



TO:	Franklin Zoning Board of Appeals Bruce Hunchard, Chair	DATE:	March 28, 2024
FROM:	Steven C. Findlen	HSH PROJECT NO.:	2024004.00
SUBJECT:	Transportation Peer Review – Final 121 Grove Street, Franklin, Massachusetts		

Howard Stein Hudson (HSH) has completed our transportation engineering peer review of the materials prepared for the proposed residential development located at 121 Grove Street (the Project) in Franklin, Massachusetts and offer the following as final guidance to the Board.

The following is a summary timeline of the correspondence between HSH and the Applicant.

- The review is based on the *Transportation Impact Assessment, Proposed Residential Development 121 Grove Street, Franklin, Massachusetts (TIA)*, prepared by Vanasse & Associates, Inc. (VAI), October 2023; and *Grove Street Residences 121 Grove Street – Franklin, MA Plan Set*, prepared by RJO’Connell & Associates, Inc. (RJOC), December 18, 2023.
- Our initial comments were included in a letter dated January 23, 2024.
- The Applicant submitted a response to the Franklin Zoning Board of Appeals that included a response letter dated February 8, 2024, from VAI, and a technical appendix which includes site plans prepared by RJOC, revised February 5, 2024.
- Our supplemental comments were included in a letter dated February 14, 2024.
- The Applicant submitted a response to the Franklin Zoning Board of Appeals that included a response letter dated March 8, 2024, from VAI, and a technical appendix which includes site plans prepared by RJOC, revised February 5, 2024.
- Our supplemental comments were included in a letter dated March 12, 2024.

The Applicant’s team has satisfied all our previous technical comments to the point that we can recommend to the Board the project is technically feasible and will comply with all pertinent local and state requirements once fully designed. We recommend if the Board approves the project a condition should be included requiring the Applicant submit final plans and supporting documentation prior to application for a Building Permit. Attorney Bobrowski has standard



language for such a condition that will include an opportunity for the Board to have these plans and documents peer reviewed.

From our reviews, we would also like to suggest the following additional conditions:

1. The Applicant provide to the Board the overall construction schedule, working hours, number of construction workers, worker transportation and parking plan, number of construction vehicles, and routes to and from the Project site as part of the Construction Plan to be submitted prior to any construction activities taking place.

HSH is happy to review a draft decision to provide further guidance and input to the Board.

If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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