The South Hadley Planning Board, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40-A, Section 11, Massachusetts General Laws as modified by Chapter 53 of the Special Acts of 2020 and the Governor’s Executive Orders pertaining public gatherings during the COVID 19 State of Emergency, will hold a virtual public hearing on Monday July 20, 2020 at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the Special Permit and Site Plan Review applications of PeoplesBank; 330 Whitney Avenue; Holyoke, MA 01040. The public hearing will be conducted virtually/online using the Google Meet platform and persons may join the meeting by either joining Google Meet or by phone. The login information will be provided on the posted agenda for the July 13, 2020 meeting.

PeoplesBank has submitted an application for Site Plan Review under Article XII of the Town’s Zoning Bylaw to construct and operate a 2,000 +/- square foot bank on the subject property. PeoplesBank has also submitted an application for a Special Permit under Chapter 225-Attachment 1, 255-19, Article VIII, and Article IX of the Town’s Zoning Bylaw to construct and operate a drive through teller service and an ATM as part of the proposed bank facility. Additional elements of the development include parking, landscaping, utilities, Stormwater management systems, and similarly related items.

The subject property is located along the west side of Newton Street (aka Route 116), north side of Lyman Street, and south side of Dayton Street and identified on Assessor’s Map Number #28 as Parcels #190, #191, #192, #193, #258, and #260. The property is located in the Business A zoning district and is within the Newton Street Smart Growth Zoning District.

Plans and the application (and supporting documentation) are on file in the Planning & Conservation Department Office (Room U6) in Town Hall. The plans and application (and supporting documentation) are also posted on the Planning & Conservation Department’s “Project Plans M through Z” page on the Town’s website www.southhadleyma.gov in a section titled “Newton Street (468-480) - New Peoples Bank Branch with Drive Through - 2020”.

Any person interested in, or wishing to be heard regarding, this application should appear at the time and place designated.

Joanna Brown, Clerk
South Hadley Planning Board

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