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Planning Division

Memo

To: Town Council

From: Jacob LaFontaine, Planning Director

Date: December 13, 2023

Re: Amendment to §490-102, Establishment of Amendment Process

Recommendation: That the Town Council review the proposed amendments to §490-102 Amendments, and if satisfied with the language as presented, move to pass the amendment to a second reading and public hearing.

Background: The attached revisions to **§490-102 Amendments** are being proposed.

The Salem Town Charter, adopted by voters at Town Meeting, March 7 2023, granted the Town Council with the authority to adopt and amend all land use regulations and ordinances with an affirmative vote of six (6) of the Town Councilors.

The proposed amendment establishes the procedures for adopting zoning ordinances and amendments set forth in NH RSA 675:2, in acknowledgment that such change will promote the orderly maintenance of the Zoning Ordinance.

The Planning Board held two public hearings (11/14/23 & 12/12/23) and unanimously recommends (7-0) that the Town Council adopt the proposed amendment.