

George Benson Director of Planning

MEMORANDUM

3/16/20

To: Rob Sibley, Deputy Director, Emergency Management

From: Dan Rosenthal, First Selectman, Jay Maher Borough Warden, Don Mitchell, Chairman P&Z and, Doug Nelson, Chairman, Borough of Newtown Zoning Commission,

Due to the current state of emergency the Newtown and Borough of Newtown Zoning Commissions are suspending the permits for temporary signage. The temporary signs will not include banners. The purpose is to inform customers on how to order take out, change in hours, access to the business and other pertinent information. Maximum size of signs is 16 square feet.

Also, the installation of temporary structures and tables to facilitate the pick-up of food and the outdoor display and sale of non-perishable merchandise is allowed. Temporary structures greater than 120 square feet and tents greater than 350 square feet will still require a building permit.

In addition, due to supply disruption of paper bags, the First Selectman is temporarily suspending the Newtown Plastic Bag Ordinance for 30 days. The State tax on plastic bags still remains in effect.

All of the temporary measures will be effective as of 3/16/20.