

The Department of Planning and Community Development invites you to a **MBTA-CA Compliance Options Workshop** on April 24, 2023 at 12:00 pm held remotely via Zoom.

Note that while we are using the Planning Board's Notify Me list to broadly notice meetings related to this subject, this is a staff-led meeting for the general public. This workshop will also be recorded and linked through the MBTA-CA website (<https://brooklinema.gov/2044>).

Please register for this webinar at:

https://brooklinema.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_6MHN8HuTGeR95MTIRPW_w

You can also join by phone at 1-646-828-7666, Webinar ID: 160 396 8910

Or one tap mobile:

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Background

The passage of the MBTA Communities Act ("MBTA-CA") in 2022 requires municipalities like Brookline to create a zoning district that allows multi-family development without special permits. Our Department is proposing to meet this requirement by leveraging analysis already completed that identified regulatory barriers to multifamily and mixed-use development and proposed remedies that can serve as an objective basis for community visioning workshops. The first installment of this study is [Harvard Street](#), a vital mixed-use neighborhood.

This is the third of several scheduled collaborative workshops to explore other community ideas for compliance beyond Harvard Street. Additionally, the Select Board appointed a formal Committee to explore other compliance options on April 18th; once Committee members have scheduled their first meeting, that will also be posted on the Town calendar.

Agenda & Materials

(Times approximate)

12:00 pm: Summary presentation of scenarios covered in previous workshops

12:15 pm: Group discussion of Multifamily (M) Districts as part of compliance solution

12:45 pm: Group discussion to explore other community ideas for compliance beyond Harvard Street

1:30 pm: Conclude

In addition to the linked information above, updated materials will be posted as available to the following folder: <https://www.brooklinema.gov/DocumentCenter/Index/4006>

Upcoming Meetings & Contract Information

In addition to monthly meetings at the Select Board including public comment about this topic, multiple general information and topic-specific meetings are scheduled throughout the Spring as

noted in the website above. Additionally, Senior Housing Planner Maria Morelli is holding regular office hours Mondays noon to 5 pm and Tuesdays 8:30 am to 1 pm via zoom at: <https://brooklinema.zoomgov.com/j/1615833155>

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