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Subject: MBTA task force question

To all, just a quick question. In Newton their new zoning will be sent to the state where the officials will determine if they meet all the criteria. One of the concerns their planning board is having is that the state may not count portions of the new zoning where building heights are limited and commercial space and affordable units are required. Their concern is they are saying developers have said these restrictions may make some projects financially unfeasible when the other requirements are factored in. I believe we have zoning caps regarding heights in Manchester. Is this something we should be concerned about? Is this something our consultant has discussed?

Again, we don't know the outcome of Newtons zoning proposal to the state but if their zoning is rejected and they cannot restrict height this would be concerning here in Manchester?

Best Donna