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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BELMONT PLANNING BOARD

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 5, the Belmont Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, **February 16, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Board of Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall, 455 Concord Avenue, to consider **amending two sections of the Belmont Zoning By-Law: Section 1.4, the definition for 'Temporary Sign', and Section 5.2, 'Signs'.**

Amendments to Section 5.2 include making minor edits; eliminating the requirement of posting a deposit for a Temporary Sign; regulating non-commercial signs; making the regulations for standing signs the same in all commercial districts; limiting the amount of window covered by permanent and temporary signs; and, establishing criteria for when an existing sign has to comply with the current Sign By-Law. New provisions to be added include listing the types of signs that are prohibited; limiting the size of signs on awnings and marquees; limiting the size, location and duration of sandwich boards; and, requiring signs to be maintained.

These amendments are proposed in order to improve signage throughout Town and to advance the purposes of the Sign By-Law and the Zoning By-Law as a whole. These amendments will place greater limits on signage and fill loopholes that currently exist within the Sign By-Law.

The complete text of the proposed zoning amendments is available for review at the Office of Community Development and the Town Clerk's Office and on the Planning Board's webpage.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this issue should appear at the time and place designated.

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