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CITY OF NEWTON

Planning and Development Board

May 14, 2021

The Honorable City Council President, Susan Albright
City of Newton
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
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CC: Honorable Newton City Council

RE: #145-21 Request for Chapter 30 Amendment to establish regulations for gun establishments HER HONOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, KRINTZMAN, LEARY, OLIVER, GREENBERG, NORTON, LUCAS, KELLEY, WRIGHT, MALAKIE, MARKIEWICZ, GENTILE, DOWNS, CROSSLEY, HUMPHREY, DANBERG, NOEL, BOWMAN, LAREDO, GROSSMAN, BAKER, LIPOF, KALIS AND RYAN requesting amendments to the Newton Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 30, including, but not limited to, the addition of definitions of "Firearm" and "Firearm Businesses", and amendments to Section 4.4.1 Allowed Uses and Section 6.10 Restricted Uses to regulate the use of land, structures and buildings for the siting and operation of gun ranges or the retail or wholesale operation involving gunsmithing, the purchase or sale of firearms, the sale of ammunition, or firearms accessories, and to restrict such uses to the Business 4, Mixed Use 1, Manufacturing, and Light Manufacturing Districts only and only upon the granting of a special permit, and to establish minimum standards and criteria for the granting of such special permits.

Dear Honorable Council President Albright:

The Planning and Development Board held its discussion on docket item #145-21 at a joint meeting with the Zoning and Planning Committee on May 13, 2021. At the meeting the Planning Board passed the following motion by a vote of six in favor, none opposed, and Director Heath abstaining:

To recommend to the City Council the approval of the Planning and Development Department's recommended zoning changes, as amended, for Docket Item #145-21.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter B. Doeringer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P' and a long, sweeping underline.

Peter B. Doeringer, Chair