

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Unofficial Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 20, 2020
Pending Committee approval

A virtual/telephonic meeting was held via Zoom as the result of publicly declared CoVID-19 state emergency necessitating remote meetings

Commissioners present:

Michael Crowley, Chairman; Ani Chaghatzbanian, Vice Chair; Michael Lynch; Albert Franke; Peter Cozzolino

Commissioners & advisors not present:

John DePalma, Jessica Stram, Julie Nash, Paige Miglio, Pamela Staneski

Chairman Crowley called the meeting to order at 10:07AM.

Chairman Crowley explained to those present that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the proposed amendments to Article 5 of the Milford Zoning Regulations to permit digital billboards along Interstate 95.

Chairman Crowley asked Bud Franke to give a background of the proposals after which, a discussion ensued. Mr. Crowley asked if this proposal would be limited to the 6 existing billboards currently along the I-95 corridor if it would apply to all billboards within Milford's city limits. Mr. Franke explained that as the propose amendment is written, it would apply only to those 6 existing billboards currently along the I-95 corridor. Mr. Cozzolino agreed that he wishes this to be limited to those 6 existing billboards and suggested that if the commission votes in favor of supporting this proposal, we include that as part of our written letter to the Planning and Zoning Board.

Chairman Crowley asked if there was a motion to move forward with a vote. Mr. Franke made the motion to vote on the matter and Mr. Cozzolino seconded the motion.

Chairman Crowley explained that a majority vote would be needed for the commission to support the proposed amendment and moved forward with the vote:

Commission Member	AYE	NAY
Ms Chaghatzbanian	X	
Mr. Cozzolino	X	
Mr. Crowley	ABSTAIN	
Mr. DePalma	ABSENT	
Mr. Franke	X	
Mr. Lynch	X	
Ms Stram	ABSENT	

Chairman Crowley counted 4 out of 4 votes in favor of the EDC Commission offering their support to the proposed amendments to Article 5 of the Milford Zoning Regulations to permit digital billboards along Interstate 95. Accordingly, he will be drafting a letter detailing the commission's support to be sent to Jim Quish, Chairman of the Milford Planning and Zoning Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM. A motion was unanimously carried to finalize the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Crowley
EDC Chairman