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MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Honorable Bristol Town Council

FROM:

Michael A. Ursillo, Town Solicitor

DATE:

November 5, 2021

SUBJECT:

License to Maintain Property Adjacent to Cemetery at 5 Clifton Road

As you are aware, there is a petition before the Council from David Carney requesting that a parcel of land consisting of approximately 3800 square feet adjacent to his property at 5 Clifton Road receive a license from the Town Council to maintain the property.

Pursuant to a policy the Council has previously adopted, you have the ability to issue licenses for the maintenance of public property. When you have done so in the past, the land area has been *de minimis* and it has been for a specific purpose such as providing for a ramp to a restaurant and/or areas which do not impede the public's right to town-owned land. In this case, the area is considerable, and the Council should be sensitive to the precedent that it would set with regard to such a large parcel. The Council should also take into consideration the forthcoming opinion of the Cemetery Commission

This matter is scheduled for Public Hearing at the November 10th meeting where I will be happy to address this issue.

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