CHESTER SELECTBOARD

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

PROPOSED INTERIM AMENDMENT TO UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT BYLAWS

The Chester Selectboard will convene a public hearing on a proposed Interim Bylaws amendment to the Town of Chester Unified Development Bylaws on **Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.** at the Chester Town Hall at 556 Elm Street in Chester, Vermont. The proposed Interim Bylaws amendment is being considered at the request of the Planning Commission and pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 4415.

The principal purpose of the proposed Interim Bylaws amendment is to expand the time from two years to five years that a nonconforming use, if discontinued, may be re-established. The Interim Bylaws amendment, if adopted, is limited in duration to two years and will apply to all zoning districts in the Town of Chester.

The proposed Interim Bylaws amendment consists of changing “two years” to “five years” under Article 3.19 (Non-Conformities), Section D (Nonconforming Uses), Subsection 1(b) of the Town of Chester Unified Development Bylaws as follows:

The nonconforming use shall not be re-established if such use has been discontinued for a period of **five years** or has been changed to, or replaced by, a conforming use. Intent to resume a nonconforming use shall not confer the right to do so.

A link to participate in this hearing via Zoom videoconference may be found on the Town of Chester website home page at [www.chestervt.gov](http://www.chestervt.gov) under Zoom Meetings: Select Board Meeting.

Dated at Chester, Vermont this 5th day of January 2022.

_Julie Hance,_  
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Town of Chester, Vermont