

Economic Development Advisory Board Agenda

October 5, 2020

NOTE: Additional materials added on October 2nd as noted below

7 – 9 PM

Via Zoom

All times approximate; items may be taken out of order except that public hearings will not begin prior to the stated agenda time.

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Note: All original Warrant Articles & Explanations are available at: <https://www.brooklinema.gov/1020>

7:00 pm Public Hearing and Potential Vote on Warrant Article 14, proposing to amend the Town's General By-laws related to regulating tobacco sales and establishments that sell tobacco (lead petitioner: Ishak)

[Memo from Patty Correa, First Assistant Town Counsel \(9/29/2020\)](#)

[Comment Letter from Brookline Chamber of Commerce \[added Oct 2nd\]](#)

Questions/concerns from Advisory Subcommittees to EDAB:

1. The three strikes language is unclear. Do these strikes accumulate over the entire life of business? Would these strikes count against the new owner if the business is sold?
2. The WA's impact on the transferability of a tobacco license is unclear.
3. Square footage is not clearly defined. Is this 2,000 sq.ft. only limited to customer areas? Not clearly stated.
4. The age restriction seems arbitrary. Targeting adult smokers is a real departure from traditional tobacco use reduction strategies that have focused on preventing younger demographics from starting smoking.
5. Concerned about the lack of feedback from the business community on the potential impact of this article.

7:20 pm Public Hearing and Potential Vote on Warrant Article 27, proposing to amend the Town's Zoning By-laws to allow micro units in certain zoning districts (lead petitioner: Zoarob)
[Version voted by Advisory Planning & Regulation Subcommittee \(included at end of their report\)](#)

7:35 pm Public Hearing and Potential Vote on Warrant Article 34, proposing a Resolution regarding an increase in housing and related strategies in Brookline (lead petitioner: Wachter)
[Revised Petitioner Version following Advisory Subcmtes vote \[added Oct 2nd\]](#)
[Tracked changes from Advisory Subcmtes vote](#)

- 7:50 pm** Public Hearing and Potential Vote on Warrant Article 15, proposing to amend the Town's General By-laws to create a Disadvantage Business Enterprise program (lead petitioner: Brown)
[Revised Petitioner Article DRAFT following Advisory Sbcmtc mtg \(10/1/2020; after memos listed below\) \[added Oct 2nd\]](#)
[Memo from First Assistant Town Counsel Correa \(10/1/2020\) \[added Oct 2nd\]](#)
[Memo from First Assistant Town Counsel Correa \(9/25/2020\)](#)
[Memo from Chief Procurement Officer Geanakakis \(10/1/2020\) \[added Oct 2nd\]](#)
- 8:10 pm** Public Hearing and Potential Vote on Warrant Articles 9, 10, & 11, proposing to amend the Town's Zoning & General By-laws to regulate and enforce Short Term Rentals (lead petitioner: Select Board; presented by Victor Panak, Planning & Community Development Department)
[Amended version voted by Advisory Subcmtc \[added Oct 2nd\]](#)
February 18, 2020, Victor Panak [presentation to Select Board](#) and public comment (jump to hour 4)
- 8:40 pm** Review and approval of [revised letter](#) endorsing state Open Meeting Law changes permitted during COVID-19 to become permanent changes, as requested by Brookline Commission for Women & MA Commission on the Status of Women
- 8:50 pm** Approval of [revised September 14, 2020 meeting minutes \[added October 2nd\]](#)
[Original Agenda included initial [draft September 14, 2020 meeting minutes](#)]
- 8:55 pm** Other business, if any

Note: The online .pdf version of this agenda includes links to meeting materials.