

**ACT 250 NOTICE
APPLICATION #1R1016 AND HEARING
10 V.S.A. §§ 6001 - 6093**

On February 4, 2020, The Compass Music and Arts Foundation/Barn Opera, 333 Jones Rd, Brandon, VT 05733 filed application #1R1016 for a project described as changing the use of an 1851 barn from residential storage into an event space for the use of BARN OPERA. The project is located on 1321 Pearl Street, in Brandon, VT. This project will be evaluated by the District #1 Environmental Commission in accordance with the 10 environmental criteria of 10 V.S.A., § 6086(a). The Commission intends to narrow the scope of the hearing to Criteria 1B-Waste, 5-Traffic and Safety, 8-Aesthetics, and 9K-Public Investments, unless that scope is expanded by the Commission at the hearing.

A site visit and public hearing have been scheduled for:

Date: February 27, 2020

Site Visit: 9:00 A.M. at the Project Site (1321 Pearl Street, Brandon). Directions: Project site is directly across the street from the address. Take the drive between the buildings to park out back.

Hearing: To be held **immediately following the site visit** at the Brandon Town Hall (1 Conant Square, Brandon).

The following persons or organizations may participate in the hearing for this project:

1. **Statutory parties:** The municipality, the municipal planning commission, the regional planning commission, any adjacent municipality, municipal planning commission or regional planning commission if the project lands are located on a town boundary, and affected state agencies are entitled to party status.

2. **Adjoining property owners and others:** May participate as parties to the extent they have a particularized interest that may be affected by the proposed project under the ten criteria.

3. **Non-party participants:** The district commission, on its own motion or by petition, may allow others to participate in the hearing without being accorded party status.

If you plan on participating in the hearing on behalf of a group or organization, please bring: 1) a written description of the organization, its purposes, and the nature of its membership (T.10, § 6085(c)(2)(B)); 2) documentation that prior to the date of the hearing, you were duly authorized to speak for the organization; and 3) that the organization has articulated a position with respect to the Project's impacts under specific Act 250 Criteria.

If you wish further information regarding participation in this hearing, please contact the District Coordinator (below) before the date of the hearing. If you have a disability for which you need accommodation in order to participate in this process (including participating in a public hearing, if one is held), please notify this office as soon as possible in order to allow us as much time as possible to accommodate your needs.

The members sitting on the Commission for this project are: John Casella, II, Chair, Mary Shaw and Devon Fuller.

If you feel that any of the District Commission members listed above may have a conflict of interest, or if there is any other reason a member should be disqualified from sitting on this case, please contact the district coordinator as soon as possible, no later than prior to the date of the hearing.

A copy of the application and plans for this project is available for review online at the Natural Resources Board web site (<http://nrb.vermont.gov/>) by clicking on "Act 250 Database" and entering the project number 1R1016.

Dated at Rutland, Vermont this 13th day of February 2020.

BY: 

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E-Notification CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE # 1R1016

I hereby certify that I, the undersigned, sent a copy of the foregoing Hearing Notice on February 13, 2020 by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the individuals without email addresses, and by electronic mail to the following with email addresses. All email replies should be sent to NRB.Act250Rutland@vermont.gov. **Note: Any recipient may change its preferred method of receiving notices and other documents by contacting the NRB District Office staff at the mailing address or email below. If you have elected to receive notices and other documents by email, it is your responsibility to notify the District Office of any email address changes.**

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