

Jason Garnham

From: Ali Goodwin, Realtor® Haven Homes + Lifestyle at KWCLM <ali@aligoodwin.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2023 11:11 AM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Letter of Support for Mainspring Project at 22 Shapleigh Rd.

Mr. Graham,

I am writing to express my sincere support for the Mainspring project at 22 Shapleigh Rd.. Never in the history of our collective seacoast, have we needed more cohesive support of our most vulnerable and marginalized community members. The need has never been greater. We are extremely fortunate to have Emily Flinkstrom and Megan Shapiro Ross in such substantive rolls that they can create real change for so many. With their keen foresight, we are able to take advantage of an opportunity to turn 22 Shapleigh Rd. into a one-stop-shop of social services that will not only make it easier for community members to get the help they need, it will turn an otherwise under-utilized property into a positively thriving HUB of community support and much-needed affordable housing.

Thank you for your consideration of the important work that organizations like Fair Tide and Footprints are doing every day to change lives.

Warmly,

Ali Goodwin, Fair Tide Board Chair

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From: Diane Harvey <harveyheinl@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 4:05 PM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Letter of Support for Mainspring

Dear members of the Planning Board,

My husband and I are full supporters of Mainspring and early donors to the Capital Campaign. As a member of Trustees of Trusts for the past four years, I am well aware of the needs in our community, and how organizations such as Fair Tide, Footprints, York County Community Outreach, Fuel and More and others are working overtime to serve people who live in Kittery. To be able to work cooperatively and efficiently in one central location and to make it easier for people to access the services they need is a win-win; and we are excited for Mainspring to help Kittery grow healthy and resilient residents. In fact, I believe this model of offering services will not only better serve clients but will also be able to finally begin to address the root causes of hunger and homelessness.

We moved here 17 years ago and with two professional incomes were able to purchase a home. Given the current prices however, we would not be able now to afford a house. I know from my work on the Trustees of Trusts, that the Town of Kittery has lost staff because of the lack of affordable housing; my doctor's office cannot be open full time because they can't find nursing staff due to the lack of housing; the congregation we attend has looked for an associate minister for over a year and no one wants to come because there is no affordable housing, restaurants have closed because of lack of staffing due to lack of housing. For Kittery to thrive as a community, we need affordable housing for teachers, nurses, firefighters, chefs, servers, nursing home staff, - housing for all sorts of people at all income levels. We strongly urge you to support not only Mainspring's cooperative services hub, but also the 6 units of affordable housing that will be built. They are absolutely needed.

Thank you,
Diane L. Harvey
John M. Heint
190 Brave Boat Harbor Rd.
Kittery Point, ME 03905

Jason Garnham

From: Debora Martin <dclairem1@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2023 6:52 AM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: 22 Shapleigh Road

I am writing to express my support for the proposed development at 22 Shapleigh Road. Kittery's local nonprofits have worked tirelessly to make this increase in affordable housing possible. I applaud them.

Debora C. Martin
97 Pepperrell Road
Kittery Point, Maine 03903

Jason Garnham

From: Erin Brochu <brochuerin@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 8:17 AM
To: Jason Garnham
Cc: Emily Flinkstrom
Subject: 22 Shapleigh Rd Public comment for Thursday's meeting

Hi Jay,

Please share this letter of support at Thursday's planning board meeting.

My name is Erin Brochu. I live on School Street in Kittery. I have supported Fairtide and Footprints for years and am thrilled to hear of their upcoming Mainspring project on 22 Shapleigh Rd. I live just around the corner from this property and couldn't think of a better place to put these services in town. Putting these two non-profits under the same roof is a WIN WIN for the entire community!

The current building is sad and in need of an update. The proposed designs add vitality to the location, and the addition of 6 affordable housing units is a huge plus!

Please support Fairtide and Footprints in making this project a reality. I know that my family does!

Thank you,
Erin Brochu
School St Kittery

Jason Garnham

From: Jill Farrell <jill@fsgworks.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2023 12:51 PM
To: Jason Garnham
Cc: Tim Farrell
Subject: Public Comment in support of 22 Shapleigh Rd.

Hi there,

My name is Jill Farrell and together with my husband, Tim (CC'd) I am a resident of 11 Cross St., Kittery. I am submitting public comment in full and enthusiastic support of the Site Plan for 22 Shapleigh Rd. I believe the addition of a 6-unit residential building is a perfect fit for both the site and the neighborhood. The location of the building and the layout of the architectural plans are in keeping with the district and its location will allow for the residents of the building to walk to many needed places including Walgreens, Kittery Hardware, Corner Store, restaurant and post office. This is a great move for the town to enable a more walkable and accessible environment in the Kittery Center Village which is so desperately needed. Slowing traffic is a must in that particular stretch of Shapleigh Rd. especially with the connectivity to the KCC. Having a more walkable and bikable Kittery is something I feel strongly about and hope to see more efforts towards supporting. Having more residential activity as well as the plans for the Footprints Market and Fair Tide Thrift Store in that location will serve to create more of a village center which the space is ripe for. Secondly and equally as important the fact that these units will be affordable housing is hugely important to me both as a neighbor and tax payer. Kittery prioritizing efforts to support and uplift affordable housing options is essential to the town continuing to be a welcoming and diverse town for all - not just the wealthy. Enabling all who want to live, work and play here to do so is something I fully and wholeheartedly support.

Thank you,
Jill Farrell
11 Cross St., Kittery, ME

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"Trust your gut, forgive yourself, be grateful." - Cheryl Strayed

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From: Lindsay Elitharp <l.j.elitharp@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 9:32 AM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Planning Board Meeting - Mainspring

Good morning Mr. Garnham,

I'm a Kittery resident writing in enthusiastic support of Mainspring's development at 22 Shapleigh. Like most of the Seacoast, Kittery is in great need of affordable housing. Mainspring's proposed addition of 6 affordable housing units is a win for Kittery, even if some don't see it that way. The development is being led by two local agencies with deep roots and investment in making Kittery a stronger and healthier community, and I trust that they will manage this new initiative with great care for their surrounding neighbors.

Thank you,
Lindsay Elitharp
16 Whipple Rd, Kittery, ME 03904

Jason Garnham

From: Lillian Buckley <sisbuck@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2023 12:00 AM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: 22 Shapleigh Road Kittery ME

Dear Mr Garnham: I am sending you this email because I will not be able to attend the public hearing on 2/9/23 regarding the proposed development of the property located at 22 Shapleigh Road in Kittery Maine. My family and I live at 3 and 5 Buckley Way in Kittery, Maine, adjacent to the property to be developed for the housing of Fair Tide, the food pantry and a 6 unit residential building. We are in full support of repurposing the property at 22 Shapleigh Road. With the shortage of affordable housing here in the Seacoast area, the 6 unit residential building will enable individuals to live in this area and work at the numerous locations nearby that are looking for seasonal as well as year-round employees. The pantry provides very healthy food choices for those needing assistance and the Fair Tide Office provides support for homeless in their quest for housing at an affordable price. Having these three entities in one central location sends a message about Kittery: we are serious about helping those who are struggling financially to find adequate housing and a better way of life. The Buckley Family has lived at this location since 1978 and we enthusiastically support this upgrade here in Kittery.

Sincerely
Rev Dr Lillian J Buckley

Lillian Buckley
sisbuck@gmail.com

Jason Garnham

From: Lisa von Schlegell <lvs@saber.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 10:16 PM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Public comment to 2023 Feb 07 Planning Board ITEM 1 – 22 Shapleigh Road– Preliminary Site Plan Review

Re: 2023 Feb 07 Planning Board ITEM 1 – 22 Shapleigh Road– Preliminary Site Plan Review

I'm writing in support of the Fair Tide proposal for 22 Shapleigh Road. Fair Tide provides many needed services in Kittery, and that seems like a good location for additional residential units. I'm speaking as a near neighbor of the proposed development.

With the additional traffic, I do think the light on the intersection of Buckley Way/Manson Ave and Shapleigh Road should change to a controlled intersection rather than yield.

I'd also like to see, at least as a goal, protected pedestrian and bicycle access ideally from the Navy Yard gate 2 to Route 1 on Shapleigh, and then on Route 1 to Walker Road.

Thank you,

Lisa von Schlegell
8 Buckley Way

Jason Garnham

From: Michael Lee <mlee1347@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 11:58 AM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Mainspring

To the Planning Board: I am writing to express my full support for the proposed Mainspring project on Shapleigh Road. I believe the project will enhance our community on many levels, and will be seen as an asset to our town, as it continues to be a welcoming place to people of all socioeconomic strata.

Thank you,
Michael Lee
591 Haley Rd.
Kittery Point
(207) 216-0027

Jason Garnham

From: SUSAN AVIS <sjamountaintop@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 8:01 PM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Full support for Mainspring

To be considered at the February 9th Kittery Public Hearing:

I am fully in favor of the plans to use the lot at 22 Shapleigh to consolidate the services of Footprints and Fair Tide.

1. This project will provide 6 affordable housing units, which are very much needed in Kittery.
2. Mainspring is a model to be proud of. It will house several agencies who can collaborate and serve community members-in-need. I look forward to volunteering.

Thank you for the work being done to strengthen our community.

Sincerely,

Susan Jacobsohn Avis
9 Cook Street
Unit 2
Kittery, Maine 03904

Public input by Suzanne (Suzy Courage) Johnson Admiralty Village Abutter

KITTERY PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING FEBRUARY 9, 2023 - MainSpring development

Hello, My name is Suzanne (Suzy Courage) Johnson. I am a client recipient & donor of Food Bank Pantry called "Foot Prints". I ask that you hear & record and make public my input please.

The valuable information I am destined to give now concerns all facets of plans for

"MainSpring" 22 Shapleigh Road, Kittery, Maine tonight, thank you. *I am an abutter. My roots are in Kittery, though I VOLUNTEER + help in 3rd world countries,*

My paternal heritage is recorded back to 1612 in Kittery Maine & New Hampshire seacoast.

My father, was born in Kittery in the 1800's, same as his ancestors were hundreds of centuries ago. He disliked automobiles, so we use to walk through Kittery & 22 Shapleigh Road during the late 1940's and mid 1950's where rabbits, birds, and deer near the creek abounded & flourished there. Presently a few struggling, scared deer pass near 22 Shapleigh Rd area.

Our deer need planning consideration and protection to continue co-existence with humans.

The small creek there suffers from lack of environmental protection & needs planning consideration too. The major entrance and exit for people who live in Admiralty Village located at Manson Avenue & Shapleigh Road proposed multi services site is highly dangerous and accident prone. Community Services including Fair Tide Thrift Store and Foot Prints Food Pantry is needed and appreciated when properly set-up. the composition of Food Pantries, Food Banks, and Food Kitchens must do no harm to humans beings nor to animals species.

The necessity for homing and feeding needy people should not take away from the necessity of safety, good health and compassion. USDA (US Dept of Agriculture) demands that food pantries take, push, and supply hungry people with the excesses from massive slaughterhouses OR ELSE no funding will be extended ! Raising by the billions & slaughtering animals for food consumption is inhumane, unnecessary, unhealthy, cruel, draconian, bloody and obscene. Ongoing viruses here such as Covid is Zoonotic in source.

The Plans show large refrigeration and kitchen areas inside the building at 22 Shapleigh Road.

USDA with billions of cows pigs, chickens, ^{FISH} & other sentient creatures stacking up in slaughterhouses demands & requires food pantries accept distribution of these dead animal bodies or forfeit funding in the billions of dollars. The building must not be a "dumping ground" for dead animal bodies and stolen animal secretions such as chickens' eggs and cow milk intended for baby calves and not natural nor healthy for human beings.

It is year 2023 and people need and want healthy availability of plant based vegan food. Cruel slavery involving trillions of animals with no rights to a humane peaceful life, and whose (excess) bodies end up sent to food banks; food pantries; food kitchens;-and other places for the poor who actually get sick from it has to stop. Needy people must be respected along with needs & wants of all animals species to coincide ,live naturally and not be used, abused or eaten. Also, there are many brands of healthy Vegan dog food and vegan cat food which should be offered at Food Prints instead of harmful animal to animal pet food industry products which Foot Prints offers for clients to pick up.

Healthy food results in fewer Doctor's and Veterinarian's visits too.

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People don't want the cancers nor Zoonotic viruses and diabetes which come eating dead carcasses of animals and their body secretions. Some say "people have a choice eating". But the choice of cruelty in blood foods, and ignoring the victim's voice to live without abuse and being slaughtered & eaten by people is unfair & damaging acts of **SPECIESISM**. Fair Tide Thrift store must not promote nor deal in offering dead animal- skin or animal fur clothing to the public. Needy folks need help and not through or via the victimizing of other species anywhere.

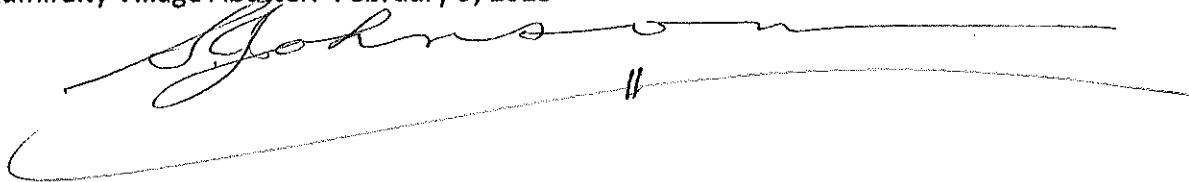
I am a poor artist and a lifetime Vegan. I brought my single parent family up vegan in Kittery, land of my paternal ancestors. When I won an online vegan recipe contest, I donated the check- money to Footprints. Yet, recently, when there were reoccurring incidents involving a Footprints volunteer, I reported it to Foot Prints Director.

The reaction was a Voice Mail to me in which the Foot Prints director told me to "Go somewhere else,- Go to another food pantry" and listed places to disappear to. Such inappropriate message (which I still retain) and damaging words, should never be told to a person seeking help. Handling a complaint or a civil suggestion that way, must never be part of what happens inside or outside any building meant to be benevolent and non-discriminatory.

Please, in the name of the needy, hungry and homeless, do make sure that MainSpring organizations respects people, and don't build a complex for dead animal dumping grounds. Honorable caring for each other and the rights for all species to co-exist and not be killed locally or Federally must include hearing the cries of Kittery, Maine's diminishing wildlife in need of protection and rights too.

Thank you, Suzanne (Suzy Courage) Johnson

Admiralty Village Abutter. February 9, 2023

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Suzanne Johnson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right. There is a small vertical mark below the signature.

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From: Suzanne Patrakis <smpatrakis@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 5:47 PM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Support for the Development of Mainspring at 22 Shapleigh Road

Hello,

I live on Woodlawn Avenue and look forward to the development of this property by Footprints and Fairtide.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Patrakis
19 Woodlawn Ave.

Jason Garnham

From: Tim Brochu <tim@adraarchitecture.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2023 10:51 AM
To: Jason Garnham
Subject: Support for 22 Shapleigh Rd project

Planning Board,

I am writing in support of the proposed Mainspring project at 22 Shapleigh Road. I live in the nearby Dion Ave. neighborhood and I'm excited to see this underused site being developed into such a fantastic project.

This project will strengthen two essential Kittery non-profits and allow them to better provide for the communities they serve. The location of the project is ideal for walkable access from the most densely populated areas of Kittery, including areas with lower-cost housing and rental units. With its mix of retail space and six new affordable housing units, this project fulfills the Town's goal of encouraging more dense mixed-use development and affordable housing in the Business Local 1 zone.

The proposed design reuses an existing building on a developed site that is challenged by a wetland dividing it in half. Proposed stormwater runoff impacts are very minimal, there is good access to existing utilities, proposed parking counts are sufficient for the programmed uses, and traffic is consistent with other uses on this portion of Shapleigh Road.

The design of the additions and canopies give a lively facelift to this tired building and provide new accessible entrances protected from the elements. The new apartment building design is nicely composed, fitting six dwelling units into a simple, compact building form that can be constructed affordably.

Please vote to approve this project as submitted.

Thank you,

Tim Brochu *Principal and Manager*

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