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PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES SOUTH END 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 4, at 10:00 a.m. on a request to remove four public shade trees located at 41 Berkeley Street in the South End.

The request is for the removal of two Linden trees measuring 2.5 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) and 16 inches dbh on Appleton Street and two oak trees measuring 2.5 inches dbh and 17 inches dbh on Berkeley Street due to the redevelopment of the Ben Franklin Institute Campus.

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. The information for the ZOOM hearing is as follows:

To participate by computer:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84097210982

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

Webinar ID: 840 9721 0982

Public comments. questions or objections to the removal of these trees must be submitted in writing prior to or during the hearing to the Tree Warden, Boston Parks and Recreation Department, 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd floor, Roxbury, MA 02118 or by emailing parks@boston.gov with "South End 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.