



Town of Ashland

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Planning Board

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 7:15 PM

Location: Ashland Town Hall, Second Floor Select Board Hearing Room

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1. 7:15 PM – Call Meeting to Order
2. Chair/Clerk’s Report
3. Public Comment
 - a. Informal Discussion: Caroline Estates Preliminary Subdivision
4. Public Meetings
 - a. **Ballard Road/Highland Road – ANR**

The Planning Board will meet to review the ANR plan for abutting lots off of Ballard Road and Highland Road proposed by Depietri Group LLC.

5. Public Hearings

- a. **Memorial Drive – YMCA**

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The Planning Board will hear the petition of MetroWest Young Men’s Christian Association, Inc. requesting Specials Permits, Site Plan Review, Design Plan Review and Site Alteration Special Permit per Chapter 40A, Section 6 of the Massachusetts Zoning Act and Chapter 282, 9.3 (Special Permits), 9.6 (Design Plan Review), 9.4 (Site Plan Review) and 5.8 (Site Alteration Special Permit) of the Ashland Bylaws. The applicant is proposing to develop a full-service YMCA, an Early Learning Center, outdoor playground area, parking, walking paths, soccer fields, and associated utility services and landscaping. The total area of development will be 12.55 acres. The property in question is located at 30 Memorial Dr,



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Assessors Map 13, Lot 178 and located in the underlying Rail Transit District, more specifically RTD-C and RTD-D.

b. **240-260 Pleasant Street – SPR, DPR & Site Alteration SP**
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To be

The Planning Board will hear the petition of MetroWest Facilities LLC requesting Site Plan Review, Design Plan Review and Site Alteration Special Permit per Chapter 40A, Section 6 of the Massachusetts Zoning Act and Chapter 282, 9.6 (Design Plan Review), 9.4 (Site Plan Review) and 5.8 (Site Alteration Special Permit) of the Ashland Bylaws. The applicant is proposing to develop a recreational youth soccer field, a tot-lot playground area, additional permeable parking, modified two-way site access driveway, pedestrian walkway connection to the abutting parcel to the west, associated stormwater management facilities, utility services, landscaping and electrical conduits or direct bury electrical wiring for future lighting on the field. This soccer field will serve as an ancillary use to the current facility (MetroWest Christian Academy & Connect Church). The total area of development will be 1.9 acres. The property in question is located at 240-260 Pleasant Street, Assessors Map 13, Lot 108 & 109 and located in the underlying Industrial District, Groundwater Protection Overlay District and MBTA Communities Multi-Family Overlay District (MCMOD).

c. **In-Law Apartments – Zoning Bylaws Amendment**

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L, Ch 40A, Section 5, the Ashland Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on proposed amendments to the Ashland Zoning Bylaws. The changes proposed are to add Section 7.8 in the Ashland Bylaws (In-law Apartments), and amend Section 3.0 Use Regulations – 3.1.G. Table of Use Regulations – Accessory Uses.

6. **Planning Board Task List:** Discussion and Comment

7. Reports

- a. Community Preservation Committee
- b. Metro West Regional Collaborative
- c. Comprehensive Plan

8. Administrative Matters

- a. Planning Updates
 - Ongoing & New Projects
 - Housing Production Plan
 - Update on 40Bs and SHI
- b. Minutes Review: January 8
- c. Upcoming Meetings: February 12



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9. Adjournment