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**Subject:** Code Enforcement

Kris and Chris,

As requested, I did a bit more research on the code enforcement process.

I spoke with Lucy St John, the Planning and Zoning Administrator in New London. I asked her how the Town, Contractors and Business and Private Home owners deal with New London's system. Lucy told me that Town does not enforce the State Building Code and that they do not issue certificates of occupancy. I asked her what the Contractors and owners do for inspections of building projects. She stated they do enforce the Zoning requirements, and inspect for Fire Safety and Health issues. Beyond that, they do not offer any support on how to meet any other requirements.

I called a couple of contractors who do work in Towns with no Code Enforcement. I also called a number of Banks who provide mortgages in Towns with no NH State Building Code Enforcement. Most had the initial response of "that is a great question", which, to my mind says, they don't have a clue. The choice is left to the Mortgage Broker. One did some research and called me back and stated, "we require what the Town requires". I expect a few return calls and will let you know what the other banks response is.

With that, attached with this email are two recommendations on changes to our Zoning Ordinance regarding building code enforcement. One cleans up the existing ordinance to have a complete enforcement mechanism., the other does away with any Town responsibility for enforcement of the State Building Code. The original, existing language notes that we do enforce zoning, fire safety and public health. That is not changed in either version.

I hope the board can choose to discuss this question fully, and act to put the choices on the Town Warrant for this year.

With Scott Dias on the agenda to talk about code enforcement. we should have the opportunity to have a complete discussion and make a decision on the topic.

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