



**CITY OF NEW BEDFORD**  
**JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR**

September 28, 2018

**To:** Jennifer Carloni, Staff Planner

**From:** Sarah Porter, Conservation Agent

**Re:** Planning Board comments for 10/10/2018 meeting.

Comments are provided on the following projects which are also subject to review/permitting by the Conservation Commission:

1. **Case 18-38: 209 Theodore Rice Blvd** - Request by applicant for New Ground Sign Site Plan Approval. The proposed signs were shown on plans already approved by the Conservation Commission. The sign located adjacent to Braley Road is within the Buffer Zone and provided no additional trees are to be cut to accommodate the sign, the sign does not require Conservation Commission approval.
2. **Case 18-40: Bartlett Street Preliminary Subdivision** - The plans do not show any Wetlands or Buffer Zones. Plans approved by the Conservation Commission in 2002 for the Bartlett Street Extension (which was never built) show a small area of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands located in the northeast corner of Lot 299. The 100' Buffer Zone associated with this wetland will extend across Lot 1 and a portion of Lot 2. The Wetland boundary then continues southerly across the Bartlett Street R.O.W. It appears the 100' Buffer Zone will extend onto the northern limits of the proposed Bartlett Street. A new wetland boundary needs to be approved by the Conservation Commission. A Notice of Intent will need to be filed for the roadway project and separate one for lot 1. A Request for Determination of Applicability could be filed for Lot 2 instead of a Notice of Intent.
3. **Case #18-41: 127-127D Duchaine Boulevard – Request by applicant for a Site Plan approval for a 10,680 SF expansion of an existing warehouse.** This project is currently under review by the Conservation Commission. It has already been sent out for peer review to the Commission's stormwater engineer their comments have been addressed. In addition the wetland replication areas have been reviewed, commented

upon and revised to address my comments. I did note that the plans submitted to the Planning Board do have a different revised date (9/13/2018) than those submitted to the Conservation Commission (9/18/18). A comparison of the two sets revealed that the changes in the plan sets appeared to be that the Planning Board plans were not updated to include all of the changes to the plans I requested regarding the wetland replication areas.

cc: Conservation Commissioners, Neil Mello, Michele Paul, Jane Medeiros Friedman, Jamie Ponte, Manuel Silva, Danny Romanowicz, Kirsten Bryan, Tabitha Harkin