4. Subdivision Regulations

A. Article 1 (Purpose and Review Criteria) add Compliance to Net Density Area

Changes are shown via strikeout and colored text additions

ARTICLE #: Shall Article 1 J of the Town of Raymond Subdivision Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994, and amended through June 4, 2019, be further amended by the adding the underscored language and removing the language in strikeout text as shown below?

DESCRIPTION:

One Change:

 Adding to the Purpose and Review Criteria section under Article 1J to include compliance with Net Residential Area for determining allowable number of proposed lots

[Note: The use of the word "Article" within the ordinance does not indicate a separate warrant article.]

ARTICLE 1 – PURPOSE AND REVIEW CRITERIA

The purpose of this Ordinance shall be to assure the comfort, convenience, safety, health and welfare of the people, to protect the environment and to promote the development of an economically sound and stable community. To this end, in approving subdivisions within the Town of Raymond, Maine, the Planning Board shall evaluate the proposed subdivision, using the following criteria:

- A. Will not result in undue water or air pollution. In making this determination, the Planning Board shall at least consider:
 - 1. The elevation of the land and its relation to flood plains;
 - 2. The nature of soils and subsoils and their ability to adequately support waste disposal;
 - 3. The slope of the land and its effects on effluents; and
 - 4. The applicable State and local health and water resources regulations.
- B. Has sufficient water available for the reasonably foreseeable needs of the subdivision;
- C. Will not cause an unreasonable burden on an existing water supply, if one is to be utilized;
- D. Will not cause unreasonable soil erosion or reduction in the capacity of the land to hold water so that a dangerous or unhealthy condition may result;
- E. Will not cause unreasonable highway or public road congestion or unsafe conditions with respect to the use of highways or public roads existing or proposed;
- F. Will provide for adequate solid and sewage waste disposal;
- G. Will not cause an unreasonable burden on the ability of the Town of Raymond to dispose of solid waste and sewage with respect to the use of municipal facilities existing or proposed;
- H. Will not place an unreasonable burden on the ability of the Town of Raymond to provide municipal or governmental services;
- I. Will not have an undue adverse effect on the scenic or natural beauty of the area, aesthetics, historic sites, significant wildlife habitat identified by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife or the Town of Raymond or rare and irreplaceable natural areas or any public rights for physical or visual access to the shoreline;

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- J. Is in conformance with the subdivision ordinance, comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance, floodplain management ordinance or other duly adopted town ordinance or regulation. In making this determination, the municipal review authority may interpret these ordinances and plans:
 - 1. The subdivision shall comply with the Net Residential Area and Area for computing the allowable number of proposed lots for the entire subdivision.
- K. The subdivider has adequate financial and technical capacity to meet the required standards;
- L. Whenever situated entirely or partially within the watershed of any pond or lake or within 250 feet of any wetland, great pond or river as defined in the Mandatory Shoreland Zoning, Act Title 38, chapter 3, subchapter 1, article 2-B, the proposed subdivision will not adversely affect the quality of water or unreasonably affect the shoreline of that body of water.
 - To avoid circumventing the intent of this provision, if a proposed subdivision adjoins a shoreland strip narrower than 250 feet which is not lotted, the proposed subdivision shall be reviewed as if lot lines extend to the shore.
 - 2. The frontage and set-back provisions of this paragraph do not apply either within areas zoned as general development or its equivalent under shoreland zoning, Title 38, chapter 3, subchapter I, article 2-B, or within areas designated by ordinance as densely developed. The determination of which areas are densely developed must be based on a finding that existing development met the definitional requirements of section 4401, subsection 1, on September 23, 1983;
- M. Will not, alone or in conjunction with existing activities, adversely affect the quality or quantity of groundwater and aquifers;
- N. Based on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Boundary and Floodway Maps and Flood Insurance Rate Maps, and information presented by the applicant whether the subdivision is in a flood-prone area. If the subdivision, or any part of it, is in such an area, the subdivider shall determine the 100-year flood elevation and flood hazard boundaries within the subdivision. The proposed subdivision plan must include a condition of plan approval requiring that principal structures in the subdivision will be constructed with their lowest floor, including the basement, at least one foot above the 100-year flood elevation;
- O. All freshwater wetlands within the proposed subdivision have been identified on any maps submitted as part of the application, regardless of the size of these wetlands;

- P. Any river, stream, or brook, as defined in the Natural Resources Protection Act, Title 38, Section 480-B, within or abutting the subdivision has been identified on any maps submitted as part of the application;
- Q. The subdivision will provide for adequate storm water management;
- R. If any lots in the proposed subdivision have shore frontage on a river, stream, brook or great pond as defined in Title 38, section 480-B, none of the lots created within the subdivision have a lot depth to shore frontage ratio greater than 5 to 1;
- S. The long-term cumulative effects of the proposed subdivision will not unreasonably increase a great pond's phosphorous concentration during the construction phase and life of the proposed subdivision; and
- T. For any proposed subdivision that crosses municipal boundaries, the proposed subdivision will not cause unreasonable traffic congestion or unsafe with respect to the use of existing public ways in an adjoining municipality in which part of the subdivision is located.