



TOWN OF COVENTRY

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Planning Commission members,

Please see the attached documents with a few broad code changes that Planning Staff and our consultant are considering on the topics of multi-family/two-family development and Accessory Dwelling Units. The question of where and how we allow multi-families and two-families is big one and I would appreciate your insight. These uses were previously allowed through Special Use Permits, but as you may recall we “shut down” all Special Use Permits in Town at end of 2023, so now we need to considered what is right approach to allow these uses by-right. The attached docs were created by our consultant as a starting point and to elicit your feedback. It’s OK to bring different opinions to the table as that’s the goal of this email.

I initially thought of starting a non-quorum working group of the Commission to discuss these topics offline, but based on open meetings law I am now thinking the best approach is for you to email me (do not reply all) with any initial comments or feedback you have. You are also free to call me at 822-9184. I can offer you individual conversations, but we should not discuss as a group until our next regular meeting. Not everyone needs to respond to this email, but if you have interest in these topics and time to offer your comments before the next meeting I’d appreciate it. My hope is to assemble your feedback and make progress on Staff’s end before the next meeting so we can discuss as an agenda item on Oct 23rd.

Thanks,
Doug