



# TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

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### **EAST HAMPTON TOWN BOARD AND APPOINTED BOARDS TO HALT IN-PERSON MEETINGS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 DUE TO CONCERNS ABOUT THE SPREAD OF THE DELTA VARIANT**

***Virtual meeting technology (ZOOM) and call-in public comment number, utilized throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, will be available***

The East Hampton Town Board and appointed boards (Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Architectural Review Board) will stop holding in-person meetings and shift back to virtual meetings as of September 7, 2021.

The Governor's executive order signed in March of 2020 that suspended the NYS law requiring in person meetings expired in June of 2021. NYS Governor Kathy Hochul signed legislation yesterday extending virtual access to public meetings until January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 in an effort to "reduce the need for congregation...while the Delta variant is prevalent".

"We will revert to virtual meetings which allow full participation by the public without risking further spread of the Delta variant. Hopefully we will soon see a decline in the current spike of Covid-19 in our community", said Town Supervisor Peter Van Scoyoc

The Town of East Hampton will continue to use remote ZOOM technology. Members of the public can view Town Board meetings on LTV channel 22, on the LTV YouTube channel, and on the LTV livestream at [ltveh.org](http://ltveh.org)

Callers may provide comments on matters being heard by calling the number available on the live stream, 351-888-6331.

Comments may also be submitted, and will continue to be accepted in writing by the Town Clerk, by email at [cbrennan@eamptonny.gov](mailto:cbrennan@eamptonny.gov), or by mail to Town Clerk, 159 Pantigo Road, East Hampton, NY 11937.