

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
**NEW HAMPTON, NH PLANNING BOARD**  
**PROPOSED 2016 ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS**

**First Hearing: Monday, January 4, 2016–7:00 PM**

Snow date: Tuesday, January 5, 2016 – 7:00 PM

**SECOND HEARING (if necessary): Tuesday, January 19, 2016 – 7pm**

Snow date of Wednesday, January 20, 2016 – 7:30 pm

Town Office 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room  
6 Pinnacle Hill Road

The New Hampton Planning Board will hold the first Public Hearing on Monday, January 4, 2016 to discuss amendments to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance.

1. AMEND ARTICLE IV, Section C 2 -Mixed Use District (MU), Pg #9  
Expand the permitted uses and permitted uses by Special Exception for mixed use on a parcel by including the following language: ...and prudent. *Within the Mixed Use District a principle structure may, itself, be mixed use. For example, a residential apartment(s) may be located on the floor above a commercial establishment.*

ALSO add to Definitions, Article XIV - To include the following:

Mixed Use: May include two or more permitted uses within the Mixed Use District on a parcel. The uses may be combined, within a principal structure or any accessory structure subordinate to the principal structure, on one parcel or as part of a site plan or subdivision proposal.

2. DELETE ARTICLE IV, Section F(7) (Pg#24) - Village District, Signs.
3. AMEND ARTICLE V, Section E(6)iii (Pg#34) – Signage in Districts: Change the current language to read:
  - a. One on premise sign shall be permitted and shall not exceed a total of 9 square feet per side. A Special Exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment for up to 16 square feet per side may be considered.
  - b. No sign shall exceed ten (10) feet in height from the road grade at the edge of the public road. (Also add reference to (7)iii regarding Village District height)

4. AMEND AND ADD SPECIAL EXCEPTION CRITERIA TO ARTICLE IV, Section F(2), Pg #21 – Add the Special Exception Criteria listed in all the other Districts in the Village District section to be consistent:

Special Exception: Special Exception Uses listed above may be permitted by the Board of Adjustment, provided the following conditions have been met:

- i. The specific site is an appropriate location for such use.
- ii. There is adequate area for safe and sanitary sewage disposal.
- iii. The use will not adversely affect the adjacent area.
- iv. There will be no nuisance or hazard created.
- v. Adequate and appropriate facilities will be provided for the proper operation of the proposed use.
- vi. The use will not impair the aesthetic values exhibited by the surrounding neighborhood.
- vii. The building, parking and/or driveway shall not exceed 50% of the lot.

5. AMEND ARTICLE VIII, Section B – ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT, PERMITS , Pg #72, Replace Section B1 thru B7 with the following:

B. Permits

1. On and after the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful to change the nature or extent of any structure, use or lot, or erect any structure, or alter the size of or relocate any building in any district without first obtaining a permit from the Board of Selectmen or their designated agent.

The following exceptions apply:

- ia. A building permit shall not be required for any accessory structure that is less than or equal to 192 square feet.
- ib. Ordinary repairs which are non structural and do not include ANY alteration to ANY part of an existing building are exempt from this requirement.
- ii. A copy of the building permit shall be posted prior to commencement of any construction and shall remain posted until construction covered by the permit is completed.
- iii. All work shall be in compliance with all applicable State of New Hampshire Building and Life Safety codes. It is the joint responsibility of the landowner and the person performing the work to ensure that this requirement is met.
- iv. Installation or reinstallation of any fossil fuel, propane, electrical or interior wood fired heating systems, regardless of the size of the building, shall require a building permit, inspection and approval by the New Hampton Fire Department.

v. All building permits are valid for 1 year from the date of issuance. A building permit must be renewed in writing 1 month prior to expiration if the project will not be completed within the 1 year allotment. Renewal of a building permit with no additional fees is permitted provided the project is 75% complete. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to request the extension 1 month prior to expiration of existing permit.

**If necessary, the second public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. if substantive changes are made at the first public hearing. Snow date: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.**

**The full text of the proposed zoning changes are available for public review at the Town Office, Public Works Department/ Transfer Station, and the Gordon-Nash Library.**