Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw Update and Zoning for MBTA Communities

Town of Manchester-by-the-Sea

MBTS Task Force
Pre-Meeting Package for March 14 Meeting







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1.
Requested Scenarios
Tested Under Modified Zoning



Zoning Parameters and Modifications for Scenario Tests

		Existing Zoning	
District Name	D-2	G	LCD
Minimum Lot Size	6,000 SF	6,000 SF	6,000 SF (the minimum lot size for business is 5 acres)
Open Space	50%	30%	40%
Parking Spaces/Dwelling Unit	1.5 spaces	1.5 spaces	1.5 spaces
Height	2.5	2.5	2.5
	40% is the minimum for structures	40% is the minimum for structures	40% is the minimum for structures
Maximum Lot Coverage	50% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces	70% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces	60% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces

Scenario 1: Minimum Compliance

District Name	Modified Lower Pine Street	Morse / Saw Mill	Powder House/ Elm St	Valentine	Station Area Test	MAC + Med. Ctr.	Total
Old Name	Modified 1-B	1-C	1-D			А	
Existing Zoning	D2	G	G			LCD	
District Acreage	5.3	7.6	2.8		15.7	23	38.7 ✔
District Density Denominator	5.3	7.6	2.7		15.6	18.9	34.5
Acres within Station Area	5.3	7.6	2.8		15.7 🗸	0	15.7
Final Unit Capacity per District	82	174	81		337 🗸	529	866 🗸
DU/AC	15.5	22.9	30.2		21.6	28.1	25.1 🗸

Contiguity Tests	
Total Acres	38.7
50% Contiguity	19.35
Test 1: Modified Lower Pine St, Morse/Saw Mill, Powder House/Elm	15.7 X
Test 2: MAC + Med Ctr	23 🗸

Targets: 37 acres | 50% or 18.5 contiguous acres | 559 units | 15 du/acre Station Area Targets: 40% or 14.8 acres and 224 units



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Scenario 2: Compliant

District Name	Modified Lower Pine Street		Powder House/ Elm St	Valentine	Station Area Test	MAC + Med. Ctr.	Total
Old Name		1-C	1-D	New		Α	
Existing Zoning		G	G	G		LCD	
District Acreage		7.6	2.8	5.1	15.5	23	38.5 🗸
District Density Denominator		7.6	2.7	5.1	15.4	18.9	34.3
Acres within Station Area		7.6	2.8	5.1	15.5 🗸	0	15.5
Final Unit Capacity per District		174	81	117	372 🗸	529	901√
DU/AC		22.9	30.2	23.1	24.16	28.1	26.27 🗸

Contiguity Tests	
Total Acres	38.5
50% Contiguity	19.25
Test 1: Morse/Saw Mill, Powder House/Elm	10.4 X
Test 2: MAC + Gurley	23 🗸

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Scenario 3: Non-Compliant (Contiguity)

District Name	Lower Pine Street	Morse / Saw Mill	Powder House/ Elm St	Brook/ Desmond	Station Area Test	Med. Ctr.	Total
Old Name	1-B	1-C	1-D	G-1		A-1	
Existing Zoning	D2	G	G	G		LCD	
District Acreage	8.8	7.6	2.8	10.4	29.6	13	42.6
District Density Denominator	8.8	7.6	2.7	10.2	29.3	11.7	29.3
Acres within Station Area	8.7	7.6	2.8	10.4	29.5 🗸	0	29.5
Final Unit Capacity per District	133	174	81	275	663 🗸	340	1,003 🗸
DU/AC	15.1	22.9	30.2	27	22.63	24.5	34.23 🗸

Contiguity Tests	
Total Acres	42.6
50% Contiguity	21.3
Test 1: Lower Pine, Morse/Saw Mill, Powder House Elm	19.2 X
Test 2: Med Ctr.	13 X

Not compliant because the contiguity requirement is not met.

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2. Scenarios 1 and 2: Minimally Compliant

Modified Zoning Parameters: Scenario 1A

	Existing Zoning					
District Name	D-2	G	LCD			
Minimum Lot Size	6,000 SF	6,000 SF	5 acres			
Open Space	50%	30%	40%			
Parking Spaces/Dwelling Unit	1.5 spaces	1.5 spaces	1.5 spaces			
Height	2.5	2.5	2.5			
	40% is the minimum for structures	40% is the minimum for structures	40% is the minimum for structures			
Maximum Lot Coverage	50% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces	70% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces	60% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces			
Maximum dwelling units per acre			12			



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Scenario 1A: Minimal Compliance

District Name	Modified Lower Pine Street	Morse / Saw Mill	Powder House/ Elm St	Valentine	Station Area Test	MAC + Med. Ctr.	Total
Old Name	Modified 1-B	1-C	1-D			А	
Existing Zoning	D2	G	G			LCD	4
District Acreage	5.3	7.6	2.8		15.7	23	38.7 ✓
District Density Denominator	5.3	7.6	2.7		15.6	18.9	34.5
Acres within Station Area	5.3	7.6	2.8		15.7 🗸	0	15.7
Final Unit Capacity per District	82	174	81		337 🗸	237	574 🗸
DU/AC	15.5	22.9	30.2		21.6	12.6	16.64 🗸

Contiguity Tests	
Total Acres	38.7
50% Contiguity	19.35
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Test 2: MAC + Med Ctr	23 🗸

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Modified Zoning Parameters: Scenario 2A

		Existing Zoning	
District Name	D-2	G	LCD
Minimum Lot Size	6,000 SF	6,000 SF	5 acres
Open Space	50%	30%	40%
Parking Spaces/Dwelling Unit	1.5 spaces	1.5 spaces	1.5 spaces
Height	2.5	2.5	2.5
	40% is the minimum for structures	40% is the minimum for structures	40% is the minimum for structures
Maximum Lot Coverage	50% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces	70% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces	60% is the maximum for structures and impervious surfaces
Maximum dwelling units per acre	28	28	12



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Scenario 2A: Minimal Compliance

District Name	Modified Lower Pine Street	Morse / Saw Mill	Powder House/ Elm St	Valentine	Station Area Test	MAC + Med. Ctr.	Total
Old Name		1-C	1-D	New		А	
Existing Zoning		G	G	G		LCD	
District Acreage		7.6	2.8	5.1	15.5	23	38.5 🗸
District Density Denominator		7.6	2.7	5.1	15.4	18.9	34.3
Acres within Station Area		7.6	2.8	5.1	15.5 🗸	0	15.5
Final Unit Capacity per District		171	76	111	358 🗸	237	595√
DU/AC		22.5	28.3	21.9	23.25	12.6	17.35 🗸

Contiguity Tests	
Total Acres	38.5
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Test 2: MAC + Gurley	23 🗸

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