

City of Framingham

The City Council of Framingham



ORDER NO. 2023-038
REQUEST OF THE CITY COUNCIL

UPON THE REQUEST OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE CITY OF FRAMINGHAM, THROUGH THE FRAMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL, IT IS SO ORDERED:

To write a letter to the Secretary for the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs relative to the MEPA Draft Environmental Impact Report, EEA#16576, 350 Irving Street. This letter of support is to offer comment upon the DEIR submitted by NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for clean-up and remediation of the site at 350 Irving Street, as attached.

YEAS: Alexander, Bryant, Cannon, King, Leombruno, Long, Mallach, Ottaviani,
Stefanini, Steiner, Stewart-Morales
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: All other members were present in person or via teleconference
PASSED IN COUNCIL: April 4, 2023

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

4/4/2023

Date Approved

Lisa A. Ferguson, City Clerk
Emily L. Butler, Assistant City Clerk



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April 5, 2023

Subject: MEPA DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, EEA#16576
NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy
350 Irving Street Remediation Project, Framingham, MA

Dear Secretary Tepper,

On behalf of the Framingham City Council, I submit the following comments in response to the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) submitted NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for the 350 Irving Street Remediation Project in Framingham.

The site has a long history of contamination from historical land use. Upon completion of the project, considerable and meaningful long-term benefits will result for the adjunct property owners and residents in the city. The elimination of threat to the public health and the natural environment is crucial for the community.

With enthusiasm, the Framingham City Council supports the proposed remediation program and eagerly awaits implementation as soon as possible. We appreciate Eversource's efforts and transparency through the many stakeholder meetings, listening sessions, and other public opportunities for engagement with local officials. It is our understanding that Eversource does not currently have plans to redevelop the site. We encourage Eversource to continue its engagement with the community to gain input regarding potential reuse should it be considered for redevelopment in the future.

We look forward to a positive, continued relationship with Eversource throughout implementation of the project. The City Council looks forward to the project as it is carried out in a safe manner with minimal impact to the direct abutters during construction.

On behalf of the Framingham Council,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Philip R. Ottaviani, Jr.'.

Philip R. Ottaviani, Jr.

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CC: Mayor Charles J. Sisitsky & Framingham City Council

Phillip R. Ottaviani, Jr.
City Council Chair

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