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## **PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES CHARLESTOWN VIRTUAL TREE REMOVAL HEARING**

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will hold a virtual public hearing on Thursday, May 7, at 10:30 a.m. on a request to remove one public shade tree in Charlestown.

The request is for the removal of one linden tree measuring 14 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) due to a request for a curb cut at 99 Elm Street.

The hearing will be held by the City of Boston's Tree Warden (or designee). Please note that due to the current pandemic the hearing will be a virtual meeting via ZOOM. Written comments or questions may be submitted to [parks@boston.gov](mailto:parks@boston.gov) prior to the hearing. The information for the ZOOM hearing is as follows:

To join the ZOOM meeting by computer:

<https://zoom.us/j/95005350663?pwd=aWpzRG5pUG5NTUk5b3hiQi9HL29zZz09>

Meeting ID: 950 0535 0663 / Password: 5zEgtM

To join the ZOOM meeting by phone:

301-715-8592 OR 253-215-8782

Meeting ID: 950 0535 0663 / Password: 864589

Public testimony will be taken, or may be provided prior to the hearing in writing to the Tree Warden, Boston Parks and Recreation Department, 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Roxbury, MA 02118 or by emailing [parks@boston.gov](mailto:parks@boston.gov) with "Charlestown Tree Hearing" in the subject line.

A final decision regarding the request will be made within two weeks of the hearing. For further information, please contact the Tree Warden at (617) 635-7275.

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