

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING – TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT PLANNING BOARD

Relative to Proposed Zoning By-Law Amendments Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Section 5. The Planning Board of the Town of Swampscott will hold a public hearing to discuss the proposed amendments to the Town's zoning bylaw. The virtual public hearing will be held on MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022, at 7:00 PM via the following Zoom link: <https://swampscottma.zoom.us/j/83530137890>

The hearing will consider the following amendments to the Zoning By-law:

Amendment A – Amend §2.2.3.0 *Table of Principal Uses* to change the designation of the following uses related to commercial establishments – category number 22 (business, medical or professional office – medium), 23 (business, medical or professional office – small), 24 (personal service establishment containing less than 2,000 s.f. of gross floor area), 28 (personal service establishment containing 2,000 s.f. of gross floor area to 5,000 s.f. of gross floor area), 29 (bank or financial institution containing 2,000 s.f. of gross floor area to 5,000 s.f. of gross floor area) and 30 (bank containing more than 5,000 s.f. of gross floor area) – from permitted by-right in the B1, B2, B3, and B4 business districts to permitted by Special Permit whereas they relate to business operations on the ground floor of a commercial building. Also Amend Section 5.3.2.0 regarding Special Permits to establish the criteria relative to the grant of special permits for these uses. Amend §2.2.3.0 *Table of Principal Uses* to change the designation of category number forty (40), regarding any allowed use containing outdoor seating, display or storage to identify only outdoor seating, dining, or display, which shall be permitted by right in the B1, B2, B3 and B4 districts, whereas it is currently permitted by Special Permit. A new use item, number forty-one (41) shall be added for allowed uses containing outdoor storage, which shall be permitted by Special Permit in the B1, B2, B3, B4, and I districts, and not permitted in the A1, A2, A3, and A4 districts. Amend §4.7.3.1 *Table of Uses Within the Humphrey Street Overlay District* to: prohibit personal service establishments containing more than 5,000 square feet of gross floor area; allow in the B-1 District personal service establishments of up to 5,000 square feet of gross floor area on the ground floor of a building to operate by Special Permit and to allow for banks or financial institutions of up to 5,000SF of GFA on the ground floor of a building to operate by Special Permit, where both were previously allowed as of right. The amendment shall also permit any allowed use containing outdoor dining without alcohol, outdoor seating, or display on the front sidewalk to be operate as of right in the B1 district. The amendment shall change the designation of any allowed use containing outdoor storage to operate by Special Permit in the B1 District, where it was previously allowed by right. Also to Amend Section 5.3.2.0 regarding Special Permits to establish the criteria relative to the grant of special permits for these uses.

Amendment D – Delete Section 3.2.0.0 *Signs* and replace it with an entirely new and comprehensive section regulating signs including, but not limited to, permitted and non-permitted signs, sign content, sign design and materials, and the establishment of the Design Review Committee.

The complete text and maps relative to the proposed amendments are available for inspection at the Office of Community Development, Town Hall, 22 Monument Avenue, Swampscott, during normal business hours, which are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Wednesday from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM and on the Town website.

Lynn Daily Item: April 25 & May 2, 2022