



2026 Zoning Amendment Calendar Traditional May Town Meeting

Please contact the <u>NH Office of Planning and Development</u> if you have questions. "Zoning Amendments" include adoption or amendment of the: zoning ordinance, historic district ordinance or building code. For other calendars containing important municipal dates, please see those published by the <u>New Hampshire Municipal Association</u>.

The 2026 zoning amendment calendars should continue to be used in non-charter towns who are considering delegating authority to make zoning changes from their local legislative body to their local governing body as authorized by RSA 674:18-a, which took effect July 1, 2024 until a majority of voters at a special or annual town meeting have voted to delegate this authority to the governing body.

January 2026		
Monday	January 12, 2026	First day to accept petitioned zoning amendments (675:4)
February 2026		
Wednesday	February 11, 2026	Last day to accept petitioned zoning amendments (675:4)
March 2026		
Thursday	March 12, 2026	Last day to post and publish notice for first public hearing on zoning amendments, if a second hearing is anticipated (675:3; 675:7)
Monday	March 23, 2026	Last day to hold first public hearing on zoning amendments, if a second hearing is anticipated (675:3)
Friday	March 27, 2026	Last day to post and publish notice for final hearing to be held for zoning amendments (675:7)
April 2026		
Monday	April 6, 2026*	Last day for final public hearing on proposed zoning amendments. Planning board must determine final form of zoning amendments to be posted in final warrant, which must be posted and filed with the town clerk (675:3)
Tuesday	April 7, 2026	Last day to place on file with the town clerk the official copy of the proposed amendments (675:3,V)
May 2026		
Tuesday	May 5, 2026	Last day to submit zoning ordinance protest petition to require 2/3 vote at annual meeting (675:5)
Tuesday	May 12, 2026	Town Meeting (39:1)

^{*}It is strongly recommended the public hearings for zoning amendments are completed before this date.

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