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Board of Elevator Regulations
Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the provisions of G. L. c. 30A, §20, and Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Elevator Regulations will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. As this will be a hybrid meeting, the meeting will be conducted in-person at the location referenced below and can be accessed remotely via the links and dial-in information below:

**Meeting of the
Board of Elevator Regulations
February 3, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.**

**1 Federal Street, 6th Floor
Public Meeting Room 6026
Boston, MA. 02110-2012**

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It is anticipated that the following topics will be discussed at the aforementioned meeting:

1. Roll Call
2. VAR25-0080
25 Water Street Newburyport
New Install
Code Reference: 524 CMR 38 referencing ASME A18.1-2014, Section 3.1.2.1



Petitioner: Gregory Colling

The petitioner was before the board December 16, 2025, and the board voted to place the item on a 60-day hold, which provided a deadline of February 14, 2026, for the applicant to provide additional information including dimensions of the area of obstruction, show where the platform will be moved to minimize the area of obstruction and identify the incline platform lift operational, the safety notification system and the options to identify the obstruction.

The petitioner is seeking relief from 524 CMR 38 referencing ASME A18.1-2014, Section 3.1.2.1. They propose to install an inclined platform lift at the basement stair of the Newburyport Custom House Maritime Museum. Clear headroom (80") is not available due to the existing masonry barrel vault ceiling. The vault spring line is 53-1/2" above finish floor at the west wall, top stair landing. There will be 85-1/2" headroom above the centerline of the proposed platform lift at the top stair landing. The existing masonry barrel vault is integral to the supporting structure of the floor above. The 1835 building is a National Historic Landmark and an example of fireproof construction technology of the period.

3. VAR25-0079

74 Green Street Brookline

State ID: 46-P-706

Code Reference: 524 CMR 29.09(6) - Control Apparatus - Guide Rails

Petitioner: Christen Parsons

The petitioner is back before the board after the board voted on November 4, 2025, to place the item on hold for no more than 90 days, which provided a deadline of February 2, 2026, for the applicant to either meet the code or explain what they will do to minimize the code violation.

The petitioner was seeking relief from 524 CMR 29.09(6) - Control Apparatus - Guide Rails as the electrician is unable to move the disconnect as requested and still meet the electrical code. Requesting a variance to leave the disconnect in the existing location.

4. VAR25-0004

57 Union Street Newton

State ID: 207-W-20484

Code Reference: ASME A18.1 2014 section 3.1.2.2

Petitioner: Galina Slezinger

The petitioner is back before the board after the board voted on December 2, 2025, to place the item on hold for no more than 60 days, which will be a deadline of January 31, 2026, for the petitioner to provide documentation to support the low overhead including structural drawings and to present solutions to meet safety. They have provided a copy of the Architectural Access Board written decision, a memorandum of the steps taken regarding the headroom and the mitigation steps that will follow, and a sectional drawing with and without photographs.

The petitioner was before board on August 26, 2025, June 3, 2025, and March 4, 2025, seeking a variance from ASME A18.1 2014 section 3.1.2.2 for overhead clearance to install new lift to replace the existing lift. The board had requested documentation to support the low overhead including structural drawings and to present a solution to meet safety.

5. Administrative Business:

- a. Variance Administrative Decisions processed. VAR26-0001 and VAR26-0002 with State IDs 211-P-16 and 211-P-15 at the address of 85 North Washington Street North Attleboro.

6. Discussion: Video phones in the new 10th edition of the building code in Elevator section.

7. Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting.

8. Old business (The Board may or may not discuss):

- a. VAR25-0082
9-13 Boyd Street Watertown
New Install
Code Reference: ASME A18.1-2014 Section 2.1.1.3
Petitioner: Michael DiMascio

The petitioner was before the board December 16, 2025, and the board voted to place the item on a 60-day hold, which provided a deadline of February 14, 2026, for the applicant to provide additional documentation including drawings and details including plans and sectional views, and proposal on how swing doors will be secured and to also include information to understand the hardship of installing complaint doors.

The petitioner was seeking relief from ASME A18.1-2014 Section 2.1.1.3 as the code requires 79 inches clear height at the opening to the lift. The owner would like to use the existing historical door openings that provide only 77 inches of clear height. The lift is to be installed in an existing shaft that housed a service elevator. The shaft has been modified to accommodate the new lift.

- b. VAR25-0084
22 Larch Road Cambridge
New Installation
Code Reference: 524 CMR Section 35.00 - A17.1-2013 Section 5.3.1.10
Petitioner: Gary West

The petitioner was before the board on January 27, 2026, and the board voted to place the item on a 60-day hold, which provided a deadline of March 28, 2026, for the applicant to provide additional documentation which should include a

modified variance request and appropriate supporting documentation to align with the new variance request.

The petitioner was seeking relief from 524 CMR Section 35.00 - A17.1-2013 Section 5.3.1.10 for an electric overhead drum residential elevator with an inside net platform area exceeding the 15 ft² (1.4 m²) allowed by code. The new platform area will measure 28.1 ft². 2,100 lb capacity which exceeds code.

- c. VAR25-0085 & VAR25-0086
40 Broadway Taunton
State IDs: 293-P-285 & 293-P-286
Code Reference: 524 CMR - A17.1 – 2013 Section 2.2.4.2
Petitioner: Thomas McCarthy

The petitioner was before the board on January 27, 2026, and the board voted to place the item on a 60-day hold, which provided a deadline of March 28, 2026, for the applicant to gather more information including pit dimensions, plan view, equipment information and demonstration of hardship.

The petitioner was seeking a safety-equivalent variance from 524 CMR - A17.1 – 2013 Section 2.2.4.2 regarding the ladder installation for units 293-P-285 and 293-P-286.

- d. VAR25-0087
280 Lincoln Street Hingham
State ID: 131-F-15
Code Reference: ASME 17.1 2013 Section 2.27.3
Petitioner: John M Powers

The petitioner was before the board on January 27, 2026, and the board voted to place the item on a 60-day hold, which provided a deadline of March 28, 2026, for the applicant to research code requirements and present additional information if needed.

The petitioner was seeking relief from ASME 17.1 2013 Section 2.27.3 Firefighters' Emergency Operation as the code allows fire service to be eliminated if the travel is 80" or less. They have 95" of travel. The elevator is being modernized, and they are requesting that the fire service be removed due to the existing building fire system/panel not being able to accommodate additional fire devices. The total travel of the elevator is only 7'11".

If you need reasonable accommodations to participate in the meeting, please reach out to Cheryl Yebba at 617-701-8711. While the Board will do its best to accommodate you, certain accommodations may not be available if requested immediately before the meeting.

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