Recreational Vehicle Proposed Amendment to the Zoning and Site Plan Review Ordinance submitted by Dave Libby, Town Councilor on February 8, 2010

The proposed amendments treats boats, snowmobiles and ATVs the same as motorhomes, campers, and other similar recreational vehicles. It allows them to be stored in an enclosed structure. The structure may be placed within the side or rear setbacks provided it is at least ten feet from the property boundary.

replace the current language with language as shown below.

5.26 Recreational Vehicles

A recreational vehicle may be stored or parked on a residential lot as an accessory use to a dwelling unit, subject to the following standards:

a. Location:

1. It is located inside a garage or other covered structure large enough to shelter the RV by three feet on all sides, with said structure conforming to current building codes in place at the time of permitting. Said structure may be placed within the side or rear property setbacks but no closer than ten (10) feet from the property line.; or

2. It is located: If located outside it must be

- a) No closer to the front lot line than the front building line of the principal structure or in compliance with the front setback requirement for the district; and
- b) In compliance with the side and rear setback requirements for the district; or
- b) At least ten (10) feet from side and rear property lines and, in the opinion of the Code Officer, adequately screened from neighboring residences by evergreens and other natural visual buffering materials.
- b. No recreational vehicle stored as an accessory use to a dwelling unit under this subsection shall be occupied during such storage;
- c. Guests of residents of the Town of Falmouth who are traveling in or with a recreational vehicle may occupy that recreational vehicle on the land of said residents of Falmouth, but only on a completely temporary basis not to exceed seven (7) days in any ninety (90) day period.

Current Language to be deleted

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5.3 Boat Storage

No vessel exceeding twenty four (24) feet in length shall be stored or parked on any residential property unless the vessel is stored or parked so as not to violate the minimum front and side setbacks for structures and is not less than ten (10) feet from the rear lot line.

Replace the current definition with a new definition as follows:

- 2.65 **Recreational Vehicle**: A vehicle or vehicular attachment which is either a:
 - 1. vehicle or vehicular attachment not exceeding three hundred twenty
 (320) four hundred (400) square feet in gross floor area and designed for temporary sleeping or living quarters for one or more persons, including without limitation, a pick-up camper, travel trailer, tent trailer or motor home; or
 - 2. boat, snowmobile, ATV or their associated trailers.