



IN CITY COUNCIL

INFORMAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 15, 2018

Informal Meeting of the City Council was held in the City Council Chamber, Room 219, City Hall, on Monday evening, October 15, 2018.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Scott Joseph Graves called the meeting to order at 6:45 o'clock p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Ten (10) Councillors were present including President Scott Joseph Graves and Councillors Nathan Boudreau, James Boone, Ronald Cormier, Edward Gravel, Karen Hardern, Christine Johnson, James Johnson, Elizabeth Kazinskas, and James Walsh. Councillor Craig Cormier was absent. Russell Burke, Director of Planning, BSC Group, was also present.

Councillor James Walsh opened the discussion by citing the changes that the City Council recommended at its August 14 meeting concerning *Senior Residential Development*. He noted that at the Regular Meeting, he would move to amend 675:410 Attachment 1, Table of Uses, under *Residential Uses, 9. Senior Residential Development, e. Assisted living residence with or without memory care*, under RR2 by deleting "SPPB" and insert in its place "NP."

Councillor James Boone expressed support for the amendment, noting that it would protect Rural Residential areas from this type of development.

Councillor James Johnson recommended to delete the sentence "for a period of 30 days before the election date and must be removed within seven days of the election date days," from Section *675-950 - Signs not requiring sign permit. F. Political signs and posters*.

Councillors expressed concern that limits on the placement of political signs on private property infringes on Constitutional liberties.

On questioning, Mr. Burke stated that the provision was added at the behest of the former Building Commissioner due to signs littering the City after an election. He suggested that the 30-day provision be stricken, but that the 7-day provision be retained.

Councillor James Walsh noted that political signs are not necessarily directed toward a specific election, but could be "a phrase by a candidate."

President Graves added that there is no penalty for not removing signs after elections. The meeting concluded at 7:10 p.m.

Accepted by the City Council: *November 5, 2018*