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To: Land Use, Zoning and Sustainability Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee

From: Sigalle Reiss, Commissioner of Public Health & Human Services

CC: Advisory Council on Public Health

Date: September 13, 2022

Re: Warrant Article 37: Amend Article 4.07 of the Town' Zoning By-Laws to allow for the keeping of bees

The Public Health and Human Services Department regulates the keeping of animals including bees. Applicants that meet the requirements are permitted and inspected annually. The petitioner included the requirements in the warrant article explanation. Requirements include limits on number of hives, hive structures, bee keeper training, physical plans and maintenance requirements as well as inspection access.

The proposed warrant article and zoning changes would not change the Department's procedures and would not have a significant impact on the Department's operations.