PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT BYLAWS

The Chester Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Town of Chester Unified Development Bylaws on **Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.** at the Chester Town Hall at 556 Elm Street in Chester, Vermont. This public notice is given pursuant to 24 V.S.A. Section 4444.

The principal purpose of the proposed development bylaws amendment is to implement reforms required by S.100 (Act 47) known as the "Housing Opportunities Made for Everyone" or HOME legislation, to implement the recommendations in "Enabling Better Places: A Zoning Guide for Vermont Neighborhoods" published by the Vermont Agency of Commerce & Community Development, to better define uses including art studio and/or gallery, club, and bar/tavern/pub, and to enable the approval of food trucks, food carts and food stands.

The proposed amendment will affect every geographical area of Chester. The amended Sections of the Bylaws include 2.3 Village Center District, 2.3.1 Village Green District, 2.4 Mixed Use District (was Residential-Commercial), 2.5 General Business District (was Commercial-Industrial), 2.6 Stone Village District, 2.7 Neighborhood District (was R-20 and portions of R-40), 8.2 Definitions, and adding 3.31 Food Trucks, Food Carts, and Food Stands.

The full text of the proposed amendment to the Town of Chester Unified Development Bylaws may be viewed at the Town Clerk's office and on the home page of the Town's website at <u>www.chestervt.gov</u>.

Dated at Chester, Vermont this 21st day of September 2023.

Hugh Quinn, Planning Commission Chair