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## MEMO

DATE: April 3, 2024

TO: Windham Planning Board  
FROM: Steve Puleo, Town Planner  
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RE: #24-16 - Amendment to Code of the Town of Windham Chapter 120 Land Use Ordinance, Article 3 Definitions and Article 7 Signs, related to murals.

Planning Board Public Hearing April 22, 2024

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### Overview

The attached proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance Article 3 Definitions and Article 7 were drafted by the Town Attorney in order to create a definition for a Mural that is clear and distinct from the definition of a [Sign](#) and further clarify that murals are exempt from the provisions of the Land Use Ordinance [Article 7](#) sign regulations. The Town Council Ordinance Committee reviewed and unanimously recommended the amendments at their meeting on [April 1, 2024](#).

### Zoning Amendment Process

As required by [§ 120-107](#) of the Land Use Ordinance, the proposed amendment requires Planning Board review and recommendation. There are no specific standards in the Town ordinance by which to judge the proposed zoning change, but State statute requires all proposed zoning to be consistent with the goals and objectives of the [Comprehensive Plan](#).

The Planning Board must hold a public hearing prior to making a recommendation on this item to the Town Council. The Town Council will need to vote on the proposed changes to the Land Use Ordinance for the changes to be officially approved.

A public hearing is scheduled for the April 22, 2024, Planning Board meeting. After the public hearing and discussion by the Board, the Planning Board may vote on a recommendation to the Town Council similar to the following:

**MOTION:** To (**recommend/recommend with comments/not recommend**) approval of the proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance Chapter 120 Article 3 Definitions and Article 7 Signs related to murals.