



Town of Belmont

Office of Planning & Building

Summary of Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendments Annual Town Meeting 2024

The 2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrant includes three separate Zoning Bylaw amendment Warrant Articles 4, 5, and 6. Each of these will be summarized in this brief handout.

ARTICLE 4 – AMEND ZONING BYLAW – RESTAURANT PARKING

This proposed amendment would reduce the parking requirements for restaurants from one space for each two seats to one space for each four seats. It also proposes a more flexible method to count parking that would count to meet this requirement.

ARTICLE 5 – AMEND ZONING BYLAW – AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 4, INTENSITY REGULATIONS

This proposed amendment would address a total of seven separate edits to this Section 4 including correcting a departmental name, reformatting and clarifying the front setback section, clarifying a section reference, adding a provision for permanent covering over unenclosed steps, providing an exemption for corner lots for the siting of accessory buildings, and other clarifications.

ARTICLE 6 – AMEND ZONING BYLAW – AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 1, GENERAL

This proposed amendment would address a total of eight separate edits to subsection 1.4, Definitions and four edits to subsection 1.5 Nonconforming Uses and Structures. Three of the subsection 1.5 edits are scrivener's error corrections.

Please visit: <https://www.belmont-ma.gov/planning-board/files/proposed-text-amendments-to-zoning-by-law-2024-hearing-notice-and-docs-for> **for more information on these articles.**