

ZBA considers application for Sachem's Path development
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(Dec. 8, 2011) One of the largest housing developments proposed for Nantucket in years is currently before the Zoning Board of Appeals, where the Nantucket Housing Authority and its non-profit developer, the Housing Assistance Corporation, are seeking a comprehensive permit for 40 single-family units off Surfside Road.

Dubbed “Sachem’s Path,” the proposed development is named after a Wampanoag Indian term for a tribal leader and would be located on a nine-acre property located between Miacomet and South Shore roads, the second half of the land deeded to the Housing Authority by the town in 1984.

As a project proposed under Massachusetts Law Chapter 40B, the developers can circumvent local zoning regulations in exchange for providing affordable housing, so the only local permit required is from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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