contain static messages only

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- iv. **Freestanding Digital Signs** shall be programed to automatically freeze in a single display in the event of a malfunction or computer/system error.
 - v. The Planning and Development Department shall be provided with an on-call contact person and phone number for each **freestanding digital sign**. The contact person must have the ability and authority to make immediate modifications to the displays and lighting levels should the need arise.
 - vi. The **digital sign** and **freestanding digital sign** may be no larger than 50% of the **sign area** of the **freestanding digital sign**
 - vii. No **freestanding digital sign** may be located within one hundred (100) feet of a residential dwelling
 - viii. **Freestanding digital signs** shall operate with no more than 0.3 footcandles at the property line
 - ix. If a **freestanding digital sign** is located in the line of sight of a residential dwelling, such sign shall not operate at brightness levels of more than one-tenth (0.1) foot candles above ambient light levels (at measurement conditions) as measured to the nearest property line of the residential dwelling from the electronic sign.
5. Projecting Signs.
- a. GC District, GC-1 District, and Industrial Districts. Projecting signs in the GC District and the **industrial districts** shall be subject to the following regulations:
 - i. One or more **projecting signs** may be displayed on any wall of any **principal building** on a **lot** provided that the total **sign area** displayed on any single **building** wall is limited to the total **sign area** that would be permitted for that wall based on the formula set forth in Section 608.4.A.1.a, whether or not it is a **principal façade**.
 - ii. The **sign area** of a **projecting sign** shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet.

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- iii. **Projecting signs** shall project from the wall at an angle of ninety (90) degrees.
 - iv. **Projecting signs** shall not extend above the highest point of the main roof or **parapet** of the **building** nor be affixed to a **parapet** more than four (4) feet above the roof of the **building**.
 - b. CB and LD Districts. Because of **building coverage** and development density in the CB and LD Districts, businesses located therein may not be able to erect **freestanding signs** or **projecting signs** which do not hang over a public sidewalk. Thus, within the CB and LD Districts **projecting signs** may hang over a public sidewalk, subject to the following limitations:
 - v. A **building** may have no more than one such **projecting sign** for each **building** entrance which accesses a business located at sidewalk level.
 - vi. No such **projecting sign** shall be larger in size than twelve (12) square feet if used to advertise only one business or sixteen (16) square feet if used to advertise more than one business.
 - vii. No part of any such **projecting sign** or the fixture to which it is attached shall be lower in height than eight feet six inches (8 feet 6 inches) above the sidewalk nor higher than fifteen (15) feet from the sidewalk. However, in no case shall any part of such a **sign** or fixture be located above the bottom of the second floor window sill.
 - viii. No part of any such **projecting sign** or fixture to which it is attached shall project over a public sidewalk more than the greater of three (3) feet or fifty percent (50%) of the width of the public sidewalk, but in no case shall it extend more than six (6) feet over the sidewalk.
 - ix. Such **projecting signs** shall not have **internal illumination**.
 - 6. Illumination. **Signs** may have either **external illumination** or **internal illumination**, subject to the following:
 - a. Lighting Plan. An applicant for a permit to illuminate a **sign** must submit a plan to the Planning Department showing the illumination plan including the effect of the illumination on any other property that might be affected by the light.

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- b. External Illumination. The use of floodlights or spotlights used for the **external illumination** of **signs** shall be mounted above the **sign** targeted for lighting, and illumination shall be properly focused upon and confined to the area of the **sign**.
 - c. Internal Illumination. **Internal illumination** of **signs** shall be designed with an opaque background so that only the lettering, symbols (i.e. logos), or design shall appear to be lighted.
 - d. Maximum Luminance. An illuminated sign shall operate with no more than 0.3 fc at the property line.
 - e. Glare. Fixtures used to illuminate **signs** shall be located, aimed, and shielded so as to produce no glare, undue distraction, confusion or hazard to the surrounding area or to vehicular traffic. Glare shall not be perceptible to drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, and other passers-by within adjacent streets or rights-of-way.
 - f. Shielding. Any lighting fixture on a **sign** that is located within ten (10) feet of a **residential district**, or an existing residential use shall be (i) aimed away from the **residential district** or existing residential use; and (ii) shielded on the side closest to the **residential district** or existing residential use.
 - g. Hours of illumination. **Signs** may be illuminated any time between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. a sign may only be illuminated if and when the business is open to the public.

608.7 Signs Allowed Without a Building Sign Permit.

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The following signs (1) are allowed in addition to any other sign permitted by this Section, (2) do not require a **building Sign Permit**, and (3) are exempt from the requirements of this Section except for the prohibition of non-static signs set forth in Section 608.3.C, the requirements of Section 608.2.D (“Clear Vision & Movement”), and the requirements of Section 608.2.E (“Maintenance”):

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A. Temporary signs allowed pursuant to Section 608.6.

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B. Any sign erected and maintained by the federal government, the State of New Hampshire, the Lebanon School District or the City of Lebanon in order to effectuate a substantial government interest.

C. Signs that are an important component of measures necessary to protect the public safety and serve the compelling governmental interest of protecting traffic and pedestrian safety, complying with legal requirements, serving the requirements of emergency response, and protecting property rights or the rights of persons on property; specifically, the following:

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482 1. Traffic control devices and pavement markings installed and maintained to
483 comply with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices or other transportation
484 management guidelines adopted by the New Hampshire Department of
485 Transportation.

486 2. A lot with multiple driveways may display one directional sign at each entrance
487 or exit in order to ensure safe and efficient vehicular movement. Such signs may
488 not be more than two (2) square feet on two-lane streets or rights-of-way and on
489 any street with a posted travel speed under 35 miles per hour, and not more than
490 four (4) square feet on multi-lane streets or on any street with a posted travel speed
491 over 35 miles per hour.

492 D. Window signs pursuant to section 608.4.A.1.g

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494 608.8 Fees

495 A. The City Council shall establish a per square foot sign permit fee in § 68-15.A
496 Enumeration of fees Zoning.

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498 Add to Definitions:

499 **Window sign:** Any sign that is affixed to the interior or exterior of the window or
500 windowpanes or within five (5) feet of the interior of the window or windowpanes and is
501 visible from the exterior of the structure.

Amendment 15
Pattern Zones Overlay District
From: Zoning Staff

1 The purpose of the proposed changes to the Pattern Zones Overlay District is to give the residents
2 who want to participate in the program more choice. The approved ordinance required residents to
3 use the Plan Book, but several issues come up with in the first few months of approval that made
4 staff realize there needed to be more options to allow the participants to build what that want. The
5 proposed amendment will still offer a Plan Book but gives a second option for those wishing to use
6 their own designs. The second option allows participants to get their own plans approved through
7 the Heritage Commission by following design guidelines. Also, the draft Plan Book from the
8 consulting firm does not incorporate any 3 or 4 family structures, which we allow in the Pattern
9 Zones Overlay district with a Special Exception.

10 Section: 411 Pattern Zones Overlay District

11 Section 411.1 Purpose

12 The purpose of the Pattern Zone overlay district is to create additional housing that fits the
13 character of the existing neighborhood in Downtown Lebanon and Downtown West Lebanon, to
14 establish and preserve the characteristics of the historical downtown areas of Lebanon and West
15 Lebanon, and to increase density and housing choices in the district.

16 Section 411.2 Description of Pattern Zones Overlay District

17 The areas and boundaries of the Pattern Zone Overlay District are shown on the Pattern Zone
18 Overlay District Map of the City of Lebanon and made a part of this Ordinance and the Official
19 Zoning Map of the City of Lebanon. The Pattern Zone Overlay District Map is attached hereto as
20 Appendix D.

21 Section 411.3 Permitted Uses

22 The Overlay District regulations are intended to only be used for uses allowed within the Pattern
23 Zone Overlay District Table of Uses Table of Uses. Any nonresidential uses shall adhere to
24 regulations set forth in Article III based on the underlying zoning district.

25 Pattern Zone Overlay District Table of Uses

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Permitted Uses	Special Exception
Residential: 1. Up to 2 One-Family Detached Dwellings 2. Two-Family Dwelling 3. Accessory Dwelling Unit per Section 610 Commercial/Non-Residential 1. Any listed in the Base Zoning District pursuant to Article III.	Residential: 1. Tri-Plex (3 units) 2. Quad-plex (4 units) 3. Townhouses / Rowhomes up to 4 units Commercial/Non-Residential: 1. Any listed in the Base Zoning District pursuant to Article III.
	Conditional Use Permit
	Residential: 1. Cottage Development per Section 509 with a minimum 20,000 sq ft lot

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28 Section 411.4 Table of Areas, Dimensions, and Coverage

Minimum Lot Requirements					Maximum Limitations	
Area	Frontage	Front Yard	Side Yard	Rear Yard	Lot Coverage % of impervious surface	Height
4,000 sq ft	40' on lot that abuts a street; 15' on a flag shaped lot* and; 0' if on rear split lot *Pursuant to 411.6	10' OR pursuant to 411.11 Front Yard	5' / 7.5' (side of structure on a street frontage)	10'	60% 80% with special exception pursuant to 411.8	45'

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30 Section 411.5 Parking

31 A minimum of one on-site parking space per dwelling unit is required.

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33 Section 411.6 Creating New Lots in the Overlay District

- 34 A. Notwithstanding underlying zoning districts, new lots within the overlay may be created
35 utilizing the overlay lot dimensional requirements.
- 36 B. Creating a flag lot split shall provide 15' of frontage and meet the minimum lot area
37 requirements.
- 38 1. Front yard setback requirements shall begin at the point where the lot widens.
- 39 C. The creation of a rear lot without the street frontage required by RSA 674:41 may only be
40 approved if all of the following conditions are met:
- 41 1. A perpetual deeded easement in favor of the rear lot to use a driveway across a
42 lot which does have legally-sufficient frontage and identifying maintenance
43 responsibilities shall be submitted with the application for approval by the
44 Planning Board. If the subdivision is approved, the execution and recording of
45 the easement in the registry of deeds shall be a condition of approval.
- 46 2. The driveway shall be shown on the subdivision plan.
- 47 3. The Planning Board shall determine that the driveway is sufficient for access to
48 the rear lot.

49 Section 411.7 Shading and Buffers

- 50 A. Preservation of a property's existing trees is encouraged to maintain a natural shade canopy
51 upon the property.
- 52 B. Properties shall be landscaped to achieve a minimum of 30% **shade coverage**.
- 53 C. New houses located with the minimum 5' side yard setback from a property line must have a
54 vegetative buffer.

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56 Section 411.8 Impervious Cover

- 57 A. Within the overlay district, impervious cover shall be limited as follows:
- 58 1. The maximum impervious cover shall be up to 60% by right.
- 59 2. Maximum impervious cover up to 80% may be permitted by Special Exception pursuant
60 to Section 801.3.
- 61 3. For purposes of this overlay district impervious cover shall be defined as: A structure or
62 land surface with a low capacity for infiltration, including but not limited to pavement, roofs,
63 roadways, and compacted soils, that has a Curve Number of 98 or greater.

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- 64 4. Impervious cover determinations when in question shall be made by the City Engineer.
- 65 B. An applicant for a Special Exception to allow impervious cover up to 80% shall meet the criteria
66 of Section 801.3 in addition to the following:
- 67 1. A stormwater management plan shall be provided to the Board. The plan must
68 demonstrate that all stormwater is managed and treated onsite with a preference for low
69 impact development stormwater management methods. Applicants may tie into the City's
70 stormwater drain system as may be permitted by the City Code.

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72 Section 411.9 Snow, Garbage, Fuel Tanks

- 73 A. A snow storage plan shall be submitted with the application and, if approved, shall be a
74 condition of the approval.
- 75 B. Garbage/recycling receptacle storage plan shall be submitted with the application and, if
76 approved, shall be a condition of approval.
- 77 1. Garbage/recycling shall not be stored in the front yard of the property.
- 78 2. Applicable screening shall be provided.
- 79 3. If a dumpster is used then it shall be enclosed, stored on a hard surface and meet
80 screening requirements. A dumpster shall meet setback requirements, not interfere with
81 parking, be located in the rear or side yard and beyond the front line of the structure and
82 meet the setback requirements.

83 C. Exterior fuel storage within the overlay shall:

- 84 1. Meet all zoning setback requirements.
- 85 2. Fuel storage tanks shall be located within the side or rear yard.
- 86 3. Underground fuel storage may be located in the front, side or rear yard provided they
87 meet the required yard setbacks.
- 88 4. Above ground fuel tanks may not be located in the front yard

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90 Section 411.10 ~~Pattern Book Requirements~~ Design Requirements

91 ~~The architectural plan for a building within the overlay pursuant to these requirements shall be~~
92 ~~selected from the Pattern Zones Book (a catalog of preapproved house plans available through the~~
93 ~~Lebanon Planning and Development Department from 2025-2028).~~

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- 94 A. Design Characteristics make sure any new development matches the existing
95 neighborhood. The following requirements should be followed:
96 1. Site changes, such as buildings, driveways, and other new features must not alter the
97 historic character of a neighborhood.
98 2. The location of new construction must be considered carefully in order to follow height
99 and setbacks of existing buildings in the neighborhood.
100 3. New Construction must not destroy character-defining attributes or features of the
101 neighborhood.
102 4. New Construction must match the scale, size, massing, and architectural features of
103 existing buildings in the neighborhood.
104 5. The Relationship between the new construction and existing structures must be
105 protected. Existing buildings must not be isolated from one another by new
106 construction.
107 6. Garages must be located at least 5' behind the front line of the residential structure.
108 7. The applicant must provide evidence that their design matches the character of other
109 residential structures on the street.
110 8. Common Characteristics found in the Overlay District:
111 a. Pitched Roof
112 b. Street-facing primary entrance.
113 c. Front porch or stoop
114 d. Non-split-level designs
115 e. Clapboard, woodlap, vinyl, and/or shingle sidings, stone, and/or brick exteriors in
116 material and/or in appearance

117 B. Review of Projects

- 118 1. Using Pre-Approved Plan Sets
119 a. an applicant may use architectural plans in the "Plan Book" free of charge but is
120 required to apply for building permits, submit a site plan, and other materials as
121 required by the Zoning Official and the Building Official.
122 2. Projects Requiring a Special Exception or CUP.
123 a. Those residential projects requiring a Special Exception or CUP (Section 411.3) will
124 have to submit architectural drawings [designed by and stamped by a licensed New](#)
125 [Hampshire design professional](#) to be reviewed by the Heritage Commission
126 pursuant to Section 408.7. The Heritage Commission will use the criteria listed in
127 [Section 411.10.A to determine the appropriateness of the design and issue a](#)
128 [written recommendation to the Zoning Board or Planning Board for their](#)
129 [consideration of the Special Exception or Conditional Use Permit.](#)
130 3. If a property owner wishes to use an architecturally designed and stamped plan set
131 not listed in the plan book for a Permitted Use then [Heritage Commission approval and a](#)
132 [Special Exception from the Zoning Board of Appeals is required. The architecturally](#)

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133 [designed and stamped plan set and site plan shall be reviewed and deemed in](#)
134 [compliance with Section 411.10 Design Requirements by the Heritage Commission. The](#)
135 [Heritage Commission shall issue a written recommendation to the Zoning Board who shall](#)
136 [consider the plan set and site plan for a Special Exception.](#)

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138 Section 411.11 Front Yard

- 139 A. The required front yard may be reduced to the average front yard of the existing buildings on
140 the same side of the street in the same block and located within 300 feet of the subject lot,
141 provided that there are at least 2 such buildings. This reduction shall not be allowed for lots
142 fronting on a state highway.
- 143 B. On lots with more than one frontage on an indeterminate lot, the front yard will be
144 determined by the Zoning Administrator based on the orientation of the principal structure
145 on the lot. The corner side with frontage will be considered a side yard and have a setback
146 that is the average of the established front and side setbacks).
- 147 C. On lots with no frontage, the front yard is determined by the Building Official or Zoning
148 Administrator based on the orientation of the principal structure on the lot and the access
149 easement location.

150 Section 411.12 Approved Designs

- 151 A. [The Heritage Commission shall maintain a book of architecturally designed pre-approved](#)
152 [plans available for use by the people of Lebanon. Use of a pre-approved plan set shall](#)
153 [qualify for the enhanced zoning considerations under the pattern zones overlay district.](#)
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- 155 B. [Prerequisite to being listed as a preapproved plan a plan shall be:](#)
- 156 [a. Approved by the Heritage Commission.](#)
- 157 [b. Reviewed by and deemed compliant with New Hampshire State Building Code](#)
158 [requirements by the Chief Building Official.](#)
- 159 [a.c. Designed by and stamped by a New Hampshire licensed design professional.](#)

160 C. Submittal of Design for the Plan Book

161 [a. A design professional wishing to nominate a design for the plan book:](#)

162 [1. Prior to submission to the Heritage commission, submit a complete stamped](#)
163 [plan set for administrative review with Planning Department Staff and the Chief Building](#)
164 [Official and schedule a meeting to review the plans and discuss it compliance with the](#)
165 [design criteria and the building code.](#)

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166 2. Following administrative review, submit a complete stamped plan set, with
167 amendments as required by the administrative review, to the Heritage Commission for the
168 Commissions consideration.

169 b. The Heritage Commission will use criteria listed in Section 411.10.A. to make a
170 determination if the plan should be included in the Plan Book.

171 c. The Chief Building Official shall review the Heritage Commission approved plans for
172 Building Code compliance and attach notes to the plans as needed to deem it approved.

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174 **SHADE COVERAGE:** The percentage of land area covered by leaves, branches, and stems of
175 canopy/shade trees when viewed from above during the summer. New plantings should be
176 measured based on their size at maturity.

Amendment 16

Cottage Developments

From: Barrows Street Development Team and Staff

1 The purpose of this amendment is to allow greater flexibility for those wishing to build a Cottage
2 Development.

3 4 SECTION 509 COTTAGE DEVELOPMENTS.

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6 509.1 Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide opportunities for single family
7 housing that is small, energy-efficient, and affordable; to allow flexibility in site and
8 design standards while promoting projects that ensure compatibility with
9 surrounding land uses and existing neighborhoods; and to promote sustainability
10 and neighborhood interaction through integrated design.

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12 Cottage developments are intended to serve as part of the City's overall housing
13 strategy to encourage affordability, innovation and variety in housing design and
14 site development while ensuring compatibility with existing neighborhoods, and to
15 promote a variety of housing choices to meet the needs of a population diverse in
16 age, income, household composition and individual needs.

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18 509.2 Applicable Use Districts. **Cottage developments** are allowed by **conditional use**
19 on Class 1 lots in the Pattern Zones Overlay District, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-O, ~~and R-~~
20 O-1, GC-1 Districts, in accordance with Section 302.4.D and the requirements of
21 this section.

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23 509.3 Number and Arrangement of Units. ~~Cottage developments shall contain a~~
24 ~~minimum of three (3) and a maximum of sixteen (16) Cottages shall be~~, located
25 in one or more clusters to maximize efficiency of land use and to encourage a
26 sense of community among the residents. Each cluster shall include a minimum of
27 three (3) units and a maximum of sixteen (16) units.

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29 509.4 Lot Size. All **cottage developments** shall have a minimum lot area ~~of 20,000 sq.~~
30 ~~ft., except in the R-2 and R-3 District, where a minimum lot area of 40,000 sq. ft.~~
31 ~~shall be required—~~ specified in the underlying zoning district.

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33 509.5 Density and Building Coverage. ~~Permitted density shall be based on 2,500 sq. ft.~~
34 ~~of lot area per each cottage. The maximum permitted building coverage shall be~~
35 ~~35%. The maximum lot coverage shall be 60%. A lot coverage of 60%-80% by~~
36 special exception pursuant to Section 411.8.

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38 509.6 Design Standards. The following design standards are intended to define design
39 parameters to create a small community of cottages oriented around open space
40 and to achieve compatibility with adjacent uses.

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42 A. Individual Cottage Spaces. For each detached **cottage**, the site plan approved by
43 the Planning Board shall delineate a building site for each detached **cottage** of no
44 less than 1,500 sq. ft.

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- B. Detached Cottages. At least 50% of the **cottages** in the development shall be detached units. The remainder shall be duplexes or rowhomes.
- C. Interior Setbacks. The minimum setback between units within a **cottage development** shall be 10 feet, measured from the nearest point of the exterior walls.
- D. Common Open Space. A minimum of 400 square feet of common open space shall be provided per **cottage** and per cluster. The common open space area for each cluster shall be contiguous and shall abut all of the **cottages** in the cluster. **Cottages** shall be oriented around and have their main entry from the common open space.
- E. Roofs and Porches.
1. The highest point of the roof of the **cottage** shall not exceed 3024 feet.
 2. **Cottages** shall have an unenclosed, covered front primary entry and porch of at least 60 square feet in size. The front porch shall be oriented toward a common open space. The intent of this porch requirement is to create outdoor space in each **cottage** that is visually and physically connected to the common open space and to other **cottages**.
- ~~F. Parking Location and Screening Requirements.~~
- ~~1. Parking areas and driveways shall comply with applicable minimum yard requirements for the underlying zone.~~
 - ~~2. Parking areas shall be screened from public streets and adjacent residential uses by landscaping or architectural screening.~~
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H. ~~Street Facing Facades. All cottages within 50 feet of a public street shall have street facing facades that avoid blank walls in order to avoid the appearance of “turning their backs” to the street. For all such cottages, a minimum of 25 percent of the street facing façade shall be comprised of windows and/or glass doors.~~

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Care and Treatment of Animals

From: City Council and Staff

1 The purpose of this amendment is to give clarification on the different types of uses that were
2 included in the **Care and Treatment of Animals** definition. The proposed changes to the use
3 tables show where the different uses may be more appropriate than others.

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5 **CARE AND TREATMENT OF ANIMALS**: ~~A veterinary establishment, riding school or kennels.~~

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7 **ANIMAL CLINIC, ANIMAL HOSPITAL OR VETERINARY OFFICE**: ~~Any structure, or portion thereof,~~
8 ~~that is designed or used for the medical or surgical treatment of animals in which veterinary~~
9 ~~services, including Boarding incidental to treatment, are limited to short term care. Grooming~~
10 ~~maybe provided.~~

11 **Animal Boarding Facility**: ~~a facility where domesticated pets are cared for daily or overnight on a~~
12 ~~temporary bases at the request of the owner.~~

13 **Kennels**: ~~any establishment wherein or whereupon the business of boarding or selling dogs or~~
14 ~~breeding dogs for sale is carried on, except for a pet shop~~

15 **Horse Stable**: ~~Facility that includes large animal enclosures, barns, riding arenas, corrals,~~
16 ~~paddocks, and pens used for the raising, training, rehabilitation, and riding of horses for~~
17 ~~commercial purposes.~~

18 **Riding Facility**: ~~an establishment where horsemanship and riding is taught.~~

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31 SECTION 303 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (IND-L).
 32 303.2 Table of Uses.
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<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Airport 2. Bus terminal 3. Essential service 4. Equipment and machinery sales, rental and service 5. Group day care facility per Section 604 6. Health club 7. Light industry 8. Local government use 9. Outdoor storage per Section 303.4 (less than 20%) 10. Plumbing, electrical or carpentry shop 11. Publishing/printing 12. Research laboratory 13. Renewable energy system per Section 612 14. Retail product pickup 15. Retail showroom per Section 303.5 (less than 10%) 16. Trucking terminal 17. Warehouse 18. <u>Animal Clinic, Hospital, or Veterinary Office</u> <u>Planned Developments</u> 19. Industrial PUD per Section 501 20. Planned business park per Section 508	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Care and treatment of animals 2.1. Contractor's yard 3.2. Educational facility, college/university 4.3. Educational facility, vocational school 5.4. Recovery Houses <div style="text-align: center;"><u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit</u> (see Section 302.4)</div> <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Car wash 2. Inpatient rehabilitation facility 3. Office 4. Outdoor storage per Section 303.4 (more than 20%) 5. Retail showroom per Section 303.5 (between 10-20%) 6. Vehicular sales 7. <u>Animal Boarding Facility</u>

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37 SECTION 305 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (GC).

38 305.2 Table of Uses.

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<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
<u>Residential</u> 1. Dwelling unit(s) above first floor 2. Multi-family dwelling (see Section 305.5)	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Alternative treatment center per Section 613 2. Bus terminal 3. Educational facility, college/university 4. Essential service 5. Truck terminal 6. Recovery Houses
<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 3. Amusements (indoor) 4. Car wash 5. Community center 6. Drive-in restaurant, refreshment stand 7. Drive-through facility 8. Drycleaning pick-up station 9. Financial institution 10. Funeral home 11. Group day care facility per Section 604 12. Health club 13. Hotel 14. House of worship 15. Laundromat 16. Local government use 17. Membership club 18. Motel 19. Movie theater 20. Office 21. Personal service 22. Publishing/printing 23. Radio or TV studio 24. Recreational facility, indoor	<u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit</u> (see Section 302.4)
	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Care and treatment of animals 2.1. Contractor's yard 3.2. Craftsman's shop 4.3. Plumbing, electrical or carpentry shop 5.4. Produce stand 6.5. Recreational facility, outdoor 7.6. Warehouse 8.7. Wholesale sales 8. Research Laboratory 9. Animal Clinic, Hospital, Veterinary Office 9.10. Animal Boarding Facility <u>Planned Developments</u>

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25. Renewable energy system per Section 612	40.11. Commercial PUD per Section 501
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70 SECTION 306 CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (CB).

71 306.2 Table of Uses.

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<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
<u>Residential</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dwelling unit(s) above first floor 2. Multi-family dwelling (see Section 306.5) 3. Senior housing complex 	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Craftsman’s shop 2. Drive-through facility 3. Educational facility, college/university 4. Recovery Houses
<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Amusements (indoor) 5. Community center 6. Drycleaning pick-up station 7. Financial institution 8. Group day care facility per Section 604 9. Funeral home 10. Health club 11. Hotel 12. House of worship 13. Laundromat 14. Library 15. Local government use 16. Membership club 17. Motel 18. Museum 19. Office 20. Personal service 21. <u>Animal Clinic, Hospital, Veterinary Office</u> 	<u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit</u> (see Section 302.4)
	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Essential service 2. Other uses per Section 306.4 3. Parking facility 4. Publishing/printing 5. Recreational facility, indoor 6. Recreational facility, outdoor 7. <u>Animal Boarding Facility</u> <u>Planned Developments</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Commercial PUD per Section 501

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75 SECTION 305A GENERAL COMMERCIAL ONE DISTRICT (GC-1).
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<u>Residential</u> 1. Multi-family dwelling (see Section 305A.4) <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 2. Dwelling unit(s) above first floor 3. Essential service 4. Financial institution 5. Group day care facility per Section 604 6. Office 7. Personal service 8. Renewable energy system per Section 612 9. <u>Animal Clinic, Hospital, or Veterinary Office</u>	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Alternative treatment center per Section 613 2. Drycleaning pick-up station 3. Educational facility, college/university 4. Inpatient rehabilitation facility 5. Light industry 6. Research laboratory 7. Restaurant , sandwich shop 8. Retail store 9. Research Laboratory 9-10. <u>Animal Boarding Facility</u> <u>Planned Developments</u> 10-11. Commercial PUD per Section 501 11-12. Manufactured Housing PURD per Section 504

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85 SECTION 311A RESIDENTIAL-OFFICE-ONE DISTRICT (R-O-1).
 86 311A.2 Table of Uses.
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<p><u>Residential</u></p> <p>22. One-family dwelling</p> <p>23. Two-family dwelling</p> <p>24. Multi-family dwelling (4 dwelling units or less) per Section 601</p> <p>25. Accessory dwelling unit (ADU) per Section 610</p> <p><u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u></p> <p>26. Construction of new office building (3,000 sq. ft. or less) per Section 601</p> <p>27. Conversion of a dwelling to office use per Section 601</p> <p>28. Financial institution</p> <p>29. Group day care facility per Section 604</p> <p>30. Home business per Section 600</p> <p>31. House of worship</p> <p>32. Personal service</p> <p>33. Renewable energy system per Section 612</p> <p>34. <u>Animal Clinic, Hospital, Veterinary Office</u></p> <p><u>Planned Developments</u></p> <p>35. PURD per Section 501</p>	<p><u>Residential</u></p> <p>5. Multi-family dwelling (5 dwelling units or more) per Section 601</p> <p>6. Senior housing complex</p> <p><u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u></p> <p>7. Construction of new office building (3,001 sq. ft. – 6,000 sq. ft.) per Section 601</p> <p>8. Educational facility, college/university</p> <p>9. Educational facility, primary/secondary</p> <p>10. Essential service</p> <p>11. Funeral home</p> <p>12. Group residence</p> <p>13. Health club</p> <p>14. Hospice</p> <p>15. Lodging house</p> <p>16. Public safety facility</p> <p>17. Recreational facility, indoor</p> <p>18. Recreational facility, outdoor</p> <p>19. Tourist home (or bed and breakfast facility)</p>

Amendment 17
 Care and Treatment of Animals
 From: City Council and Staff

	<u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit</u> <u>(see Section 302.4)</u>
	<u>Residential</u> 1. Cottage development per Section 509 2. <u>Animal Boarding Facility</u>

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From: City Council and Staff

120 SECTION 312 RURAL LANDS ONE DISTRICT (RL-1).
 121 312.2 Table of Uses.
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<u>Residential</u> 1. One-family dwelling 2. Accessory dwelling unit (ADU) per Section 610 <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Agriculture 2. Home business per Section 600 3. House of worship 4. Public education facility 5. Public recreation facility 6. Renewable energy system per Section 612 <u>Planned Developments</u> 7. Manufactured housing park per Section 503 8. Manufactured housing PURD per Section 504 9. PRec per Section 501 10. PURD per Section 501	<u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 1. Care and treatment of animals 2.1. Cemetery 3.2. Essential service 4.3. Group day care facility per Section 604 5.4. Home-based contractor's yard per Section 600A 6.5. Radio or TV tower or other communication equipment 7.6. Recreational camping park per Section 505 8.7. Recreational facility, indoor 98. Recreational facility, outdoor 9. Animal Clinic, Hospital, or Veterinar Office 10. Animal Boarding Facility 11. Kennels 12. Horse Stable 13. Riding Facility

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From: City Council and Staff

138 Section 314 Rural Lands Three District (RL-3)
 139 314.2 Table of Uses.
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<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u><i>Special Exception Uses</i></u> (see Section 801.3)
<u>Residential</u> 1. Accessory use to any one-family dwelling <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 2. Agriculture 3. Home business per Section 600 4. Public recreation facility 5. Renewable energy system per Section 612 <u>Planned Developments</u> 6. PRec per Section 501 7. PURD per Section 501	<u>Residential</u> 1. One-family dwelling 2. Accessory dwelling unit (ADU) per Section 610 <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 3. Cemetery 4. Essential service 5. Home-based contractor's yard per Section 600A 6. Radio or TV tower or other communication equipment 7. Recreational camping park per Section 505 8. Recreational facility, indoor 9. Recreational facility, outdoor 10. <u>Riding Facility</u> 11. <u>Horse Stable</u> 12. <u>Kennels</u>

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Amendment 18

Zoning Amendment Application and Notice Fees

From: Zoning Staff

1 The purpose of this amendment is to place the burden of petitioned amendments on to
2 the petitioner and allow the City to recoup fees associated with petitioned amendments.

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4 1000.2 Source of Proposed Amendments.

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6 Amendments may be proposed as follows:

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8 A. From the City Council at any time.
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10 B. From the City Council upon request by any Board or City official when the Council
11 decides that it is appropriate to go forward with such amendment.
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13 C. By petition of any number of voters, provided however, that unless the petition is
14 submitted utilizing the “Citizens Binding Initiative” procedure contained in Section
15 419:23a of the Lebanon City Charter, it will be within the sole discretion of the City
16 Council as to whether or not to proceed in any way with the requested amendment.
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18 D. A petitioned amendment submitted under Paragraph C above may be filed at any
19 time. However, if a petition not meeting the requirements for the Citizens Binding
20 Initiative procedure is submitted between August 1 and October 1 of any year, the
21 Council shall put the proposed amendment on its agenda and determine, prior to
22 December 1 of that year, whether or not to schedule the amendment for review
23 and hearing pursuant to Section 1000.3. The purpose of this paragraph is to enable
24 the potential filing of a Citizens Binding Initiative petition in time for the following
25 March election, in the event the Council determines not to proceed with review and
hearing.

26 1. The petitioner shall bear the responsibility of presenting the amendment
27 throughout the process described in Section 1000.3

28 2. The Petitioner shall pay RSA 675:7 notice fees and other applicable fees

29 3. City Council shall establish a Petitioner application fee in § 68-15
30 Enumeration of fees.

- 31 E. The Zoning Administrator may request persons submitting an amendment for any
32 additional information as may be necessary to put the proposal in a form consistent
33 with the remainder of the Ordinance and capable of being acted upon.

Amendment 19
Miscellaneous Definitions – Appendix A
From: Zoning Staff and State Law Conformance

1 **A. Definition of “Lot Width”:**
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3 **“LOT WIDTH:** The distance measured across the rear line of the required *front yard* providing that
4 at least ~~22~~ **20** feet exist along the *street line*.”

5 The reasoning behind changing the definition of "lot width" is to align with the City's Driveway
6 Regulations (adopted by the Planning Board) which require a minimum driveway width of 12 ft.,
7 with 5 ft. setbacks from the lot lines on either side of the driveway. Lot width is relevant for zoning
8 districts that require minimum *lot width* rather than minimum *frontage*. These include the R-1, R-2,
9 R-3, R-O, R-O-1, and PB Districts. Requiring a minimum "width" in lieu of minimum "frontage" allows
10 the creation of "flag lots" or "back lots" in these districts. For reference, an example of a "flag lot"
11 (located on Bank Street) is outlined in blue in the image below:
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15 **B. Definition of “Agriculture”:**
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17 ~~“**AGRICULTURE:** Any area of land, including structures thereon, that is used for agricultural~~
18 ~~purposes including forestry. This includes the raising of cows, horses, pigs, poultry and other~~
19 ~~livestock; horticulture and orchards; logging of a forest, woodland or plantation; selling of products~~
20 ~~grown or raised directly on such land; and the building, altering or maintaining of wood roads,~~
21 ~~agricultural roads, skidways, landings, fences, drainage systems and farm ponds. This term shall~~
22 ~~have the meaning as set forth in RSA 21:34-a, II.”~~

23 The reasoning behind changing the definition of “agriculture” is to ensure that Lebanon’s
24 agricultural-related zoning regulations can be effectively enforced in line with statutory
25 requirements. Specifically, NH RSA 674:32-a, provides that, “whenever agricultural operations or
26 activities **as defined in RSA 21:34-a** are not explicitly addressed with respect to any zoning district
27 or location, such operations or activities shall be deemed to be permitted there, as either a primary
28 or accessory use”. (emphasis added) Because the current definition of agriculture in Appendix A is
29 different than the statutory definition, agriculture **as defined in RSA 21:34-a** is currently a permitted

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Miscellaneous Definitions – Appendix A

From: Zoning Staff and State Law Conformance

30 use in every zoning district. As such, Lebanon's current agriculture-related zoning regulations are
31 effectively unenforceable and rendered moot by the statutory requirements. Updating the definition
32 of "agriculture" to match the statutory definition will allow Lebanon to continue restricting agricultural
33 uses to the zones where agriculture is identified as a permitted use (i.e. within the Rural Lands
34 Districts). The statutory definition of agriculture is included below for reference.

35 ***Statutory Definition of "Agriculture", RSA 21:34-a, II:***

- 36 II. The words "agriculture" and "farming" mean all operations or activities of a farm, including:
- 37 (a)(1) The cultivation, conservation, or tillage of the soil.
- 38 (2) The storage and use of or spreading of commercial fertilizer, lime, wood ash, sawdust,
39 compost, animal manure, septage, and, where permitted by municipal and state rules and
40 regulations, other lawful soil amendments.
- 41 (3) The use of or application of agricultural chemicals.
- 42 (4) The husbandry of livestock which shall include but not be limited to all beef or dairy cattle,
43 steer, oxen, goats, sheep, swine, horses, mules or other equidae, as well as domesticated strains of
44 buffalo, bison, llamas, alpacas, emus, ostriches, poultry, rabbits, yaks, elk (*Cervus canadensis*),
45 fallow deer (*Dama dama*), red deer (*Cervus elephus*), or reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*).
- 46 (5) The husbandry, boarding, training, or riding instruction of equines.
- 47 (6) The husbandry and harvesting aquaculture products including fresh or salt water finfish,
48 shellfish, or other aquatic organisms grown for consumption or processing.
- 49 (7) The husbandry of poultry or game birds or production of eggs.
- 50 (8) The husbandry of bees or production of honey.
- 51 (9) The husbandry of domesticated strains of fur-bearing animals.
- 52 (10) The production of greenhouse crops.
- 53 (11) The production, cultivation, growing, or harvesting of any agricultural, floricultural,
54 viticultural, forestry, or horticultural crops including, but not limited to, berries, herbs, honey,
55 maple syrup, fruit, vegetables, tree fruit, grapes, flowers, seeds, grasses, nursery stock, sod, trees
56 or tree products, Christmas trees grown as part of a commercial Christmas tree operation, trees
57 grown for short rotation tree fiber, compost, or any plant that can be legally grown or harvested
58 extensively for profit or subsistence.
- 59 (b) Any practice or activity on the farm incident to, ancillary to, or in conjunction with such
60 farming operations, including, but not necessarily restricted to:
- 61 (1) Preparation for market, delivery to storage or to market, or to carriers for transportation to
62 market of any products or materials from the farm.
- 63 (2) The transportation to the farm of supplies and materials.
- 64 (3) The transportation of farm workers.
- 65 (4) Forestry or lumbering operations.
- 66 (5) Marketing or selling at wholesale or retail, regardless of the manner or form of the transaction,
67 any livestock or products derived principally from the production of the farm, including, but not
68 limited to items listed in subparagraph (a), whether on-site or off-site, provided that marketing
69 such products is not specifically prohibited by local regulations. For the purposes of this section
70 marketing shall include agritourism, which means attracting visitors to a farm to attend events or

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Miscellaneous Definitions – Appendix A
From: Zoning Staff and State Law Conformance

- 71 activities that are accessory uses to the primary farm operation, including, but not limited to,
72 being provided a meal, making overnight stays, enjoyment of the farm environment, education
73 which shall be instruction or learning about the farm's operations, or active involvement in the
74 activities of the farm.
- 75 (6) Irrigation of growing crops from private water supplies or public water supplies where not
76 prohibited by state or local rule or regulation.
- 77 (7) The use of dogs for herding, working, or guarding livestock, as defined in RSA 21:34-a,
78 II(a)(4).
- 79 (8) The production and storage of compost and the materials necessary to produce compost,
80 whether such materials originate, in whole or in part, from operations of the farm.

Amendment 20

Impact Fees

From: Zoning Staff

1 The impact fee changes proposed will serve two purposes. Eliminate the contradictory language
2 in the Ordinance for dwelling units below 500 sq. ft. and to close the “basement loophole. The
3 500 sq. ft. contradiction says in one place in the text that no impact fees are due and in another
4 that school impact fees can be waived. Eliminating the complete exemption language as
5 proposed will ensure that Fire, Police, and Recreation impact fees will be collected for smaller
6 units. Second is the closing of the “basement loophole” currently only the area of a new home
7 that is “above grade” Is included in the square footage calculations for impact fees. A walk-out
8 basement and potentially finished basement would not be charged impact fees despite the fact
9 that they are clearly part of the Gross Living Area. Finally, there is no sunset on the fee
10 exemption for acts of nature or the replacement of a manufactured home. We proposed a time
11 limit of two years which matches the same limits in the non-conformity section of the ordinance.
12 There will be impact fee revenue enhancement that results from these changes.

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14 SECTION 213 IMPACT FEES.

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16 E. Development means an activity that results in:

- 17 (1) The creation of a new **dwelling unit** or units or new **manufactured housing**; or
18 (2) The conversion of a legally existing use, or additions thereto, which would result in a net
19 increase in the number of **dwelling units**; or
20 (3) Construction resulting in a new non-residential **building** or a net increase in the **gross floor**
21 **area** of any non-residential **building**; or
22 (4) The conversion of a lawful existing use to another use if such change would result in a net
23 increase in the demand on public capital facilities that are the subject of impact fee assessment.
24 (5) A net increase in a residential building’s gross floor area greater than 500 square feet.

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26 Notwithstanding the above, new development shall not include:

- 27 ~~a. The creation of any new studio or one-bedroom accessory dwelling unit with a~~
28 ~~gross living area of 500 sq. ft. or less;~~
29 a. The replacement of an existing **manufactured housing** unit or any
30 existing **dwelling unit** if replaced within 2-years; or
31 b. The reconstruction of a **structure** that has been destroyed by fire or natural
32 disaster if replaced within 2-years where there is no change in size, density,
33 or type of use that would increase the demand on capital facilities for which
34 impact fees are assessed.

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37 GROSS LIVING AREA: The total area of ~~above-grade~~ residential space within a dwelling unit as
38 measured using exterior building dimensions, with a ceiling height of 7 ft. or greater, excluding
39 unheated areas such as garages, enclosed or open porches, covered or open decks, outside
40 stairs, balconies, and other unenclosed areas. The floor area of a walk-out basement with a
41 ceiling height of 7 feet or greater shall be included.



18 September 2025

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Lebanon
51 North Park Street
Lebanon, NH 03766

Re: Request for Zoning Map Change

Dear Mayor and Councilors:

On behalf of Rock Ridge Lebanon, LLC, this letter is being written to request a change to the city zoning map to be part of the city's annual zoning review.

Request #1. Rezone parcels along Old Pine Tree Cemetery Road to R-3 (see attached "OPTCR").

The parcels involved include 117-17, 74-1-100, 74-1-200, and numerous Rock Ridge parcels. These parcels are adjacent to the existing R-3 zoned parcels at the westerly end of OPTCR. This request seeks to extend the R-3 zone approximately 4,000' easterly to the southerly property line of Rock Ridge. The parcels proposed for re-zoning are currently zoned RL-2.

The current RL-2 zoning allows for 1Ac lots. The proposed R-3 zoning allows 0.25Ac lots. By placing the zone line 500' from OPTCR an additional 200 homes could be allowed. Under the Rock Ridge subdivision approval and the Homeowners Association documents, only 148 units can be built on the site, if zoning allows. This constraint ensures the city that an excessive amount of homes will not be built. However, this proposal fills the need for this type of housing that is missing and desperately needed to retain workers.

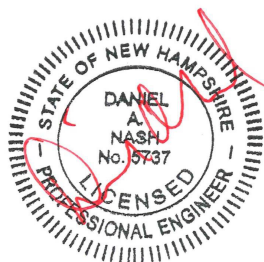
Changing the zoning for these parcels would allow for more single family homes and not cause the potential for harmful impacts from development.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Nash, PE
Principal

Attachments:

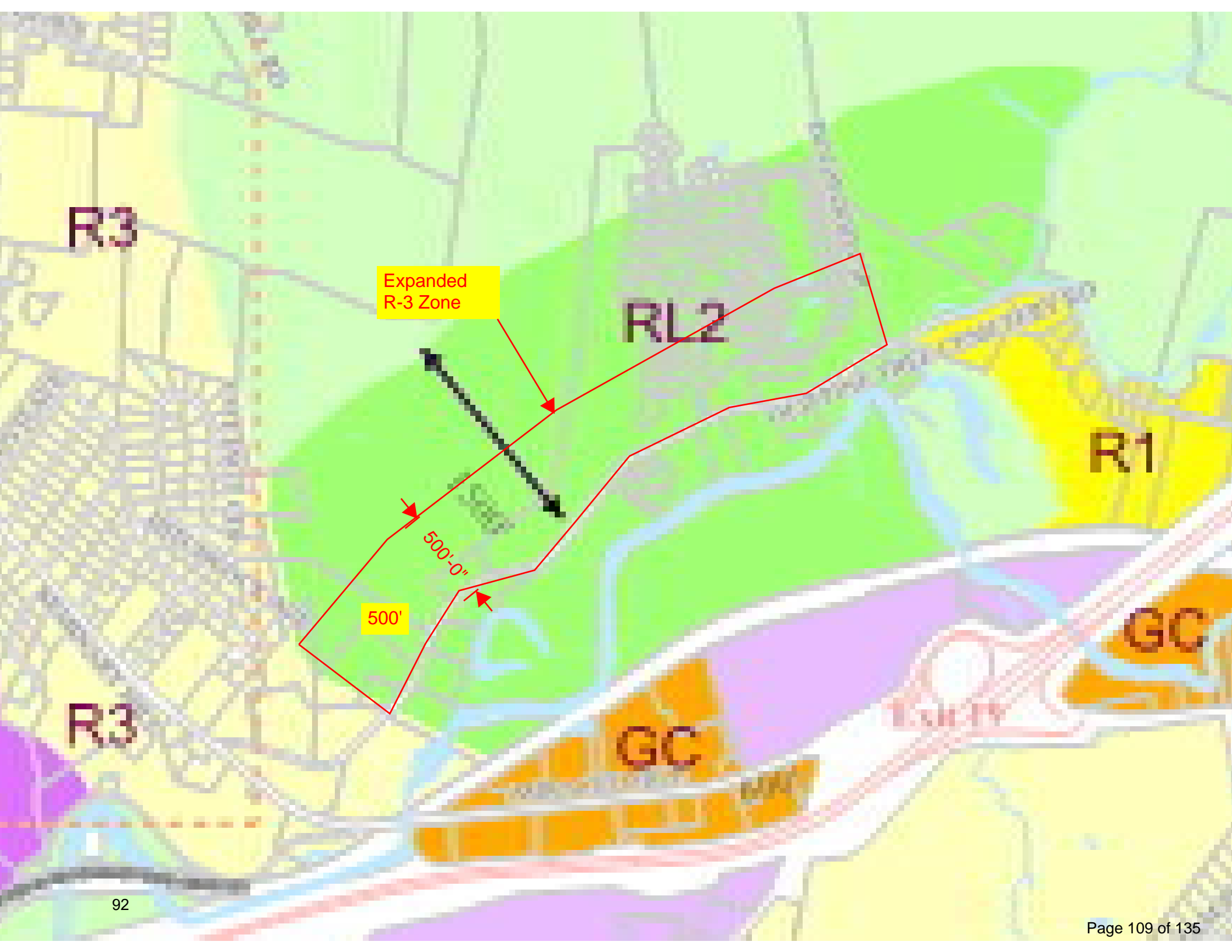


City Council
Request for Zoning Change
18Sep2025

-OPTCR
-R-3
-RL-1, 2, &3

CC: Don Hirst

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SECTION 310 RESIDENTIAL THREE DISTRICT (R-3).

310.1 Purpose.

The purpose of the R-3 District is to provide areas primarily for single family residential neighborhoods.

310.2 Table of Uses.

<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
<u>Residential</u> 1. One-family dwelling 2. Accessory dwelling unit (ADU) per Section 610 <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 3. Home business per Section 600 4. Home-based agricultural business per Section 600B.2 (lots 5 acres or more) and per Section 600B.3 (lots greater than 10 acres) 5. Home-based agricultural business per Section 600B.3.A (5–10 acre lots) 6. Home-based agricultural business per Section 600B.3.B (10+ acre lots) 7. Hospital 8. House of worship 9. Public education facility 10. Public recreation facility 11. Public safety facility 12. Renewable energy system per Section 612 <u>Planned Developments</u> 13. PURD per Section 501	<u>Residential</u> 1. Two-family dwelling by conversion of existing one-family dwelling 2. Senior housing complex <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 3. Cemetery 4. Essential service 5. Group day care facility per Section 604 6. Home-based agricultural business per Section 600B.2 (lots less than 5 acres) 7. Nursing home <div style="text-align: center;"><u>Uses by Conditional Use Permit</u> (see Section 302.4)</div> <u>Residential</u> 1. Cottage development per Section 509

310.3 Table of Area, Dimensions and Coverage.

Minimum Lot Size

Class	Area	Width	Maximum Height
1	10,000 sq.ft.	75'	35'
2	15,000 sq.ft.	75'	35'
3	40,000 sq.ft.	100'	35'

Minimum Yard

Class	Front	Side	Rear	Max. Building Coverage
1	20'	15'	20'	25%
2	20'	15'	20'	20%
3	25'	25'	30'	15%

310.4 Dwelling Unit Density.

For **senior housing complexes** and PURDs per Section 501.2 (“Planned Unit Residential Development (PURD)”), one (1) **dwelling unit** is permitted per each 10,000 sq. ft. of lot area. Density for **senior housing complexes** may be increased per Section 603 (“Senior Housing Complexes”).

SECTION 312 RURAL LANDS ONE DISTRICT (RL-1).

312.1 Purpose. The purpose of the RL-1 District is to provide areas of transition between the denser urban neighborhoods of the R Districts and the more sparsely settled and/or more environmentally sensitive RL-2 and RL-3 areas.

312.2 Table of Uses.

<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
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312.3 Table of Area, Dimensions and Coverage.

Minimum Lot Requirements						Maximum Limitations	
Class	Lot Area	Lot Frontage	Front Yard	Side Yard	Rear Yard	Height	Building Coverage
1 or 2	1 acre	150'	40'	25'	30'	35'	15%
3	3 acres (*)	150'	40'	25'	30'	35'	15%

*The minimum lot size may be reduced to an area not smaller than one (1) acres by application of the High Intensity Soils Mapping Standards (i.e. **HIS**) of Appendix B.

SECTION 313 RURAL LANDS TWO DISTRICT (RL-2).

313.1 Purpose.

The purpose of the RL-2 District is to provide land for low density, rural living.

313.2 Table of Uses.

<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
<p><u>Residential</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One-family dwelling 2. Accessory dwelling unit (ADU) per Section 610 <p><u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Agriculture 4. Home business per Section 600 5. House of worship 6. Public recreation facility 7. Renewable energy system per Section 612 <p><u>Planned Developments</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Manufactured housing park per Section 503 9. Manufactured housing PURD per Section 504 10. PRec per Section 501 11. PURD per Section 501 	<p><u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Care and treatment of animals 2. Cemetery 3. Essential service 4. Group day care facility per Section 604 5. Home-based contractor's yard per Section 600A 6. Produce stand 7. Radio or TV tower or other communication equipment 8. Recreational camping park per Section 505 9. Recreational facility, indoor 10. Recreational facility, outdoor 11. Excavation of natural earth materials per Section 606

313.3 Table of Area, Dimensions and Coverage.

Minimum Lot Requirements						Maximum Limitations	
Class	Lot Area	Lot Frontage	Front Yard	Side Yard	Rear Yard	Height	Building Coverage
1 or 2	1 acre	150'	40'	20'	25'	35'	20%
3	3 acres (*)	200'	40'	35'	30'	35'	10%

*The minimum lot size may be reduced to an area not smaller than one (1) acres by application of the High Intensity Soils Mapping Standards (i.e. **HIS**) of Appendix B.

SECTION 314 RURAL LANDS THREE DISTRICT (RL-3).

314.1 Purpose.

These are areas of the City within which development should be restricted until it has been further studied and detailed plans developed. These are critical areas where slopes of over twenty-five percent (25%) may be found, **wetlands** and a seasonably high water-table exist or have poor highway access to the rest of the community. These areas almost uniformly have severe restrictions for on-site disposal of sewage and any extensive development, including **driveways**, may present problems in grades and control of erosion. The primary use of these areas should be for forestry with only limited development for single family residential purposes on large lots.

314.2 Table of Uses.

<u>Permitted Uses</u>	<u>Special Exception Uses</u> (see Section 801.3)
<u>Residential</u> 1. Accessory use to any one-family dwelling <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 2. Agriculture 3. Home business per Section 600 4. Public recreation facility 5. Renewable energy system per Section 612 <u>Planned Developments</u> 6. PRec per Section 501 7. PURD per Section 501	<u>Residential</u> 1. One-family dwelling 2. Accessory dwelling unit (ADU) per Section 610 <u>Commercial/Non-Residential</u> 3. Cemetery 4. Essential service 5. Home-based contractor's yard per Section 600A 6. Radio or TV tower or other communication equipment 7. Recreational camping park per Section 505 8. Recreational facility, indoor 9. Recreational facility, outdoor

314.3 Table of Area, Dimensions and Coverage.

Minimum Lot Requirements				Maximum Limitations	
Lot Area	Front Yard	Side Yard	Rear Yard	Height	Building Coverage
10 acres	50'	50'	50'	35'	1%



30 October 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Lebanon
51 North Park Street
Lebanon, NH 03766

Re: Request for Zoning Change

Dear Mayor and Councilors:

On behalf of ICV of NH, LLC, this letter is being written to request a zoning change to be part of the city's annual zoning review.

Request #1. Rezone parcel 26-2 on Etna Road to GC-1 (see attached "Lot 26-2").

Parcel 26-2 is a large, mixed use industrial parcel. It currently has an office building and an a multi-family building on it. The parcel is unsuitable for typical industrial building as it is steep and boulder. The land could support one or two more multi-family structures, if re-zoned.

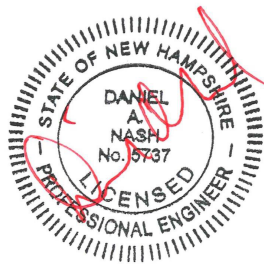
This parcel is in between the other parcels being considered for change to GC-1. It has the same characteristics as those parcels and could provide similar benefit to the city. Making this change fits with those properties. I believe this parcel was overlooked in the study process and should be included for consideration for a zone change.

Establishing this proper zoning to this parcel would be just, appropriate, and not cause the potential for harmful impacts from development.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Nash, PE
Principal



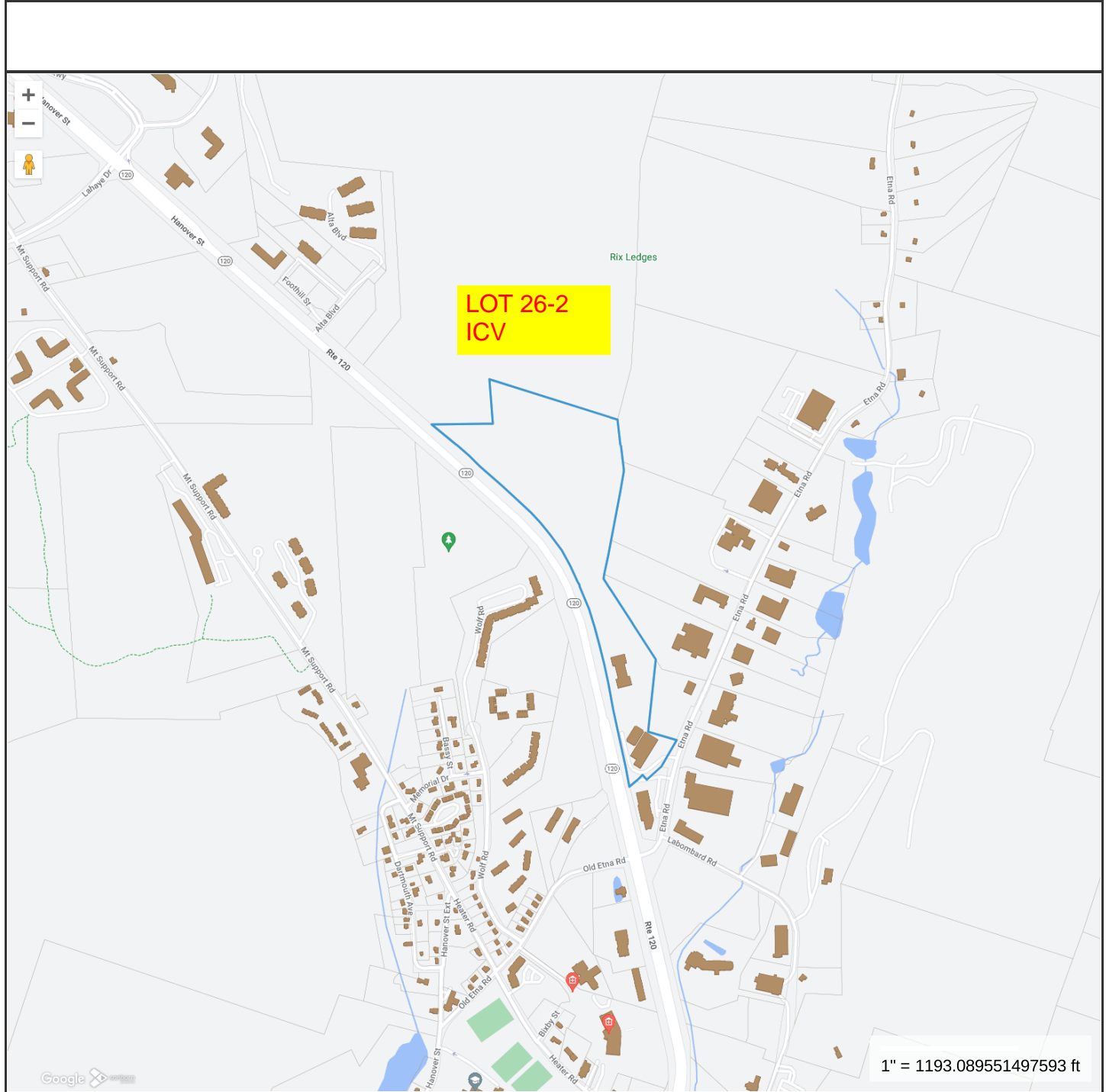
City Council
Request for Zoning Change
30Oct2024

Attachments:

- Lot 26-2
- North Lebanon zone change map
- signed petition

CC: Robert Sprayregen, ICV

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Property Information

Property ID 26-2
Location 67 ETNA RD
Owner ICV HOLDINGS OF NH LLC



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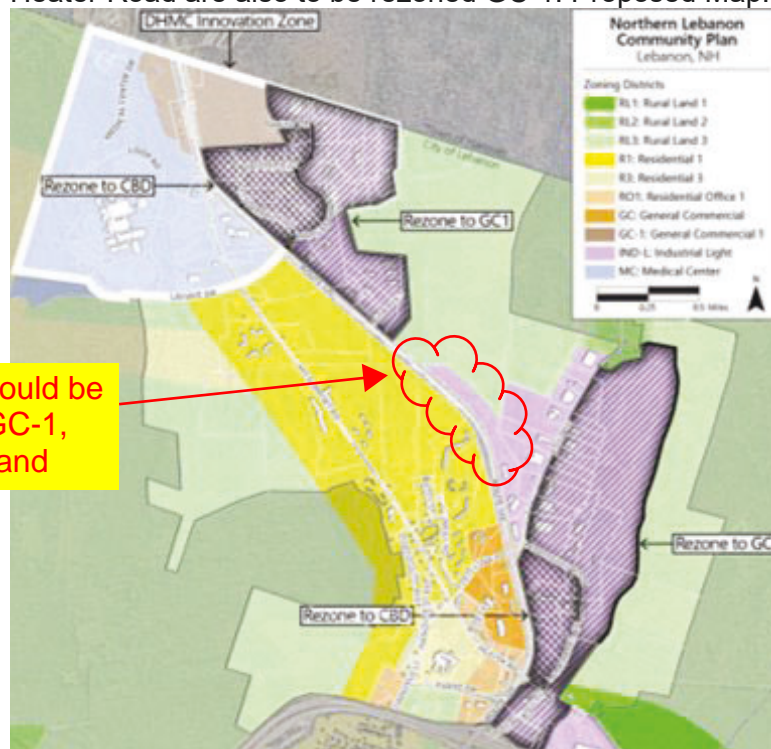
1. Creation of a Pattern Zones Overlay District to promote infill housing development within the study area.
2. A Preapproved Architecturally Designed Pattern Book, consisting of 15-25 house designs that can be accessed free of charge to those seeking to build a new house in the study area. The Pattern Book will be contracted for three years with Pattern Zones Co. and will be accessible online. The final stages of its approval are currently under development.
3. A sensitivity analysis, provided at the City Council meeting in September, analyzed housing market trends, zoning codes and the current neighborhood configuration to match housing opportunity with regulatory structure. The Zoning recommendations are based upon the sensitivity analysis.

B. 120 – North Lebanon Study

The 120 North Lebanon Study was initiated in January 2024 and concluded with a presentation to City Council in September 2024. The study included substantial public engagement with the people that live and work in the Northern Lebanon neighborhood. The study makes a series of recommendations within three categories: Conservation, Zoning, and City amenities including transportation improvements. Specific recommendations include the creation of a wildlife crossing and land use-based protections for the crossing, and the re-zoning of the area to maximize development in line with the current and future needs of the neighborhood.

1. Zoning Map changes.
 - a. The changes proposed within the study area are to rezone the areas around Centerra business park to Central Business District (CBD).
 - b. The Altaria developments and surrounding areas are to be rezoned as General Commercial One (GC-1).
 - c. The areas along Etna Road, Labombard Road, Heater Road and Little Heater Road are also to be rezoned GC-1. Proposed Map:

ICV land that should be considered for GC-1, as other IND-L land



August 21 2025
To Lebanon City Council;

I would like to ask that the City of Lebanon consider **adding “Vehicular Repair” as an allowed use within the City’s Light Industrial zone.**

Currently, the only zone that currently allows Vehicular Repair is in the General Commercial (GC) Zone. GC zoning is generically supportive of retail focused businesses that require high traffic count and visibility, and historically has supported small auto repair shops as found on Mechanic Street. However, as I have discovered in a current engagement by Key Collision (division of Key Auto), the size and nature of most GC lots are not that appropriate for larger autobody repair shops, which don’t need/want high visibility, need to be fenced for insurance and security and frequently need 3-4 acres of land, which support a large shop and significant parking.

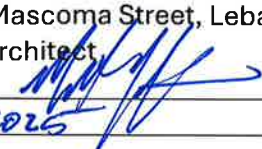
Currently, the Light Industrial Zone permits:

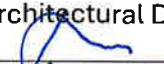
- 1) Vehicular sales (with Conditional Use Permit), however NOT Vehicular Repair, despite the nature of this business being more aligned with manufacturing and industry.
- 2) Equipment and Machinery (tractors, lifts, etc) sales, rental and service. These businesses are similar in nature to larger vehicular repair/autobody shops. They do not fit well in high traffic retail locations.

Given the purpose of the IND-L zone (see below) and the nature of the vehicular repair autobody shop business, it is my petition that this use should be allowed in the Light Industrial zone.

*303.1 Purpose. The purpose of the IND-L District is to provide land in appropriate locations for the establishment of manufacturing plants and other businesses of a similar nature, which improve employment opportunities and strengthen the economic base of the city. Such activities should not adversely affect the natural environment, adjacent residential areas or community facilities. A variety of manufacturing, distribution and service industries, and certain limited support activities are allowed in the district. However, in order to preserve appropriate land for such uses, residential uses and many types of commercial uses, such as retailing and **personal services**, are not allowed.*

This zoning change is supported by the following Lebanon residents:

Name: Tim Olsen
Address: 45 Mascoma Street, Lebanon, NH
Profession: Architect
Signature 
Date 8/24/2025

Name: Matt Giffin
Address: 5 Hillside Drive
Profession: Architectural Designer
Signature 
Date 8/24/2025

Sincerely
Chip Brown
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Lebanon City Council
Shaun Mulholland
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Lebanon City Hall
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Dear Members of the Lebanon City Council,

I am writing to formally submit a petition in accordance with Section 1000.2.C of the Zoning Ordinance on behalf of the voters who have signed the petition. This petition seeks to amend the Zoning Ordinance, specifically Section 607.8.C.2, which pertains to the regulations for electric vehicle (EV) charging in multi-family dwellings.

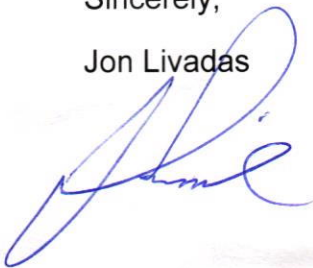
The attached document outlines the proposed amendment and our rationale for the requested changes. We believe that the current EV charging requirements are overly restrictive and financially burdensome, particularly for new developments which will further inflate the housing crisis and limit affordable housing development. By revisiting the requirement using accurate data and by allowing these decisions to be made through the site plan review process, we can ensure a more flexible and case-by-case approach that better accommodates the diverse needs of different projects within our community.

We respectfully request that this petition be reviewed and considered for adoption to promote equitable development and the effective allocation of resources.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jon Livadas



Petition 1000.2 C: Revising the EV Charging Mandate

607.8 Electric Vehicles.

- A. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to facilitate the transition to **electric vehicle** use and to expedite the establishment of convenient, cost-effective **electric vehicle infrastructure** that such a transition necessitates.
- B. Applicability. **EV charging stations** are allowed as an **accessory use** in all zoning districts. When the retail charging of **electric vehicles** is proposed to be the principal use of a **lot**, then the proposed **EV charging station** shall be considered a **service station** for zoning purposes.
- ~~C. EV Infrastructure Requirements / Off-Street EV Parking Requirements. **EVSE-installed spaces, EV-ready spaces, and EV-capable spaces** shall be provided as follows:~~
- ~~1. One- and Two-Family Dwellings. All new **one- and two-family dwellings** shall provide at least one (1) **EV-ready space per dwelling unit.**~~
 - ~~2. Multi-Family Dwellings. Parking for **multi-family dwellings** and **senior housing complexes** shall include a minimum of 65% of EVSE-installed, EV-ready, and EV-capable spaces as follows:
 - ~~a. **EVSE-installed spaces** for a minimum of 5% of proposed **off-street parking spaces.**~~
 - ~~b. **EV-ready spaces** for a minimum of 20% of proposed **off-street parking spaces.**~~
 - ~~c. **EV-capable spaces** for a minimum of 40% of proposed **off-street parking spaces.**~~~~
 - ~~3. Non-Residential Uses. Parking for uses requiring or proposing to provide 30 or more **off-street parking spaces** shall include a minimum of 50% of EVSE-installed, EV-ready, and EV-capable spaces as follows:
 - ~~a. **EVSE-installed spaces** for a minimum of 2% of proposed **off-street parking spaces**, with a minimum of two **EVSE-installed spaces.**~~
 - ~~b. **EV-ready spaces** for a minimum of 10% of proposed **off-street parking spaces.**~~
 - ~~c. **EV-capable spaces** for a minimum of 38% of proposed **off-street parking spaces.**~~~~
 4. Where the calculations above result in a fractional parking space, it shall round up to the next whole number.
 - ~~5. Where the number of **EVSE-installed spaces** provided exceeds the minimum required, the excess spaces shall be deducted from the total number of required **EV-ready spaces.**~~
 - ~~6. Where the number of **EV-ready spaces** provided exceeds the minimum required, the excess **EV-ready spaces** shall be deducted from the total number of required **EV-capable spaces.**~~
 - ~~7. Up to five (5) **Level 2 EV-installed spaces** may be substituted with one (1) **Level 3 EV-installed space** (minimum 50kW).~~
 - ~~8. **EVSE-installed spaces, EV-ready spaces, and EV-capable spaces** are to be included in the calculation for both the number of minimum required and maximum permitted off-street parking spaces.
 - ~~a. Every two (2) **EVSE-installed spaces** provided in addition to the required minimum may be counted as four (4) **off-street parking spaces** as relates to Section 607.1 (Minimum Off-Street Parking Requirements), for reduction of total required parking not greater than 10 percent of the total amount of required parking.~~~~

This document serves as a petition to remove the Electric Vehicle (EV) charging mandates from the Zoning Ordinance and instead include a simpler requirement that suits the actual projected demand in Site Plan regulations.

The current multi-tiered approach of EV charging requirements is overly cumbersome, financially prohibitive, and confusing for property owners. The existing zoning ordinance assumes that almost every tenant will have at least one electric vehicle and lacks the flexibility needed to accommodate various types of projects, forcing all properties, including affordable housing, to adhere to the same overbearing standards. There is no data supporting the current mandates and while we understand Lebanon's EV goals the requirement seems to greatly out project a realistic EV adoption rate. Furthermore, the data showing EV growth in the Lebanon seems to be inaccurate, only covers a few years, and it doesn't distinguish between EV owners who own vs those who rent their homes. This is a crucial factor, as renters have different needs and priorities compared to homeowners when it comes to their vehicle choices. Ignoring this distinction further compounds the issues with the current one-size-fits-all approach

The EV industry continues to evolve as technology changes and making decisions today under the guise of being proactive to save property owners money in 5 or 10 years seems short-sighted given the limited and inconsistent data. Below are two screen grabs from the Lebanon website discussing registered EVs in Lebanon. The first is from last year (2024) and states Lebanon had 212 EVs in 2023. The second image is currently on the website and states there were 58 in 2023 and 95 in 2024.

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[Electric Vehicles](#)


Posted on: December 28, 2023

[ARCHIVED] EV Adoption Zooming Ahead

The latest vehicle registrations in Lebanon confirm a rapid rise in the number of electric vehicles (EVs), which includes all-electric cars or trucks and plug-in hybrids. The same acceleration is happening in Grafton County, across the State of New Hampshire, and in the United States as a whole, Lebanon's [Electric Vehicle \(EV\) Subcommittee](#) reports.

Compared with December 2022, the number of EVs registered in Lebanon increased by 70% in December 2023. And compared with 2016, when the first long-range EVs became available (other than Teslas), EV registrations in Lebanon increased by 278% in 2023. The absolute numbers still are small locally -- we are up to 212 EVs in Lebanon -- but the trend toward more EVs is happening in all parts of the state and the country.

[CNN reports](#) that in 2023 for the first time, U.S. consumers bought more than 1 million EVs in a single year, accounting for around 8% of car sales. A [recent presentation](#) by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) showed increased EV registrations in every county, with Grafton being the fourth most EV-popular county in the state:



Why EVs?

- EVs are fun to drive!
- Throughout New England, transportation emits carbon dioxide (a greenhouse gas) more than any other sector of society. The same is true in Lebanon. According to the 2012 Lebanon Master Plan, Lebanon's commercial sector is the largest carbon emitter here, and 70% of that is commute vehicle emissions.
- EVs can run on clean, affordable, domestic electricity.
- EVs save money in the long run. Although purchase prices for some EVs can be higher than for some internal-combustion vehicles, costs for fuel and maintenance are dramatically lower with EVs, producing considerable savings overall.
- EVs are good for business. [Installing EV charging stations increased sales at nearby businesses by an average of 13% in a four-year study of 273 stores, restaurants, hotels, and other retail businesses.](#) In a [separate study](#) of 4,000 EV charging stations and 140,000 business establishments, installing EV charging increased annual spending at nearby businesses by 2.7% in 2019 and 3.2% in 2021-2023.
- The U.S. auto industry is shifting to EVs. The number of plug-in vehicles registered in Lebanon increased by 58% between December 2023 and December 2024 (from 58 to 95 EVs and plug-in hybrids). Plug-in vehicles comprised 3.5% of vehicles in Lebanon in 2024, up from 0.5% in 2020. Also view [a town-by-town breakdown of 2020 EV registrations \(PDF\)](#).

So which number is correct? We would be surprised if EV ownership has gone down, and we are not arguing the industry isn't growing, but we do believe a more balanced approach is necessary. One that aligns with the actual needs of the community while forecasting a realistic adoption rate based on defensible, local data rather than nationwide statistics or only pro EV articles. Requiring 65% or more parking spaces to be EV/ready when there is no data to support that number is an overreach. For instance, The Lebanon Woolen Mill (LWM) multi-family development, has 240 parking spaces and is required to have 156 EV parking spaces mixed across the different levels. LWM, will have almost three times more EV ready spaces than there are registered EVs in Lebanon. Furthermore, the development is private, and the chargers will not be accessible to non-residents. Would we be better served by focusing on public charging stations accessible to everyone?

Imposing the current EV charging requirements is financially burdensome for property owners. The significant upfront costs will not yield short-term or long-term value, as technology and market demands evolve rapidly, and future value does not lower the cost of building today. These additional costs will result in less development of both market rate and affordable housing. We need housing units OF ALL KIND - the more supply the more rent relief the market will see.

As it stands, the EV ordinance does not offer the adaptability needed to address the unique circumstances of different developments. By moving EV requirements to the site plan review process, decisions can be made on a case-by-case basis just as parking requirements are managed today. This would allow for a more tailored approach,

ensuring that the needs of each project are adequately met without imposing unnecessary financial burdens on specific projects such as affordable housing.

Lastly, the EV mandate seems to not have thought about the impact it will have on the power grid if all the proposed developments get built. We understand charging will mostly happen during the night when tenants are home but still, the grid must be able to support the power being brought to the site. Were utility companies consulted regarding the additional load these requirements would impose and if that type of power could be provided? Using the Lebanon Woolen Mill project as an example, the switchgear needed to power just the EV aspect could power a 100-unit building. Many designated EV spaces won't have chargers installed as laid out in the requirements, yet our site will still need three switchgears. This is creating a scenario where the power infrastructure is significantly expanded without any guarantee of utilization while potentially lowering the load potential elsewhere. These are all issues California is dealing with today due to their overly aggressive EV requirements.

We believe that rescinding the EV charging mandate, right sizing it for the community future need, and moving it to the Site Plan Regulations will foster a more economically viable development landscape while motivating smaller property owners to invest in their assets to bring more housing on a smaller scale to Lebanon. By enabling a flexible approach through site plan review, we can ensure that each project is evaluated on its own merits and specific needs, similar to how parking requirements are handled.

If you support the above, please sign below:

Name: Karen A. Slayton
Signature: Karen A. Slayton Date: May 20, 2025

Name: Robert E. Slayton
Signature: Robert E. Slayton Date: May 20, 2025

Name: Gordon Bailey
Signature: Gordon Bailey Date: May 20, 2025

Name: SAMANTHA MEDINA
Signature: Samantha Medina Date: May 21 2025

Name: Tracy Packard
Signature: Tracy Packard Date: May 21 2025

Name: Cote Swenson
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Name: Kim Davis

Signature: Kimberlee Davis

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Name: Michelle Hammond

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Name: Mary Mayes

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Name: Don Talburt

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October 27, 2025

Nathan Reichert
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RE: Twenty 2025-2026 Proposed Zoning Amendments

Mr. Reichert:

This is a preliminary legal opinion as required by Section 1000.3(B)(2) of the Lebanon Zoning Ordinance concerning twenty (20) amendments to the zoning map or the text of the zoning ordinance proposed by the planning board, planning staff, or the city council. I have reviewed a staff memorandum packet dated September 22, 2025 which includes informational materials for each of the twenty amendments.

The ZO requires this legal review to cover: (a) whether such amendment is within the authority delegated to the City under State law; (b) whether the form is appropriate; and (c) whether, from an administrative point of view, the amendment can be administered and enforced.

With respect to the twenty (20) proposed amendments described in the September 22, 2025 Planning and Development Department Staff Memo, my general answer to the three questions in Section 1000.3.B(2) is “yes”, subject to specific comments as to appropriate form set forth below. With the exception of my comments below, I discern no significant legal or administrative issues of concern with these proposed amendments. If I do not reference a specific amendment below, then I have no comments as to its form.

1. **Amendment 1: 2024 HB1361: Manufactured Homes**

As amended by 2024 HB1361, RSA 674:32, I(b) specifies that municipalities must afford opportunities for siting of manufactured housing in one or more specific areas: (1) on individual lots, in districts zoned to permit residential uses; **OR** (2)(A) in manufactured housing parks in districts zoned to permit residential uses and (2)(B) in subdivisions created for the placement of manufactured housing on individually-owned lots, in districts zoned to permit residential uses; **OR** (3) in all three types of locations listed in (b)(1), (b)(2)(A) and (b)(2)(B).

Section 209 in its current form allows manufactured housing in manufactured housing parks ((2)(A) above) and in manufactured housing PURDs (which, per Sections 500, 501 and 504 of

the ZO, are a type of “subdivision” for purposes of (2)(B)). Therefore, Lebanon’s ZO appears to already be in compliance with the amended RSA 674:32, I.

I note that RSA 674:32, I(c) now specifies that “[n]o special exception or special permit shall be required for... manufactured housing subdivisions pursuant to subparagraph (b)(2)(B) unless such special exception or permit is required by the municipality for single family housing located on individual lots or in subdivisions. Under ZO section 504, I note that a manufactured housing PURD requires a conditional use permit. This appears to be appropriate because ZO section 501.1.B specifies that *all* PUDs, including PURDs, require a conditional use permit.

The proposed amendment to also allow manufactured housing on individual lots in districts where one-family dwellings are permitted is in accord with RSA 674:32, I, (b)(1) and (b)(3), as it allows manufactured housing units in “most” areas zoned for “residential uses”. I recommend the following edits to the proposed addition to Section 209, to conform more closely with the statute.

Manufactured ~~H~~housing ~~U~~units shall also be allowed on individual lots in zoning districts that allow one-family dwellings with the following conditions:

1. The ~~M~~manufactured housing unit shall be a one-family dwelling.
2. The ~~M~~manufactured housing unit shall be on a foundation.
3. A manufactured housing unit shall not be used ~~an~~ as an ADU.
4. Design elements such as landscaping, porches, pitched roofs, and stone or bricks accents are encouraged.
5. The manufactured housing unit shall ~~follow~~ comply with lot size, frontage requirements, space limitations, and all setbacks, parking, and regulations of the zoning district.
6. Manufactured housing units are not eligible for the Pattern Zones Overlay District zoning enhancements.

2. Amendment 3: SB284: Residential Parking Requirements

Note that the state law requiring this amendment is 2025 Senate Bill (SB) 284, not a House Bill (HB).

The proposed amendment to ZO section 607.3(A) deletes an exception to maximum parking requirements for one- and two-family dwellings, and appears to insert a maximum off-street parking cap of 200% (double) the minimum requirement from the Table of Minimum Off-Street Parking Requirements. In its current form, the Table requires a minimum of 2.0 parking spaces per one-family or two-family dwelling unit. The proposed amendments would now seem to cap the number of parking spaces at 2.0 per one-family or two-family dwelling unit (by reducing the minimum to 1.0 spaces and only allowing 200% of the minimum).

Unless I am misunderstanding the intent of the maximum parking language, I recommend that a carve-out for one- and two-family dwellings be restored. It would be difficult to administer and enforce a maximum limit of two off-street parking spaces for residential homes.

3. **Amendments 5-9: Map Amendments – A note on Spot Zoning**

Amendments 5-9 propose re-zoning various lots up and down the Route 120 corridor. It is of course within the City’s authority to change its zoning map and to change the zoning district designation of land. A hallmark of zoning is that regulation is by district and not by individual lots, so whenever a proposed change would affect a relatively limited area, it is important to consider whether that change meets the legal standard for zoning.

A change to a zoning map may be problematic “spot zoning” if it is singled out for treatment different from that of surrounding land which cannot be justified on the basis of health, safety, morals, or general welfare of the community and if the change is not in accordance with a comprehensive plan. See Miller v. Town of Tilton, 139 N.H. 429 (1995). The mere fact that an area is small, is rezoned at the request of a single owner, and is of greater benefit to that owner than to others does **not** necessarily constitute spot zoning if there is a public need for it or a compelling reason for it. Id.

In considering whether rezoning constitutes spot zoning, courts may consider whether the change is made in response to some public need. See Shadlick v. Concord, 108 N.H. 319 (1967) (zoning change was made in response to growing need for multi-family housing which already existed in proximity to the rezoned area, and thus was part of a comprehensive plan rather than spot zoning). Also relevant is whether there are sufficient opportunities for the targeted use elsewhere in the community, particularly if those other areas aren’t being used. See Bosse v. Portsmouth, 107 N.H. 523 (1967) (rezoning of one parcel for industrial use when it was surrounded by residential uses was spot zoning because many other areas in the city were available for industrial use but weren’t being used that way). The common thread in the case law is that a court will consider whether there is a reason or combination of reasons for the change that is in the public interest and consistent with the community’s development goals.

In this case, I do not discern any “spot zoning” issues with respect to the proposed map amendments.

4. **Amendment 11: Section 408: Historic District**

The proposed amendment to reference the “Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings”, specifically “as of 9/3/2025”, and listing out those standards, means that these standards in Lebanon’s ZO will not automatically update and change as the Secretary of the Interior’s standards and guidelines may change. On the one hand, explicitly spelling out the standards may be helpful for readers. On the other hand, if/when in the future the standards are updated by the Dept. of the Interior, ZO Section 408.6 will need to be manually updated with further amendments to the ordinance.

5. **Amendment 12: Mobile Food Service Vending Ordinance**

I reviewed an earlier version of this ordinance in a letter dated April 4, 2025. I observe that the current version of the proposed ordinance appears to have addressed my questions and concerns.

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6. **Amendment 17: Care and Treatment of Animals**

The proposed revisions to definitions include a definition for “Animal Clinic, Animal Hospital, or Veterinary Office” (emphasis added). The proposed revisions to the use tables add “Animal Clinic, Hospital, or Veterinary Office” to various zoning districts. To avoid confusion, the use tables should be updated to reference “Animal Clinic, Animal Hospital, or Veterinary Office”.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns about this opinion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matthew C. Decker". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Matthew C. Decker

October 24, 2025

Nathan Reichert
Director of Planning & Development
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RE: Four 2025-2026 Petitioned Zoning Amendments

Mr. Reichert:

This is a preliminary legal opinion as required by Section 1000.3(B)(2) of the Lebanon Zoning Ordinance concerning four petitioned amendments to the zoning map or the text of the zoning ordinance. I have reviewed a staff memorandum packet dated September 22, 2025 which includes the materials submitted in support of the four petitioned amendments.

The four petitioned amendments I have reviewed are as follow:

- **Petitioned Amendment 1:** Map Amendment: Rezoning of Parcels along Old Pine Tree Cemetery Road from RL-2 to R-3.
- **Petitioned Amendment 2:** Map Amendment: Rezone parcel 26-2 on Route 120, accessed via Etna Road, from IND-L and RL-3 to GC-1, in connection with an anticipated re-zoning to GC-1 of other nearby parcels to the north along Route 120 and to the south along the east side of Etna Road.
- **Petitioned Amendment 3:** Change of IND-L use table to add “vehicular repair” as a permitted use.
- **Petitioned Amendment 4:** Amendment to Electric Vehicle Ordinance, Section 607.8.

The ZO requires this legal review to cover: (a) whether such amendment is within the authority delegated to the City under State law; (b) whether the form is appropriate; and (c) whether, from an administrative point of view, the amendment can be administered and enforced.

With respect to the four petitioned amendments described above, my answer to the three questions in Section 1000.3.B(2) is “yes” and, with the exception of my comments below concerning the possibility of spot zoning, I discern no significant legal or administrative issues of concern with this proposed amendment.

1. Proposed Zoning Map Change, 67 Etna Rd., Parcel 26-2:

This proposal would affect one lot consisting of approx. 37 acres, currently split-zoned between the IND-L and RL-3 districts. The property owner appears to have asked for the entire lot to be re-zoned to GC-1 (although the owner may have only intended that the current IND-L area be re-zoned to GC-1, leaving the RL-3 area unchanged).

It is of course within the City's authority to change its zoning map and to change the zoning district designation of land. A hallmark of zoning is that regulation is by district and not by individual lots, so whenever a proposed change would affect a relatively limited area, it is important to consider whether that change meets the legal standard for zoning.

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In this case, while only one lot is referenced, I see from the petitioner's cover letter an intent that the lot "should be included for consideration for a zone change" in connection with other nearby lots "being considered for change to GC-1". Therefore, to avoid a spot zoning concern, this amendment should be reviewed and considered in connection with the other referenced changes, and not as a stand-alone amendment. (I also note that the desire to re-zone all or part of this lot to GC-1 is in conflict with the amendment #6 being put forward by the City, which would re-zone the northern half of the IND-L section of this lot to RL-3 while the southern portion remains IND-L.)

2. Proposed Amendment to Electric Vehicle Ordinance, Section 607.8:

The proposed amendment appears to request deletion of 607.8 (C) parts 1-3 and 5-8, but not part 4. I do not see a function or purpose for part 4 left standing alone, and if this amendment is implemented, I would recommend the deletion of part 4 along with the rest of part (C).

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Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns about this opinion.

Sincerely,



Matthew C. Decker