



TOWN OF SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
By the Salem Town Council

Resolution #2025-29

Amendments to Zoning Amendments as Recommended by Planning Board

WHEREAS: The Town Council has authorization to enact or amend ordinances as permitted by the Town Charter; and

WHEREAS: The Planning Board has presented to the Town Council proposed amendments to the current Zoning Ordinance (Salem Municipal Code Chapter 490) for consideration and adoption; and

WHEREAS: The proposed amendments to the ordinance are summarized as follows:

1. **Revising Residential Definitions to Exclude Transient Uses (490-107-Definition):** Proposing to revise the definition of residential uses to expressly prohibit transient occupancies such as hotels, motels, short-term rentals, rooming and boarding houses.
2. **Revising Accessory Dwelling Units Ordinance to Comply with State Law (490-801 and 490-107):** Proposing to modify the accessory apartment ordinance to comply with HB 577/RSA 647:71.
3. **Updating Parking Requirements for Residential Uses to Comply with State Law (490-701):** Proposing to reduce residential parking requirements to one space per unit to comply with SB 284/RSA 674:16, VII.
4. **Wetland Mitigation Monitoring (490-706):** Proposing to require a performance guarantee and post construction monitoring requirements for wetland mitigation areas. ***Supplemental Recommendation:*** This amendment received unanimous (6-0) recommendation from the Conservation Commission on August 6, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SALEM TOWN COUNCIL THAT:

The Salem Town Council hereby authorizes zoning amendments to Salem Municipal Code (SMC) Chapter 490-107, 490-801, 490-701, and 490-706, as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board.

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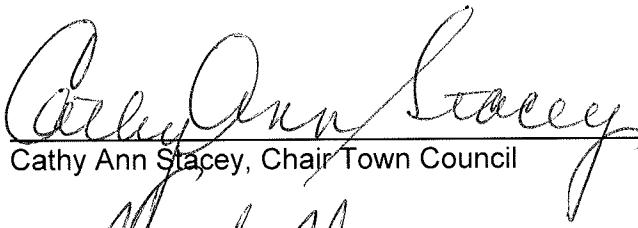
First Reading: September 8, 2025

Second Reading: September 22, 2025

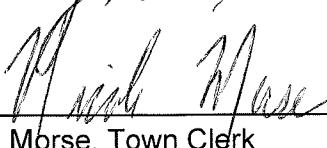
Approval: September 22, 2025

VOTING RECORD			
Date of Vote:	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Councilor Bettencourt	✓		
Councilor Bryant	✓		
Councilor Hatch	✓		
Councilor Pelletier	✓		
Councilor Stramaglia	✓		
Councilor Wright	✓		
Secretary Withrow	✓		
Vice-Chair Hatch	✓		
Chair Stacey	✓		
Total Votes:	9	—	—
Resolution: Does	Does Not pass.		

Approved:


Cathy Ann Stacey

A True Copy Attest:


Nicole Morse, Town Clerk