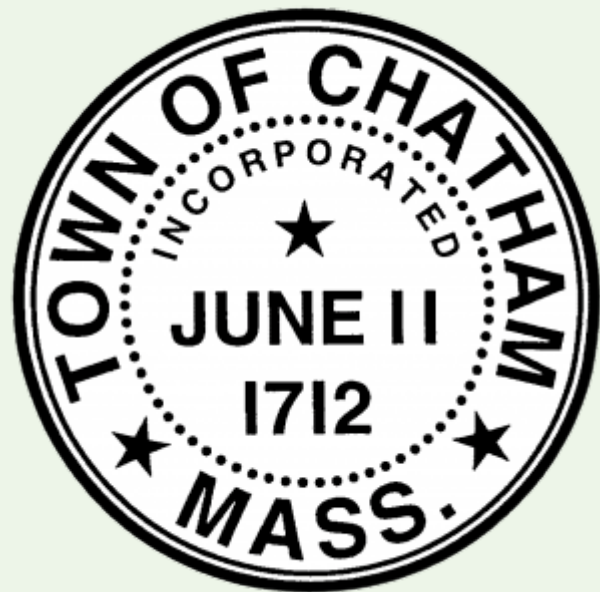


Stretch Code Adoption

TOWN OF CHATHAM



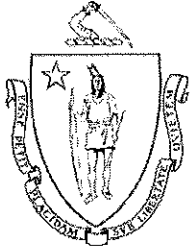
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Article 54 provides for general bylaw approval of the "stretch (building) code", which is the final legislative step for the MA Green Communities Designation Program. The above and proposed efforts will allow Chatham to achieve MA Green Communities Designation and be eligible for grant funding to accomplish enhanced energy efficiencies and carbon footprint reduction. More information can be found at - <https://www.mass.gov/guides/becoming-acdesignated-green-community>.



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September 3, 2019

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**Re: Chatham Annual Town Meeting of May 13, 2019 – Case # 9500
Warrant Article # 17 (Zoning)
Warrant Articles # 52, 53, 54, 56, 64, 65, and 66 (General)**

Dear Ms. Smith:

Articles 17, 52, 53, 54, 56, 64, 65, and 66 - We approve Articles 17, 52, 53, 54, 56, 64, 65, and 66 from the Chatham May 13, 2019, Annual Town Meeting.

Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) **general** by-laws and amendments take effect on the date that these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) **zoning** by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

Very truly yours,
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I, Julie Smith, duly appointed Town Clerk of the Town of Chatham, hereby certify the following Article was adopted at the May 13, 2019 Annual Town Meeting:

Article S4 - General Bylaw Amendment/New – Stretch Energy Code

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates language proposed for deletion

Underline indicates language proposed for inclusion

Bold Italicized Words are defined in the existing Bylaw

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by adding a new Chapter ### (Stretch Energy Code Bylaw), as follows:

Chapter ### - Stretch Energy Code

§ ###-1. Title - This bylaw shall be cited and may be referred to as the Stretch Energy Code.

§ ###-2. Purpose - The purpose of the Stretch Energy Code (780 CMR 115.AA) is to provide a more energy efficient alternative to the base energy code applicable to the relevant sections of the building code for both new construction and existing buildings.

§ ###-3. Applicability - This code applies to residential and commercial buildings as set forth in 780 CMR 115.AA. Buildings not included in this scope shall comply with 780 CMR 13 and 51 as applicable.

§ ###-4. Definitions – The following, for the purposes of this Chapter of these Bylaws, shall, unless another meaning is clearly apparent for the way in which the word is used, have the following meanings:

INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE (IECC) – The IECC is a building energy code created by the International Code Council. It is a model code adopted by many state and municipal governments in the United States for the establishment of minimum design and construction requirements for energy efficiency, and is updated on a three-year cycle. The baseline energy conservation requirements of the Massachusetts State Building Code and the IECC with Massachusetts amendments, as approved by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards.

STRETCH ENERGY CODE – Codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA of the 9th edition Massachusetts Building Code, the Stretch Energy Code is an appendix to the Massachusetts Building Code, based on further amendments to the IECC to improve the energy efficiency of buildings built to this code.

§ ###-5. Enforceability - The Stretch Code, as codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA, including any future editions, amendments or modifications, is herein incorporated by reference into the Town of Chatham General By-Laws, Chapter ###. The Stretch Code is enforceable by the Building Commissioner or local Building Inspector.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

Motion: Peter K. Cocolis, Selectman, moved the Town vote to amend its General Bylaw as printed in the Warrant for Article 54.

Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Approve 5-0-0

Finance Committee Recommendation: Approve 7-0-0

VOTE: Voice. So voted unanimously.