City Council Priorities 2019

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Below is a compilation of the Priority Items that we have received to date, of course this can be amended on Monday. The Priorities are in no particular order and I have highlighted in yellow, the Priority Items that are similar.

The following Priorities I can give an update on Monday night:

- 1. Asset Management and Capital/Infrastructure;
- 2. Campo Beacon Update;
- 3. Status update on Tioronda Bridge;
- 4. Continued discussion on Fire Department Issues;
- 5. Affordable Housing Ordinance.

I would also enjoy a further and more in-depth conversation with the Council on economic development and job creation.

- 1. Parking Operations and Parking Meter Implementation
- 2. Preserve Open Space
- 3. Study and Implementation of Beacon Line
- 4. Fire Department Issues
- 5. Explore the soon to be proposed legislation in the State Assembly to cap annual rent increases at 3%. Explore other ideas that would help to keep landlords from arbitrarily increasing rents, making it impossible for the average family to fine reasonably affordable housing.
- 6. Reach a decision on the status of the three fire houses.
- 7. Explore a way for us to do a monthly or bi-monthly recap/update of agenda items from previous workshops. I think this would be a good way to keep agenda items on our radar as well as informing the public of the status of these items.
- 8. Begin doing a thorough and comprehensive traffic study of Beacon.
- 9. Discuss affordable housing and revisit how we define it. Does the current definition accurately reflect the reality of our citizens?
- 10. Fire Department issues
- 11. Parking
- 12. South Ave bridge
- 13. Teen recreation options
- 14. Rent stabilization incentives
- 15. Appointing a Climate Smart Community coordinator with the goal to transition this into a sustainability coordinator focused more broadly on issues impacting Beacon (like the recycling crisis)
- 16. Starting a community compost program (our grant writer should be applying for that)
- 17. Identifying view sheds and what it means to protect them

- 18. Deep dive into affordable housing, including the existing workforce housing legislation (how is this working out?) and tenant rights
- 19. Economic growth and job creation in the area
- 20. Zoning work:
 - a. Extend HDLO (historic overlay) zoning to ~50-60 properties on/near Main St
 - b. Inventory HDLO potential additions in rest of city
 - c. Finish zoning tables use table far more important than dimensions table; review policy changes associated with use table changes
 - d. Review further adjustments based on new construction: e.g., Linkage (1st floor commercial all along Beekman; set back further on 9D vs. Beekman); Main St (no 4th floors directly opposite one another; review balconies over Main St)

21. Tioronda Bridge/Greenway:

- a. Engage historical bridge designer
- b. Undertake review of Greenway extension on east side of Fishkill Creek from Tioronda Bridge to Route 9D

22. Economic Development:

- a. Beacon Prison more public process, at a minimum, council ongoing updates/involvement
- b. Job Creation plan for zones/areas that can create jobs; proactive Solicitation of target employers for target sites

23. Capital/Infrastructure:

- a. Complete Capital Asset project to get overall picture
- b. Plan out capital expenditures very high level, next 20 years
- c. Identify highest need projects
- d. Develop road/sewer plans
- 24. Modest investment in two firehouses; consider reuse/sale of third firehouse