

Report on Proposed Amendment to 2005 Warren Town Plan

Pursuant to Title 24 § 4384(c), this report addresses the extent to which the proposed amendment to the 2005 Warren Town Plan is consistent with the goals in § 4302 of Title 24.

The proposed amendment is an important, but relatively brief and concise amendment to the 2005 Warren Town Plan. Since Warren already submitted a report in 2005 at the time the major revision to the Town Plan was submitted, the elements of that report will not be repeated here. This report will focus solely on the proposed amendment.

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to incorporate a recently approved Long Term Plan for the Warren Municipal Facilities into the Town Plan. This proposed amendment is consistent with the goals established in § 4302. The relevant goals that are addressed by this amendment include:

- 1) § 4302 (b) - The amendment is the result of a lengthy planning process that involved significant public participation. In addition to scheduled and noticed meetings on the subject, a full day Planning Charrette was attended by over 50 interested Warren residents, community leaders, design and planning experts, Town officials and others. The output of this Charrette formed a major portion of the ultimate Municipal Facilities Plan approved by the Selectboard.
- 2) § 4302 (c) (1) - The amendment incorporates a plan to maintain and reinforce the historic village center of Warren.
- 3) § 4302 (c) (5) - The amendment identifies, protects and preserves important historic structures, rather than replacing them.
- 4) § 4302 (c) (12) - The amendment plans for an efficient system of public facilities to meet future needs based on anticipated growth.

The amendment does not alter the designation of any land area.

The Warren Planning Commission

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