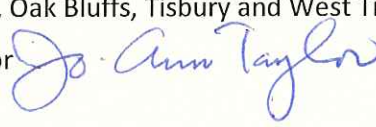


Memorandum

To: Town of Chilmark – Town Clerk  
Planning Board  
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Towns of Aquinnah, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and West Tisbury - Town Clerks

From: Jo-Ann Taylor, DCPC Coordinator   
Martha's Vineyard Commission

Date: June 23, 2017

Re: Conformance of Amended Regulations for Coastal District in Chilmark

Please be advised that on Thursday, June 22, 2017, the Commission heard proposed amendments to the regulations governing the Coastal District in the Town of Chilmark and voted conformance of the proposed regulations with the guidelines for development as specified in the Commission's decision designating the District.

The Commission noted:

- The Town could have asked for Special Permit relief for the 10' roadway width, but chose to keep the restriction; only stating provision for greater width for pedestrian use.
- The amendments make for a more restrictive permission; requiring 2/3 vote by Town Meeting.

The Town of Chilmark voted the amendments at the Special Town Meeting of April 24, 2017, by at least a 2/3 majority. No further action is required, and the Town may proceed to administer the amendments as follows:

**Article 11: Districts of Critical Planning Concern (Overlay Districts)**

To amend Section 11.6.A.2 of the Chilmark Zoning By-laws by:

- (1) re-numbering the current subsection 11.6.A.2.b as 11.6.A.2.c;
- (2) re-numbering the current subsection 11.6.A.2.c as 11.6.A.2.d; and
- (3) adding the following text as subsection 11.6.A.2.b; and
- (4) amending subsection 11.6.A.2.d(4), as re-numbered and as shown below with the *italicized text*, as follows:

b. With respect only to those portions of the Chilmark Coastal District that are located within the Squibnocket Pond District (the boundaries of which are defined in Section 3.1.H of this bylaw), reconstruction and/or relocation of existing roadways, including the addition of elevated sections or causeways, provided that the Conservation Commission approves the proposed work within its jurisdiction under an order of conditions (following referral to and approval by the Martha's Vineyard Commission if required by St. 1977, c. 831, as amended, or the regulations promulgated thereunder). For roadways, including the addition of elevated sections or

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causeways, in connection with a project providing a public benefit as approved by a two thirds majority vote of a Special or Annual Town Meeting, the restriction set forth in Section 11.6.A.2.d.4 shall not be applicable and the Conservation Commission's review and the Martha's Vineyard Commission's review (if required) under this provision shall be the sole review required under Article 11 of the Zoning By-laws. This provision does not eliminate review of roadways, including those with the addition of elevated sections or causeways, not submitted to Town Meeting for approval as providing a public benefit.

4) Roads that do not exceed ten (10) feet, *but roads may have an additional area to accommodate pedestrian travel, provided that the entire width does not exceed fifteen (15) feet.*