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O'CONNELL ANNOUNCES PLANNING & CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT RELOCATION

Taunton, MA...Today Mayor Shaunna O'Connell announced the City of Taunton Planning & Conservation Department will be relocating to 141 Oak Street in Taunton as of Thursday, June 9, 2022.

Mayor O'Connell views the move as one more step towards a thorough overhaul of the permitting process in Taunton. "Our team has been working to make it easier to do business in Taunton with a centralized permitting center at 141 Oak Street and a comprehensive online permit application process. We are streamlining the process to make it more convenient for our businesses and residents," said O'Connell.

Following the relocation of the Planning & Conservation Department, the City will be focusing on moving the Board of Health to 141 Oak Street as well. By locating the major permitting departments in one building, individuals and businesses seeking multiple permits will be able to complete their transactions more efficiently. In addition to locating the permitting departments at 141 Oak Street, the City of Taunton is modernizing procedures by offering more online permitting options. The Permit Eyes program is now live and building permits can be submitted online. City residents now have the option of applying for burn permits and dog licenses online as well.

Kevin Scanlon, the City Planner, has been working for months to ensure the move from the Boyden Wildlife Sanctuary to 141 Oak Street will be a smooth transition for the Planning & Conservation Department. "We have been alerting people to the move for many months so that they are prepared to find us at our new location as of Thursday, June 9th. We have planned our move meticulously so that we can continue to serve the public with no interruption in the services we provide," said Scanlon.

Signs were posted in advance announcing the upcoming move and electronic signs are also being utilized to alert City residents. Any questions may be directed to the Planning & Conservation Department at 508-821-1051.###