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## **PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES DORCHESTER 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 11 a.m. on a request to remove one public shade tree in Dorchester.

The request is for the removal of one Norway maple tree measuring 17 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) due to a proposed curb cut for a driveway at 1683 Dorchester Avenue.

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 [parcs@boston.gov](mailto:parcs@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/97948689574?pwd=Zjl2ckVzMSt4T1RSQ3BtaURvSERRdz09>

Meeting ID: 979 4868 9574 / Password: 5zEgtM

To join the ZOOM meeting by phone:

253-215-8782 OR 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 979 4868 9574 / Password: 738131

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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