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## Memorandum

Date: May 7, 2020

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Dawn Emerson, Land Use Planner From:

Cc: Howard Rice, Jay Reynolds, Mark Damon, John Kilbride,

Lucky D'ascanio

Re: Farmers Market License Application

The Cumberland & Falmouth Farmers Market Association has submitted application materials for consideration of a license to establish a 12 vendor summer farmers market. The proposed market location is in the Town owned parking lot at 23 Hat Trick Drive. The market was permitted at this location in 2019. Proposed opening day is Wednesday May 13 and will run until the middle to end of October. Hours of operation are from 10am-2pm. With set up and take down hours the event will be from 9-3.

Application materials were deemed complete and circulated to the reviewing departments as outlined in Art II-8-14 Farmer's Markets. The required 5 day waiting period as outlined in this section is complete.

The following comments were offered:

- Nothing should move forward unless protocols reflective of the Governor's guidelines are outlined in the plan.
- The applicant should be responsible to have someone on site monitoring to make sure people understand the distancing rules and maybe limiting the amount of people.
- The Town should require the applicant to provide a site/layout plan, showing the tents/booths/parking, etc., that demonstrates that social distancing practices are realistic and attainable.

Subsequent to the original submission the applicant provided a modified lay out of the vendors (attached) to be in alignment with COVID-19 guidelines. The applicant has indicated that the guidelines are posted on their website (attached) and that all the vendors have been instructed to use them.

A public hearing required per section 213 Public Hearing on Ordinances of the Town Charter has been scheduled on Monday May 11 at a Town Council meeting.