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To: Belfast Planning Board
From: Belfast Housing & Property Development Committee
Subject: Support for proposed zoning change for Map 18 Lots 48, 49, 50

The Housing and Property Development Committee supports efforts to reduce barriers to creating housing in Belfast, especially those where thoughtful adjustments to regulations or zoning can lead to development in areas already served by some infrastructure.

We understand the Planning Board is reviewing a request to change zoning for subject lots totaling 2.6 acres from Residential 5 to Residential 6 which would allow construction of up to 22 housing units vs. the 10 currently allowed, and that there is deeded access to an existing sewer line for the parcels and the wastewater system can accommodate additional housing.

The Housing Committee supports changing the zoning in subject lots to allow development of additional housing units and appreciates the Planning Board taking this action to help address the housing crisis.

Sincerely,



Nat Clifford, Chair

On Behalf of the Housing & Property Development Committee

cc: Bub Fournier, Director, Planning and Codes
Joellyn Warren, Deputy Economic Development Director
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