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## PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES BACK BAY 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, April 1, at 10 a.m. on a request to remove one public shade tree in the Back Bay.

The request is for the removal of one red oak tree measuring 14 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) due to the MBTA Symphony Station Improvements Project on the Huntington Avenue side of 300 Massachusetts Avenue in Back Bay.

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 parks@boston.gov prior to the hearing. The information for the ZOOM hearing is as follows:

To participate by computer:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84582048246

To participate by phone: 1-305-715-8246

Webinar ID: 845 8204 8246

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 parks@boston.gov with "Back Bay 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.