



Arlington Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees

Date: December 12, 2023
Time: 7:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.
Location: Conducted via remote participation
Present: Karen Kelleher, Neal Mongold, Jaclyn Pacejo, Eric Helmuth,
Absent: Jack Nagle, Vicmarie Santiago, Beth Elliott

Minutes

1. 175 Mass Ave (Fox Library) Housing Feasibility Study

Planning Director Claire Ricker described a proposed feasibility study that DPCD is working on, with Anna Litten, the library director, to study the potential for affordable housing development over the Fox Library branch, in conjunction with redevelopment of the library. The Town has received a grant from the Commonwealth to do the study, and would like to request feedback and engagement from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Trustees discussed the potential and expressed support for the creative and proactive effort to align the Town's desire to update the library branch with the Town's desire to create more affordable housing. DPCD will share the resulting study with the Trust when available.

2. Affordable Housing Overlay

Sanjay Newton, a representative of a citizen group developing an affordable housing zoning overlay proposal, presented an overview regarding the working group and the framework they are starting from for purposes of obtaining feedback from Trustees. Mr. Newton noted that the working group includes residents with affordable housing development and local zoning expertise. Trustees Karen Kelleher and Beth Elliott (nonvoting) disclosed that they are participants in the working group. Mr. Newton reviewed the attached slide deck, noting that zoning is primarily the purview of the ARB, but that the need for the bylaw and the affordable housing financing context is relevant to the Trust's mission and action plan. Individual trustees asked questions and expressed support for the proposal conceptually, subject to development of a more specific proposal and feedback from a wide range of stakeholders.

3. 2024 Meeting Schedule

The Trustees discussed continuing to meet remotely on the Fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m., subject to circulation of particular dates.

Meeting adjourned.

[Attachment: Affordable Housing Overlay Presentation](#)