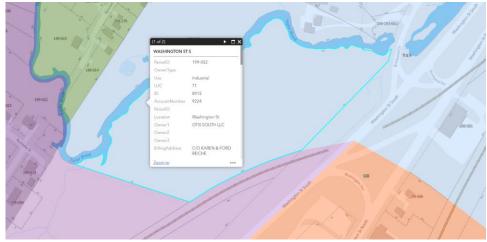


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To: Auburn Planning Board From: Katherine Cook, Planning Coordinator Re: Staff Report: Brickyard Commons Extension Request Date: July 11, 2023

I. **Proposal:** Brickyard Commons is requesting an extension of the approvals for the Brickyard Commons project originally approved on June 28, 2022. this item is pursuant to Sec. 60-1308.- Expiration of approval.



II. Planning Board Action: Staff suggests Planning Board vote in favor of extending the approval for Brickyard Commons project pursuant to Sec. 60-1308- Expiration of approval.

III. Suggested Findings:

1. Michael Gotto submitted a letter on May 22, 2023, requesting an extension of the project for one year, meeting the requirement that "a single one-year extension may be given upon a showing of good cause in writing by the applicant to the planning board not less than 30 days before the expiration of approval of his existing plan," (Sec. 60-1308).

2. The applicant has not been able to move forward with the project approved at the June 28, 2022, Planning Board meeting because the terms of a purchase agreement JIG had for the sale of the approved project could not be met, but they are marketing the project still to interested parties. The project was originally delayed until Sept. 15, 2022, when they secured approvals from Maine DEP for wetland impacts.

3. The applicant believes that with additional time, they will be able to solidify the purchase agreement with a buyer, and the project can be completed.

IV. Suggested Motion: I make a motion to approve a one-year extension, until June 28, 2024, for an extension to be granted to Brickyard Commons project originally approved on June 28, 2022, under Sec. 60-1308. All conditions of the Letter of Approval sent on September 19, 2022.