



TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

March 14, 2024

We, the Environmental Sustainability Committee, support the proposed MBTA Communities Multi-Family Overlay District zoning bylaw put forward by the Planning Board. In particular, we support the location of this district near Wakefield Center to encourage walking, biking, and other transit around town and thus reducing reliance on single-occupancy vehicles. We support the intention to increase residential density in proximity to the Commuter Rail station and local bus stops, as a way to reduce the housing crisis without further exacerbating the climate crisis. We encourage the town to further reduce the per-unit parking requirements in the future, in order to preserve green space and optimize living space.

