

# Local Law Filing

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Local Law No. 4 of the year 2024

A local law Amending Article XIII of Appendix A [Zoning] of the Code of the Village of Goshen to the extent of amending section 13.3.1 to reduce the time within which the zoning board of appeals public hearing notice must be published from 15 days to 5 days prior to the hearing.  
*(Insert Title)*

Be it enacted by the Village Board  
*(Name of Legislative Body)*

of the  
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of Goshen as follows:  
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**Section 1. Title**

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**Section 2. Purpose and Intent:**

Currently, the Village Code requires that the public hearing notice for a matter before the Zoning Board of Appeals must be published at least 15 days before the public hearing is held. Because the official newspaper of the Village is published on a weekly basis, and further because applications to the Zoning Board of Appeals are accepted up to 15 days before the next meeting of the Board, applicants are often forced to wait an inordinate amount of time for their applications to be heard by

the Board. This code amendment will therefore reduce the waiting time for applicants to have their application heard by the Board.

**Section 3. Amendment to Code**

Section 13.3.1 of the Village Code is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Sec. 13.3.1 – The Board of Appeals shall not decide upon any appeal for a variance or interpretation of this ordinance without first holding a public hearing, a notice of which hearing and other substance of the appeal or application shall be provided by the Board of Appeals for publication in the official newspaper of the Village at least five days before the date of such hearing. In addition to such published notice, the applicant(s) shall cause such notice to be mailed at least five days before the hearing to the following: all owners within 100 feet of the boundary lines of the applicant’s property, and any other property owners that the Board of Appeals may deem advisable.

**Section 4. Severability**

Any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgement shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 5. SEQRA**

This local law constitutes an Unlisted Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

**Section 6. Effective Date**

This local law shall take effect upon the filing of certified copies thereof with the Office of the Secretary of State in accordance with New York Municipal Home Rule Law.