

# CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF APPEALS

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# **NOTICE OF MEETING**

"Revised Description"

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Salem Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on **April 24, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.** 

\*\*Via remote participation\*\*

This is in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023

Peter A. Copelas, Chair

#### **Important Announcement:**

Every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so on matters not requiring a public hearing, we will post on the City of Salem's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

Individuals may participate remotely in the meeting via a remote participation platform called Zoom. Members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting may access the remote participation meeting through any one of the following ways:

# **Attending the Virtual Public Meeting:**

- Go to Website link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83167203357?pwd=dzJ3Vk9sMUpaQVZkWkJXaXd50GRIUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83167203357?pwd=dzJ3Vk9sMUpaQVZkWkJXaXd50GRIUT09</a>, go to the website link <a href="https://zoom.us/join">https://zoom.us/join</a> and enter meeting ID #831 6720 3357 followed by meeting password 205462 if directed to do so on screen.
- Dial toll-free phone number 877-853-5257. When prompted enter meeting ID #831 6720 3357 followed by meeting password 205462 if directed. Those calling in will not have access to the direct video feed of the meeting, but can follow along with the project materials available for download at Salem.com/ZBA
- Watch the meeting live on Salem Access Television Chanel 22.

 Project materials are available for download at (https://tinyurl.com/SalemZBA)

## **Providing Public Comment During the Meeting:**

Members of the public attending this meeting virtually will be allowed to make comments during the portion of the hearing designated for each agenda item. Members of the public will be asked to use the virtual "Raise Hand" function in Zoom to indicate that they would like to provide comment.

- Dial \*9 on your phone's dial pad to raise your hand if you are using the toll-free number.
- Click the "Raise Hand" button if you are using the Zoom application on your computer or phone.

For each agenda item, the moderator will identify attendees with raised hands by their screenname or the last 3 digits of their telephone number and will then unmute them. The moderator will then request that the attendee unmute their device to provide their full name, address, and comment for the record.

The moderator will go down the list of attendees in the order presented by the Zoom application. The attendee list is ordered so that phone numbers are first, followed by an alphabetical list of the screen names of attendees accessing Zoom through a computer, tablet, or smartphone. Anyone that speaks about an issue unrelated to the agenda items will be immediately muted.

# **Providing Public Comment Before the Meeting:**

Members of the public can alternatively email their comment before the start of the meeting to zoningboardcomments@salem.com.

# **Familiarizing Yourself with Zoom:**

We encourage members of the public to install and familiarize themselves with Zoom in advance of the meeting.

If you plan on providing public comments and are logging into this meeting via the Zoom application, please test your speakers and microphone ahead of time. If we have trouble hearing you when you speak, we will move on to the next person and try to return to you later in the list. If this happens, we recommend that you call the toll-free number to access the meeting and provide your comment.

The Zoom meeting will open 15 minutes before the start of the meeting to allow participants to connect and practice with the audio and raise hand functions.

Know your rights under the Open Meeting Law M.G.L. c. 30A § 18-25 and City Ordinance § 2-2028 through § 2-2033.

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Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate these challenging circumstances.

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

#### I. ROLL CALL

#### II. OPEN MEETING LAW VIOLATION DISCUSSION

#### **Complainant:**

Steve Kapantais

### **Description:**

A complaint of an Open Meeting Law Violation was submitted to the Zoning Board of Appeals alleging that the agenda for the 4.12.23 meeting was not posted to the City Calendar as required by the Open Meeting Law and City Ordinance. The Board will discuss this matter publicly and vote on any action it wishes to take and authorize a written response by the City Solicitor.

#### III. ADJOURNMENT

Persons requiring auxiliary aids and services for effective communication such as sign language interpreter, an assistive listening device, or print material in digital format or a reasonable modification in programs, services, policies, or activities, may contact the City of Salem ADA Coordinator as soon as possible and no less than two (2) business days before the meeting, program, or event.

This agenda is subject to change.

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