



# Martha's Vineyard Commission

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## Martha's Vineyard Commission COVID-19 Policy Update April 3, 2020

The Martha's Vineyard Commission announces the following Policy Updates:

### Commission Business

The Commission has decided to move forward and hold meetings via remote participation by Commissioners without a physical quorum present in the Commission chamber. This will allow for some normal business to start again.

Meetings of the Land Use Planning Committee (LUPC), the Joint Transportation Committee (JTC), Climate Action Task Force, Adaptation Master Plan Committee, Energy Policy for DRI Review Committee, and others will resume over videoconferencing platforms, mostly Zoom. Information to join and participate in these meetings will be posted on the website calendar:

<https://www.mvcommission.org/calendar>.

Meetings that are usually recorded by MVTV will be live streamed to the Commission's Facebook page. Recordings of meetings will also be uploaded to the Commission's YouTube channel and made available for personal download upon request.

The Commission is still exploring the possibility of holding public hearings via Zoom. There are currently several large projects under review, including the Martha's Vineyard Shipyard Expansion, MVRHS Fields, and the Eversource Energy Storage System. We are concerned that the public may not have adequate technology available to participate from home, and we are still working on ways to resolve these concerns and ensure full participation from the public on these complicated projects. With the extension of statutory deadlines from the Governor's Office, we will probably put these projects on hold until we are able to meet in person again.

### Commission Staff

The Commission office is closed to the public but remains open for staff on a limited basis. Staff is available for meetings over the phone, via zoom and possibly other videoconference platforms.

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