

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BYLAW AND ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 32 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, I Juliana H. Brazile, Town Clerk of the Town of Arlington, hereby give notice regarding amendments to the Town Bylaws adopted by Articles 6, 7, 10, 11, and 15 and to the Zoning Bylaws adopted by Articles 25, 26, and 31 under the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting convened on April 24, 2024 which were approved by the Office of the Attorney General of the Commonwealth on September 10, 2024.

For any amendment to the Zoning Bylaw, claims of invalidity by reasons of any defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment may only be made within 90 days of the second publication of this text on October 3, 2024.

Article 6 amends the existing bylaw that addresses vacant storefronts

Article 7 amends the existing bylaw for repairing private ways

Article 10 amends the existing bylaw regarding setting the start date for Annual Town Meeting

Article 11 amends the existing bylaw requiring fossil fuel free construction and large renovations so definitions align with state regulations

Article 15 creates a new bylaw prohibiting the sale of fur products in Arlington

Article 25 amends the definition of attached and detached buildings

Article 26 amends the zoning bylaw to clarify a section reference within the bylaw

Article 31 adds a parcel to the multi-family zoning overlay as part of the MBTA Communities changes

Copies of the complete text of the amendments may be obtained in the Office of the Town Clerk upon request or reviewed at the Department of Planning & Community Development.

[Text of the changes approved to the Town Bylaw](#)

[Text of the changes approved to the Zoning Bylaw](#)

Several articles are still under review by the Office of the Attorney General and we expect to hear an update by November 10, 2024.

Article 12 proposed changes to the John J. Bilafer Scholarship fund

Article 16 proposed restrictions on the sale of pets in Arlington

Article 27 proposed administrative changes to clarify the Accessory Dwelling Unit sections of the Zoning Bylaw

Article 29 proposed changes to the height buffers between zoning districts

Article 30 proposed adding requirements for shade in some parking lots

Article 33 proposed changes to rear yard setbacks in business districts