

Minutes

Sorrento Planning Board: Hybrid

February 1, 2024

Respectfully Submitted: Katharine (Trina) Wellman

1. Meeting called to order: Tom Baily 6:05 pm
2. Members present: Tom Baily, Trina Wellman, Beth Clark, Bob Worrell (on the phone), Dan Biermen; Others: Diana Gazis.
3. January Meeting Minutes approved: Motion Beth Clark, Seconded Bob Worrell, approved unanimously.
4. Discussion: Draft Housing Opportunity Program LUO

Reviewed comments from Dan Bierman. Under Density Bonus, Dan suggests in Sentence 2 adding "Additional dwelling units must comply with State Subsurface.....". Tom will take this suggestion to Mike Gurtler CEO and Town lawyer.

Discussed if we have direct access to the Town lawyer. Tom to talk to Hilly and CEO regarding changes and ability to share our recommended language changes to State wording.

5. Discussed how other towns have fees for STR but we do not. Sorrento does not have the staff to administrator and or enforce such a program. We also need someone who can do annual inspections of STR. Beth offered that she lives near her STR, that she does all the management herself, and has numerous return/long term stay renters. Tom will talk to CEO about whether we should say something explicit in the Density Bonus section of the LUO about STR.
6. There is scheduled a public hearing on the Sorrento Housing Opportunity Program LUO for February 13th.