

**New Shoreham Planning Board Public Hearing
Proposal to Amend the New Shoreham
Land Development and Subdivision Regulations
Wednesday, October 12, 2011**

**Town Hall, Old Town Road, Block Island
8:00 p.m.**

The New Shoreham Planning Board is considering amending the New Shoreham Land Development and Subdivision Regulations. (See language below)

Before acting on the proposal and/or amendments to it, the Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at Town Hall, Old Town Road, New Shoreham at which time all persons for or against may be heard. The proposed ordinance may be altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the public hearing. Any alteration or amendment must be presented for comment in the course of the hearing.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE 4 – SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 403 – Flexible Design Residential Development

Section 403 – Flexible Design Residential Development to be amended as follows:

F. Open Space

4. Open Space Ownership and Management Standards Open space provided for under a Flexible Design Residential Development shall be owned either by the owners of the lots or units in the development, appurtenant to their ownership interest, the Town of New Shoreham, or a non-profit organization chosen by the developer and approved by the Planning Board. Open space provided for under a Flexible Design Residential Development shall be owned by the owners of the lots or units in the development, appurtenant to their ownership interest, except, however, this shall not preclude ownership by the Town of New Shoreham, the Block Island Land Trust or a non-profit conservation organization in circumstances where such ownership, of all or part of the open space, is desirable due to connectivity with land under the same ownership, or due to the presence of unique ecological, habitat or cultural features that make the land better served through ownership by a conservation organization. Ownership of open space by an entity other than the homeowners or the Town of New Shoreham shall be approved by the Planning Board. In the case of an easement restricting development, such easement may be held by either the Town or non-profit organization approved by the Planning Board.

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