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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143

AGENDA
NOVEMBER 18, 2026, at 6:00pm

The meeting will be held using Zoom.

TO USE A COMPUTER

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_y-06vC5DQmaCWK-D1oESbw

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 Zoning Board of Appeals will be conducted via remote participation. A recording of these proceedings can be found online here: Agendas, Minutes, & More.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- ZBA Annual Report

PUBLIC HEARINGS

102 Morrison Ave - ZP26-000090

Paul Lavelle seeks relief from SZO 3.1.12.b to develop a backyard cottage that does not comply with the primary front setback of 60 feet, which requires a Variance.

CONTINUED HEARINGS

1154 Broadway *(continued from the November 4, 2026 meeting)*

- ZP26-000026
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.9.a for the required GreenScore in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000027
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 10.3.6.a.i for the landscape buffer requirements in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000028
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.9.c for building height in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000029
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.9.c for number of stories of a commercial building in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000030

Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.9.b for a nonconforming rear setback in the Mid-Rise (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.

- ZP26-000031
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.15.c.ii for a driveway in the frontage area of a lot in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000032
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.9.b for the secondary front setback standards in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000077
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.16.a.i. for the sidewalk width standard in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000078
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.16.b.ii for curb cut standards in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- ZP26-000079
  Adam Dash & Associates, on behalf of Laxmi N. Pradhan and Jharana Pradhan, seek relief from SZO 4.2.16.b.iv.a. for the curb cut distance from intersection standards in the Mid-Rise 4 (MR4) Zoning District, which requires a Hardship Variance.

The Applicant has requested to continue these items to the December 2, 2026 ZBA meeting. The written public comment period is open until November 25, 2026 at 12:00PM.

OTHER BUSINESS

- None

Zoning Board Rules of Policy and Procedure may be reviewed online at https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/zoning-board-appeals

- In accordance with these Rules of Policy and Procedure, no more than six (6) public hearings shall be scheduled per meeting inclusive of agenda items with another body (i.e., the Land Use Committee).
- In accordance with these Rules of Policy and Procedure, written public testimony is accepted until 9am on the Friday prior to a public hearing unless otherwise stated by the Chair. All written public testimony must be submitted to ZoningBoard@somervillema.gov

Development review application submittal materials and other documentation may be viewed online at https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/ospcd/planning-and-zoning/reports-and-decisions

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