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Sent: Friday, March 26, 2021 10:22 AM
To: Katelyn E. Sullivan
Cc: Lisa Mead
Subject: RE: Definitive Subdivision Approval Application for 21-25 Hancock Street and 27 Hancock Street

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When you have a moment, can you please pass your comments on to me? Our Subdivision Rules say that the Board of Health shall report in writing to the Planning Board either Approval or Disapproval. Please see plans here. Please let me know if you want to discuss or if you want me to have the applicant reach out to you to go over plans.

Katelyn

Good Morning-

Please note that the applicant has filed updated plans for the proposed project at 21-25 Hancock Street and 27 Hancock Street. The applicant has made the following revisions: updated Landscape Plan with caliper and diameter of the proposed trees, updated civil engineering plans including stormwater report and updated architectural plans.

Please review the plans here. If you have comments, suggested revisions or concerns to pass on to the Planning Board before approval, please let me know. The applicant will be before the Planning Board on 4/7.

Please send in your comments to kesullivan@cityofnewburyport.com.

Thank you,
Katelyn

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Good Afternoon-
Please note that we have received a Definitive Subdivision Approval Application for 21-25 Hancock Street and 27 Hancock Street. The properties are located in the R2 zoning district and the Demolition Control Overlay District. The properties are adjacent to the Rail Trail in the South End. On the 27 Hancock Street property, the applicant proposes to renovate and convert the existing historic single-family home into a two-family home. On the 21-25 Hancock Street property, the applicant proposes to remove the existing non-conforming industrial services use and structure and construct a new two-family home on the lot. The two new structures will be served by an existing paved private way to be formalized into Leavitt Court. The applicant is also before the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and based on recent discussion at ZBA public meetings, the footprint and design are expected to be revised but those revisions should not drastically change the layout of the site or the proposed use.

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