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Parks and Recreation

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## **PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES DORCHESTER 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, March 2, at 10 a.m. on a request to remove one public shade tree in Dorchester.

The request is for the removal of one London Plane tree measuring 15 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) at 15 Talbot Avenue in front of Harambee Park in Dorchester in order for the Boston Water and Sewer Commission to replace a failing drainage structure.

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

To participate by computer:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82670474640>

To participate by phone: 1-646-558-8656

Webinar ID: 826 7047 4640

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 [parcs@boston.gov](mailto:parcs@boston.gov) with "Dorchester 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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