

## **eUpdates & Webinars**

**2023**

- March 30 Pandemic Related Legal Updates
- March 8 SJC Declares Public Comment Policy Unconstitutional
- February 24 Appeals Court Holds Procedural Process for Selecting Fire Chief Falls Outside of Union's Bargaining Powers
- February 16 Legislative Update: Codification of Requirements for Disposition or Alternative Use of Property and Interests Subject to Article 97
- January 20 Evolution of a Chapter 40B Project
- January 20 Process for Amending a Zoning Bylaw or Ordinance
- January 20 Votes Act: Summary
- January 20 Legislative Update: Renewable Energy and Agricultural Land
- January 20 DHCD Issues Final Compliance Guidelines for MBTA Communities
- January 20 Legislative Update: Uniform Procurement Act and Municipal Finance Laws for School Districts
- January 20 Marijuana Reform: Parts I and II
- January 20 Opioid Settlements: Allocation of Funds
- January 20 Alcohol Licensing: Current Issues
- January 20 POST Commission Regulations: Update

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**2022**

- November 8 PFAS Fall 2022 Update
- October 19 An Act Relative to Equity in the Cannabis Industry – Marijuana Reform Part II
- October 12 Supreme Judicial Court Finds Local Zoning Prohibition on Solar Energy Systems Unlawful
- October 4 Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair (CROWN) Act Prohibition of Discrimination Based on Hairstyle and other Traits Historically Associated with Race
- September 6 An Act Relative To Equity In the Cannabis Industry - Marijuana Reform
- August 11 Supreme Judicial Court Upholds General Bylaw Prohibiting Marijuana Establishments
- July 26 Impacts of Recent Supreme Court Decision on Massachusetts Firearms Licensing for Police Departments
- July 15 Open Meeting Law Legislative Update as of July 14, 2022
- July 13 Open Meeting Law Legislative Update – Practical Considerations
- June 23 Temporary Lifting of Cap on Retiree Earnings
- May 16 SCOTUS – Boston’s Flag-Raising Decision Unconstitutional
- April 6 State Extends Pandemic-Era Outdoor Table Service and Alcohol To Go Provisions
- April 6 Allocation of Recoveries from Statewide Opioid Settlements
- March 9 American Rescue Plan Act Funded Projects and Expenses Updated
- March 3 Pandemic-Related Legal Updates: Town Meeting, Mass. Emergency Paid Sick Leave, and more
- January 5 DHCD Issues Draft Compliance Guidelines for “MBTA Communities” and Multi-Family Zoning Requirements

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***2021***

- December 7 Opioid Settlement Update
- November 15 American Rescue Plan Act Funded Projects and Expenses
- October 14 PFAS Contamination Litigation Update
- October 6 State Extends COVID-19 Sick Leave Fund - Employees remain eligible for paid sick leave through April 1, 2022
- October 5 Status of National Opioid Settlement
- September 10 U.S. Supreme Court Denies Further Extension of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Temporary Moratorium on Evictions
- August 18 PFAS Litigation
- August 4 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Extends Temporary Moratorium For Sixty Days
- July 8 SCOTUS Leaves in Place Temporary Moratorium on Evictions through July 31, 2021
- July 8 Supreme Judicial Court Decides Use of Single-Family Home for Short-Term Rentals Not Permissible Under Local Zoning Bylaw
- June 18 State Establishes COVID-19 Sick Leave Fund – All Employees Eligible for Additional Week of Sick Leave
- June 17 Extension of Pandemic-Related Relief Relative to Municipal Operations
- June 14 Implication of the Pending Termination of the State of Emergency – Follow-Up
- June 7 Implication of the Pending Termination of the State of Emergency
- May 25 Current Issues Regarding Alcohol Licensing
- March 29 Revised Capacity Limits for Public Meetings/Hearings
- March 22 Governor Baker Updates the State Travel Order, the State Gatherings Order, and Advances all Communities to Phase IV of the Re-Opening Plan
- February 26 Governor Announces Transition in Reopening Plan for all Municipalities
- February 26 Notice to Quit and Eviction Actions Updated
- February 16 State Enacts Extensive Police Reform Legislation Establishes new “POST” Commission, Police Officer Certification System, and Law Enforcement Standards
- February 5 COVID-19 capacity restrictions adjusted effective Monday, February 8, 2021

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- February 1 New Requirements for Notice to Quit for Non-Payment of Rent and Changes to the Summary Process Rules and Procedures
- February 1 Housing Choice Act of 2020 Update
- January 22 Announcement of Temporary Revisions to COVID-19 Safety Measures - Updated
- January 20 MMA Annual Meeting - January 21 and 22, 2021
- January 8 Announcement of Temporary Revisions to COVID-19 Safety Measures

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### 2020

- December 29 Expiration of Families First Coronavirus Response Act Paid Leave Provisions
- December 24 Governor Announces Temporary Revisions to COVID-19 Measures Effective December 26, 2020
- December 17 Labor and Employment Issues Concerning the COVID-19 Vaccine
- December 16 Desrosiers v. Baker – Important Supreme Judicial Court Decision Upholding Governor’s Authority During the COVID-19 State of Emergency
- December 7 Fraudulent and Improper Unemployment Claims
- November 16 Important Update on Time Frame for Action on Land Use Applications (Updated November 16, 2020)
- November 13 Alcoholic Beverage License Renewals – November 2020
- November 12 Governor Signs New Executive Orders Relative to COVID-19 (Updated November 12, 2020)
- November 12 Important Update on Time Frame for Action on Land Use Applications
- August 7 Governor Baker Issues Updated Gatherings Order, Effective August 11, 2020
- July 31 Implementation of Governor Baker’s Post-Travel Quarantine Order, effective August 1, 2020
- June 6 Latest COVID-19 Related Municipal Relief Legislation
- June 2 Governor Baker’s 6/1/20 Order on Outdoor Dining
- May 18 Governor Issues Reopening Plan and Related Executive Order
- May 6 Governor Baker Issues Guidance Allowing Use of Non-Essential Workers for Remote Fulfillment
- May 4 General Court Deliberating New Emergency Act Regarding Conduct of Town Meeting and City Budget Procedures
- April 28 Use of Electronic Signature and “Virtual” Notarization
- April 22 Governor Extends School and Day Care Closure Orders
- April 22 Legislature Passes Eviction and Foreclosure Moratorium
- April 15 Additional Municipal Relief Legislation Passed Chapter 56 of the Acts of 2020

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April 3	Land Use Permitting Deadline Extensions: Municipal Relief Legislation (Chapter 53 of the Acts of 2020)
April 3	Municipal Relief Legislation Passed by State Legislature
April 3	Updated Process for Continuing Town Meeting
April 1	Important Update Regarding Effective Date of Families First Coronavirus Response
March 30	COVID-19 Emergency Response: General Court Authorizes Postponement of Elections
March 23	Order Assuring Continued Operations of Essential Services in the Commonwealth, Closing Certain Workplaces, and Prohibited Gatherings of More than 10 People <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Exhibit A to Order, COVID-19 Essential Services Listing</li><li>• DPH Revised Guidance Regarding Assemblies</li></ul>
March 21	COVID-19 Employment and Labor Law FAQ (UPDATED in light of enactment of Families First Coronavirus Response Act and superseding prior FAQs)
March 21	COVID-19 Open Meeting Law and Public Records Implications
March 21	Land Use Permitting FAQ
March 19	Postponement of Local Elections (update)
March 16	COVID-19 Emergency Response: Implementation of Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law
March 16	COVID-19 Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sample Declaration of Emergency</li></ul>
March 13	Postponing Annual Town Elections <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sample Letter to Governor Re: Special Act to Postpone Elections</li><li>• Sample Special Legislation to Postpone Election (Single Municipality)</li><li>• Sample Special Legislation to Postpone Election (All Municipalities)</li></ul>
March 13	Governor Baker Issues Order Temporarily Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law
March 11	Considerations for Municipalities and Government Entities Implicated by Novel Coronavirus COVID-19
March 11	Process for Continuing Town Meeting (Updated 2020)
March 11	Emergency Powers of Municipalities (Updated 2020)

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- March 11 Guidance for Board of Health Re: COVID-19
- March 3 Coronavirus Legal Resources for Public Entities
- March 3 Upcoming Free Seminars, Presented by KP Law, P.C.
- February 3 MMA 2020 Annual Meeting Recap
- January 22 Criminal History Background Checks for Public School Employment FAQs
- January 22 Criminal Offender Record Information FAQs
- January 22 Entering Private property to Conduct Inspections
- January 22 Authorizing a Home Rule Petition
- January 22 Guidelines for Initial Handling of Claims or Lawsuits
- January 22 Open Meeting Law – Preparing Your Meeting Notice
- January 22 Participation in Executive Session
- January 22 Tips for Negotiating Municipal Recycling Contracts in a Changing Marketplace
- January 22 Calculation of Majority Votes
- January 22 New FCC Rule Regarding Small Wireless Facilities (5G Technology)
- January 22 Cannabis Control Commission Regulatory Amendments Impacting Municipalities
- January 22 New central Database of CDL Drivers with Past Drug and Alcohol Testing Violations
- January 22 Reminder – Changes to Federal Overtime Regulations Now in Effect
- January 22 Reviewing Proposed Amendments to Bylaws and Ordinances

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### ***2019***

- October 1 Final Changes to Federal Overtime Regulations
- October 1 PFML Payroll and Wage Withholdings Begin Oct 1st
- September 27 Janus Response Union Dues and Fees
- September 25 DPH Issues Emergency Order Banning Sale and Display of Vaping Products
- July 31 Supreme Judicial Court Amicus Brief Requests - July, 2019
- July 11 New Employer Obligations Imposed by Paid Family and Medical Leave Act - Part 2
- July 11 New Employer Obligations Imposed by Paid Family and Medical Leave Act - Part 1
- July 1 Good Bye FY2019 / Hello FY2020
- May 3 New Federal Communication Commission Rule Regarding Small Wireless Facilities
- April 24 Attorney Jackie Cowin Appointed Associate Justice
- March 18 Memorandum to Municipal Clients
- February 21 Opioid Litigation
- January 21 Tax Title Practice Group Update
- January 18 The Open Meeting Law and Social Media Pitfalls
- January 18 Emergency Powers of Municipalities
- January 18 Open Meeting Law Update
- January 18 Sample Notice Pregnant Workers Fairness Act
- January 18 New Law Taxing and Regulating Short-Term Rentals
- January 18 Short-Term Rental Law – Key Provisions
- January 18 OSHA Standards: Applicability to Public Sector Employment
- January 18 SJC Upholds Broad Termination for Convenience Clause in Public Contracts
- January 18 Public Records Law – Update
- January 18 Public Records Law – Best Practices
- January 18 New Municipal Bond Continuing Disclosure Rules Adopted
- January 18 An Act Protecting Youth from the Health Risks of Tobacco and Nicotine Addiction
- January 18 Firearms Licensing Update: Red Flag Law
- January 17 MMA Annual Meeting



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### 2018

- August 17 Designer Selection Thresholds Adjusted as of June 15, 2018
- June 30 U.S. Supreme Court Declares Public Sector Agency Fees Unconstitutional under First Amendment
- March 29 Pregnant Workers Fairness Act Written Notice to Employees
- March 26 Employment Implications of the Expanded Massachusetts Employee Safety Law
- March 15 Water Infrastructure Projects – Pending Legislation
- March 12 Storm Tomorrow – Election Related Deadlines, Zoning Hearings, and More
- February 14 Sick Leave Pay is Not Wages Under the Massachusetts Wage Act
- January 19 A Guide to the Law Legalizing Non-Medical Marijuana – January, 2018
- January 19 Automobile Dealer Licensing
- January 19 Cannabis Control Commission Draft Regulations – 935 CMR 500.00 A Municipal Top 10 List
- January 19 General Laws Chapter 40U – Alternate Process for Collection of Certain Fines
- January 19 Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy SAMPLE
- January 19 Emergency Powers of Municipalities
- January 19 Entertainment Licensing
- January 19 Equal Employment Opportunity and Anti-Discrimination and Harassment Policy
- January 19 Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Zoning Practice
- January 19 Non-Medical Marijuana by the Unofficial Numbers
- January 19 Open Meeting Law Update – January, 2018
- January 19 Proposition 2 ½ Part I – A Practical Guide
- January 19 Proposition 2 ½ Part II – Contingent Appropriations
- January 19 The Evolving Interpretation of Article 97 – Smith v. Westfield
- January 19 The Prevention of Sexual Harassment in the Workplace
- January 16 KP Law Joins Leading Local and National Law Firms Pursuing Opioid Litigation on Behalf of Massachusetts Municipalities
- January 8 SJC Affirms Authority of Cities and Towns to Regulate Land Use for Private Aircraft

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### 2017

- October 16    Important Changes to the Open Meeting Law
- September 19    Employment Implications of the Massachusetts Pregnant Workers Fairness Act
- August 17    An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Marijuana – A Guide to the Revised Law Legalizing Recreational Use of Marijuana
- August 2    SJC Issues Important Ruling Concerning Employee Off-Duty Use of Medical Marijuana
- July 27    Solar Energy “SMART” Program
- June 22    Preparation of Public Records Guidelines – Deadline of July 1, 2017
- May 12    Massachusetts Prevailing Wage Laws Violation Letters – Olaf Zwickau, Air Solutions & Balancing LLC
- January 20    Denial of Licenses for Non-Payment of Certain Municipal Charges – Amendment to G.L. c.40 §57
- January 20    G.L. c.41 §111F (Injured on Duty Benefits) FAQ
- January 20    Implications for Public Employers – The Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act
- January 20    KTT, LLC v. Board of Assessors of the Town of Swansea
- January 20    Municipal Modernization Act – A Practical Guide
- January 20    Municipal Modernization Act – Public Procurement and Contracting
- January 20    Municipal Modernization Act – Tax Administration
- January 20    Open Meeting Law and Social Media – Potential Pitfalls
- January 20    Public Building Construction Projects – Issues for Consideration When Drafting Warrant Articles
- January 20    The Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act – A Guide to the New Law Legalizing Recreational Use of Marijuana

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**2016**

- December 1 Chapter 40B Recent Developments
- November 28 The Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act
- November 23 Preliminary Injunction Enjoins Implementation of New Department of Labor Overtime Rule
- November 2 Recent Amendments to Chapter 40A
- August 17 New Law Requires Equal Pay for Comparable Work
- August 12 State Regulation of App-Based Transportation Network Companies
- July 13 Legislative Update – An Act relative to Transgender Anti-Discrimination
- June 28 The New Public Records Law
- June 6 Final Changes to Federal Overtime Regulations
- May 12 Anticipated Changes to Federal Overtime Regulations
- April 21 New Law Raises Net Metering Caps and Dept. of Energy Resources Issues  
Emergency "SREC" Regulations
- March 15 Emergency Regulation Reducing Fees for Copies
- January 22 Cable Rate Regulation by Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Cable
- January 22 Community Preservation Act – Update on Pathways
- January 22 Construction Manager At-Risk Contracts Implications of Coughlin Electrical Contractors, Inc. v. Gilbane Building Company
- January 22 Is The Sun Setting on Solar in Massachusetts?
- January 22 Massachusetts Federal Courts Strike Down Panhandling Ordinances as Unconstitutional
- January 22 Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Watch
- January 22 Open Meeting Law 2015 Recap
- January 22 A Practical Guide to New Reporting Requirements Under the Affordable Care Act
- January 22 Reed v. Town of Gilbert, Arizona – U.S. Supreme Court Addresses Limitations on Content-Based Municipal Sign Codes