



City of Somerville

PLANNING BOARD

City Hall 3rd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143

AGENDA

Thursday, November 6th, 2025, at 6:00 pm

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This meeting will be held in the City Council Chamber, on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, and by remote participation, using the Zoom platform.

TO USE A COMPUTER

Planning Board Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Poan1Td6Tze_VStGJO_Rfg
Webinar ID: 838 6124 4847

Joint Public Hearing with Land Use Committee Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XKqTDtiQTeiqFZ9avi1QSA

TO CALL IN

An attendee must register for the meeting online in order for a call-in number to be emailed to them by Zoom.

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, this meeting of the Somerville Planning Board will be conducted via remote participation. A video recording of these proceedings will be available on the [City website](#) or by emailing planningboard@somervillema.gov.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

- October 2, 2025

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- **Joint Public Hearing with City Council's Land Use Committee to receive public comment concerning the following:**
 - Mayor Ballantyne requesting ordainment of an amendment to Sections 10.10.3, 15.1.2, 15.1.6, 15.1.8, 15.2.1, 15.2.2, 15.2.3, 15.2.4, 15.3.1, 15.3.2, and 15.5.2 of the Zoning Ordinance to make pre-submittal meetings optional for most permits and to improve clarity and consistency.
 - Mayor Ballantyne requesting ordainment of an amendment to Tables 4.1.13, 4.2.13, 4.3.13, 4.4.13, 5.1.14, 7.2.7, 7.4.8, 8.4.16 (c), and 9.1.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to permit Home-Based Child Day Care accessory uses and make corrections.
 - 12 registered voters requesting a Zoning Map Amendment to change the zoning district of 363 Highland Avenue from Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) to Mid-Rise 5 (MR5) and from MR4 to Mid-Rise 6 (MR6), and 110 Willow Avenue MR4 to MR6.
- **44 White Street** (*continued from October 16, 2025*)
 - The Law Office of Richard G. DiGirolamo seeks to develop a three (3) story Apartment Building in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR-4) zoning district, which requires Site Plan Approval (ZP25-000038).
 - The Law Office of Richard G. DiGirolamo seeks to establish a Residential Housing Use in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR-4) zoning district, which requires a Special Permit (ZP25-000039).

- The Law Office of Richard G. DiGirolamo seeks to exceed the parking maximum in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR-4) zoning district, which requires a Special Permit (ZP25-000077).

OTHER BUSINESS

- Chapter 91 Approval – Pedestrian Bridge at Draw Seven Park
- Board Administration Open Discussion

Plans and reports are available to view at the City of Somerville website via the following link:
<https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/ospcd/planning-and-zoning/reports-and-decisions>

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