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MEETING NOTICE

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City Council Ordinance and Administration Committee

Meeting

Wednesday March 18, 2026

at 5:00 PM

City Hall Auditorium

62 Friend St.

Amesbury, MA 01913

Topics for Discussion / Agenda:

Roll Call

Minutes for Approval: February 18, 2026

Communication/Updates

Public Comment

Matters of Discussion

2026-068 An Order to amend the Amesbury Zoning Ordinance by repealing and replacing Section XI.K.3, Accessory Dwelling Units. **-Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: This zoning amendment replaces the existing ADU Ordinance to come into full compliance with Section 8 of Chapter 150 of the Acts of 2024 and the regulations under 760 CMR 71.00: Protected Use Accessory Dwelling Units.

In summary, the main changes to the existing ADU ordinance reflect the following:

- Increasing the size of permitted ADUs to 900 SF;
- Allowing ADUs in two- and multi-family structures;
- Allowing ADUs in existing residential uses located outside residential districts;
- Modifying the special permit requirements or "findings" to be consistent with M.G.L. 40A.s.6 (the Dover Amendment);
- Removing owner-occupancy requirements;
- Modifying the design and dimensional standards; and
- Including a waiver provision to the design and dimensional standards.

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