

Blackstone/Franklin Square Neighborhood Association
Special Meeting

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 5th, 2020

Via Zoom

AGENDA

Join us for this special meeting to discuss COVID-19 related issues as they pertain to the South End and how BFSNA can best serve the neighborhood in these times. Our agenda will include the following:

7:00 p.m. Welcome and explanation of how this virtual meeting will work [we hope] (David Stone). While many have gotten very experienced lately with online meetings for work and personal get-togethers, this is, of course, our first-ever virtual BFSNA member meeting. Our goal is a session in which everyone (including those joining by phone) will be able to follow along and, as desired, participate---though we may not get that perfect right away, so please bear with us as we navigate this new medium together. We will try to replicate the open discussion format of our in-person meetings as much as possible, including options to use the Zoom comment function or messages to our BFSNA email (which will be continually monitored) as alternative channels to ask questions or make comments. We will also experiment with doing a mock vote of members, as a test run for doing real ones at our regularly scheduled May 19th general member meeting.

7:05 p.m. Public Safety update (BPD Capt. Steve Sweeney). D4's Capt. Sweeney will discuss public safety developments, including especially, but not only, those related to the pandemic, and answer questions and hear your comments and concerns.

7:20 p.m. Announcements (Board). BFSNA's upcoming May 19th general business meeting will include votes on bylaw revisions and our annual election of officers and board.

7:25 p.m. The City of Boston's COVID-19 response and policies and the South End (Faiza Sharif). City of Boston Office of Neighborhood Services South End/Bay Village liaison Faiza Sharif will describe key parts of the City's response to the public health, economic and social impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic as these relate to the South End, answer questions and hear comments and concerns.

7:50 p.m. What BFSNA is doing and might do in these times (All). Treasurer Matt Mues and the board will describe actions BFSNA has taken to date to use our resources to be of service to the neighborhood amid the COVID-19 pandemic, and resources available to us. We will solicit and discuss thoughts about potential additional work and priorities going forward.

8:15: Adjourn.