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# TOWN OF BURLINGTON

## Meeting Posting

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Notice of Public Meeting – (As required by G.L. c. 30 A, c. §18-25)

DEPT./BOARD: Northwest Park Housing Committee

DATE: January 23, 2020  
Thursday

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Main Hearing Room  
Town Hall  
29 Center Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

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## Meeting Minutes

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Minutes need to be posted within 30 days or 2 meetings of the board – Draft minutes can be posted and revised at a later date

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DATE: January 23, 2020

TIME: 1:00 PM

PLACE: Town Hall Main Hearing Room

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mike Runyan, Paul Sagarino, Barbara L'Heureux, Shari Ellis, Chris Hannafin, Marge McDonald

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- Town Meeting passed a resolution in September 2019 to form a committee to determine the eligibility requirements of the senior housing agreement with the Nordblom Company regarding the 300 additional housing units proposed to be built within Northwest Park
  - The Board of Selectmen did not take a stand on the senior housing agreement at the time because the parameters had not yet been set
  - Mike thinks the committee should be asking the developer to provide affordable unit rents below the 80% Area Median Income (AMI) that is set by HUD
  - This is a special opportunity because it allows the town to exempt the sale of an Applicant's house from the income limit criteria. It allows for seniors who are house rich and cash poor to move out and provide a home for a young family
  - Start by looking at the criteria set forth at the Grandview Farm development and work from there
    - Caveat: Grandview eligibility criteria probably wouldn't pass muster with the current fair housing laws set by HUD and the Commonwealth.
  - Mike would like to do more research and provide the group with more demographic data on the current multi-family housing developments and the affordable units within them for next meeting.
  - As part of the agreement with Nordblom, they will pay for a housing consultant of our choosing



- Likely Liz Rust
- In the final negotiation with Nordblom that was voted on and approved by Town Meeting the affordable unit rents would be based upon the 80% AMI
- We need to be careful about vetting applicants because there are always those that don't fully disclose their complete financial portfolio
- The Council on Aging has an elder law attorney that comes in from time to time. We should invite her to our meeting at some point.
- We need to look at the negotiation materials to determine when Nordblom can begin the permitting process on the additional housing.
- Marge will be chair, Secretary is TBD, Barbara will be Vice Chair
- Next Meeting: Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00, location TBD

