

Public Notices

TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF HYBRID PUBLIC HEARING

TThe Planning Board will hold a hybrid public hearing on **November 24, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.** to consider an application for Special Permit filed by Diamond Property Management, LLC; c/o David Isakson, 110 Mosier Street, South Hadley MA 01075; to establish a secondhand car dealership at 180 Willimansett Street, Assessor's Map 7 Parcel 67. This application is being filed pursuant to South Hadley Zoning Bylaw Chapter 255 Article IX (Special Permits) and the Zoning Use and Dimensional Regulation Schedules.

The public hearing will be held through hybrid format with in-person attendance to be located in the multipurpose room of the South Hadley Senior Center, 45 Dayton Street South Hadley MA 01075. Virtual attendance will be hosted through the log-in information below:

URL to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81878336392?pwd=gLEAhcWbBinmpJAXKAek3pbThOZ49E.1>

Or join by phone: +1 (309) 205 3325 **Webinar ID:** 818 7833 6392 **Passcode:** 867433

The subject property is located in the Business A-1 Zoning District and is an existing full service automotive repair facility known as 'Diamond Automotive'. This Special Permit application seeks

to enable secondhand car sales in addition to existing services. The property is located near the transition of Willimansett Street and Memorial Drive, also known as State Route 33.

The application is on file in the Planning & Conservation Department Office (Room U6) in Town Hall and is posted at www.southhadley.org on the Planning Department page under 'Permit Applications' - 'Special Permit' under section **'Willimansett Street (180) - Secondhand Car Dealer'** or can be viewed at: <https://www.southhadley.org/1181/Special-Permits>. Any person interested in, or wishing to be heard, should appear/join the hearing at the time and in the manner designated.

Brad Hutchison, Clerk
South Hadley Planning Board
11/07, 11/14/2025

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The Planning Board will hold a hybrid public hearing on **November 24, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.** to consider an application for Site Plan Review filed by Josh Abrams and Helen Fantini to install a small-scale ground mounted solar photovoltaic system at 17 Stanton Ave, Assessor's Map 39 Parcel 65. This application is being filed pursuant to South Hadley Zoning Bylaw Chapter 255 Article XII (Site Plan Re-

view); 255-48 (Solar photovoltaic installations); and the Zoning Use and Dimensional Regulation Schedules.

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The subject property is located in the Residential A-1 Zoning District and is an existing single-family home.

The application is on file in the Planning & Conservation Department Office (Room U6) in Town Hall and is posted at www.southhadley.org on the Planning Department page under 'Permit Applications' - 'Site Plan Review' under section **'Stanton Ave (17) - Small Scale Solar Photovoltaic'** or can be viewed at: <https://www.southhadley.org/1179/Site-Plan-Review>. Any per-son interested in, or wishing to be heard, should appear/join the hearing at the time and in the manner designated.

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Home Care Service Providers continue to deliver Meals on Wheels as Shutdown continues, and SNAP benefits are stopped

REGION — As the federal government shutdown continues into its fifth week, Mass Aging Access (MAA), the statewide membership organization supporting older adults and the 27 Aging Services Access Points (ASAPs) and Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) across the Commonwealth, reports that the ASAP/AAA network in Massachusetts has continued uninterrupted delivery of meals to older adults across the state.

This service is even more important now as approximately 250,000 older adults lost access to their SNAP benefits on November 1. In Massachusetts, 25% of all SNAP beneficiaries are age 60 and older.

For over 50 years, the ASAP network, in partnership with the Executive Office of Aging and Independence

(AGE), has administered the Massachusetts Senior Nutrition Program. The Senior Nutrition Program, commonly referred to as "Meals on Wheels," delivers meals to older adults in their own homes and provides meals at hundreds of statewide congregate meal sites, including local Councils on Aging and senior affordable housing sites. This initiative supports local nutrition programs throughout the state, serving over ten million meals per year, including medically tailored meals and culturally appropriate meals.

"Access to nutritious food is critically important to people of all ages, but especially for older adults who may experience malnourishment or other health-related issues without access to food. We are acutely aware of the dangers that the loss of SNAP

benefits creates for some of our most vulnerable older adults and have been working hard to fill the gaps," said Betsey Crimmins, Executive Director of Mass Aging Access.

About Mass Aging Access Mass Aging Access (MAA), formerly known as Mass Home Care, is a statewide advocacy organization representing the 27 Aging Services Access Points (ASAPs) and Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) and the individuals and families they serve. The ASAPs provide critical services to older adults across the Commonwealth, ensuring they can live independently and with dignity in their communities. For more information, or to see a list of member organizations, please visit <https://agingaccess.org>.

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With the nation celebrating and remembering their veterans, it is also important to remind others to check on the veterans we have with us, and let them know they are not alone, for many may bear physical scars as well as mental and emotional.

"I want the South Hadley community to understand

that Veterans' Day is more than a holiday. It's a day of reflection and gratitude. It represents the courage, sacrifice, and service of the men and women who wore the uniform, and it reminds us of the freedoms we enjoy because of them," said Plotniak.

The work and the service that was accomplished by these heroes should not be forgotten, as we have our

freedom today because of their sacrifice, all the way back to the time of the Revolutionary War.

"I'm thankful for the way that South Hadley shows up for its veterans. Whether it is attending ceremonies, volunteering, or simply offering a word of gratitude, our town shows respect and appreciation for its veterans," said Plotniak.

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That mission takes shape through programs addressing the most pressing public health challenges in South Hadley today. "Some of the most pressing public health challenges are chronic diseases, mental wellness, addiction, and the health impacts of climate change," Hart explained. "Chronic diseases such as cancer, heart disease, and diabetes are the leading causes of death in Massachusetts." To help address tobacco use—a key risk factor—South Hadley recently adopted the Nicotine Free Generation regulation, which bans the sale of tobacco products to anyone born after January 1, 2005. It is the third community in Hampshire County to do so.

The department's reach extends far beyond disease prevention. Hart and her team work closely with schools, town departments, and local organizations to promote public health and safety across every age group. The department provides parent handbooks on topics such as social media, vaping, anxiety, and depression; coordinates blood drives with the library and Baystate Medical Center; and partners with the Council on Aging for diabetes awareness, emergency preparedness, and Narcan training.

It also collaborates with the Conservation Commission on tick safety, the Commission on Disability to improve accessibility in public spaces, and local fire and police departments on emergency equipment and safety grants.

Among the department's most innovative efforts are environmental and data-driven programs. "I have written and received a DEP grant for air sensors to track climate change and wildfires," Hart said. "We've also contracted with BIOBOT for wastewater testing to monitor opioid and high-risk substance use, which will supply us with real-time data." In addition, the department recently contracted with CredibleMind (413health.crediblemind.com), a free online platform offering confidential mental health resources and assessments available 24 hours a day.

Looking back, Hart is proud of several accomplishments: launching the state's first drug take-back program, leading pandemic responses, founding the Pioneer Valley Tobacco Coalition, and securing a \$500,000 annual Public Health Excellence Grant shared with Chicopee and Holyoke. "This grant has allowed us to work together to fulfill state mandates," she said.

Residents may not always realize how far the department's impact reaches. "Public Health is everything," Hart said. "We deal with housing, food, septic systems, air quality, recreational camps, pools, tobacco, animal control, disease surveillance, health education, vaccine clinics, and community outreach." That's just to name some.

As Hart looks to the future, she remains focused on innovation and accessibility. "We are excited to be implementing CredibleMind, designed to enhance the well-being of our community," she said. "One of its key strengths is accessibility—it helps destigmatize mental health struggles by providing a supportive environment for users to seek guidance."

Hart credits the department's success to a supportive community and dedicated Board of Health members. "Their commitment provides essential oversight and cultivates a culture of proactive health management and public awareness," she said. "Additionally, town government has been instrumental in advancing the department's mission by ensuring that the Health Department is equipped with the necessary resources to implement effective public health strategies."



Members of the South Hadley American Legion Post 260 holding flags.



Sounding of taps outside of town hall.

Submitted photos

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CLUES ACROSS

- Expression of surprise
- Keyboard key
- One who works on lights
- Notable children's story
- Fall back into a bad pattern
- Eye parts
- Atomic #18
- Of she
- Farm state
- One point south of southeast
- British media entity
- Asian garment
- Drench
- Expressions of pleasure
- Turf
- UK trade union (abbr.)

35. Bleated

- Fifth note of a major scale
- Paddle
- Monetary unit of Italy
- Anonymous classical pianist
- Shuts down for the day
- Seize
- Soluble ribonucleic acid
- Greeting
- Some cars still need it
- Atomic #22
- Let go
- Marched in public
- U.S. residents, Mexicans and Canadians
- Hostilities
- Speak aloud
- River in NE Scotland

CLUES DOWN

- Razorbill genus
- Longtime Baltimore tight end
- Performs on stage
- Supports a sentiment
- Rugged mountain ranges
- Broadway songwriter Sammy
- Snakelike fish
- Men's fashion accessory
- Hospital worker
- Something to scratch
- No (Scottish)
- Volcanic ash
- Of this
- American jazz drummer Watts
- Drop down
- English dialect
- Predatory seabirds
- Imams' deputies
- Fertility god
- Fence material

- Parks and DeLauro are two
- Distinctive smell (Brit.)
- Protein-rich liquids
- Touch lightly
- Season for Catholics
- Boat race
- Police actions
- Chinese river
- Waterfall (Scottish)
- Walk ostentatiously
- Type of carpet
- Mauna ___, Hawaiian volcano
- Sea eagles
- An enclosure for confining livestock
- Dry
- An increase in price or value
- The highest point of something
- Government lawyers
- Larry and Curly's pal