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NOTICE WESTFIELD CITY CLERK

SPECIAL MEETING WATER COMMISSION & BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

The special meeting between the Water Commission and Board of Public Works scheduled for Tuesday, October 6, 2020 has been cancelled.

In light of the ongoing COVID 19 coronavirus outbreak, Governor Baker issued an emergency Order on March 12, 2020, allowing public bodies greater flexibility in utilizing technology in the conduct of meetings under the Open Meeting Law. The City of Westfield greatly values the participation of its citizens in the public meeting process, but given the current circumstances and recommendations at both the state and federal levels to limit or avoid public gatherings, including Governor Baker's ban on gatherings of more than 10 people, together with the present closure of Westfield City Hall and other public buildings to the public, the City of Westfield has decided to implement the "remote participation" procedures allowed under Governor Baker's emergency Order for all boards, committees, and commissions including City Council. Due to technological and staffing constraints, public participation/comment will be temporarily suspended at this time. In the event of a Public Hearing, both the applicant and the public will be notified on the agenda for said meeting of how to call in and participate.

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the City of Westfield Parks and Recreation Commission will be conducted via remote participation. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the City of Westfield website at www.cityofwestfield.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so by tuning into Channel 15 or online at westfieldtv.org. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the City's website an audio recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.