



**Town Code Text Amendments
Work Hours/Polystyrene Container Prohibition**

**Town Council Work Session
September 8, 2026**

Current Town Code

Section 11-19 NOISE

(a) The following acts, are declared to be a violation of this section:

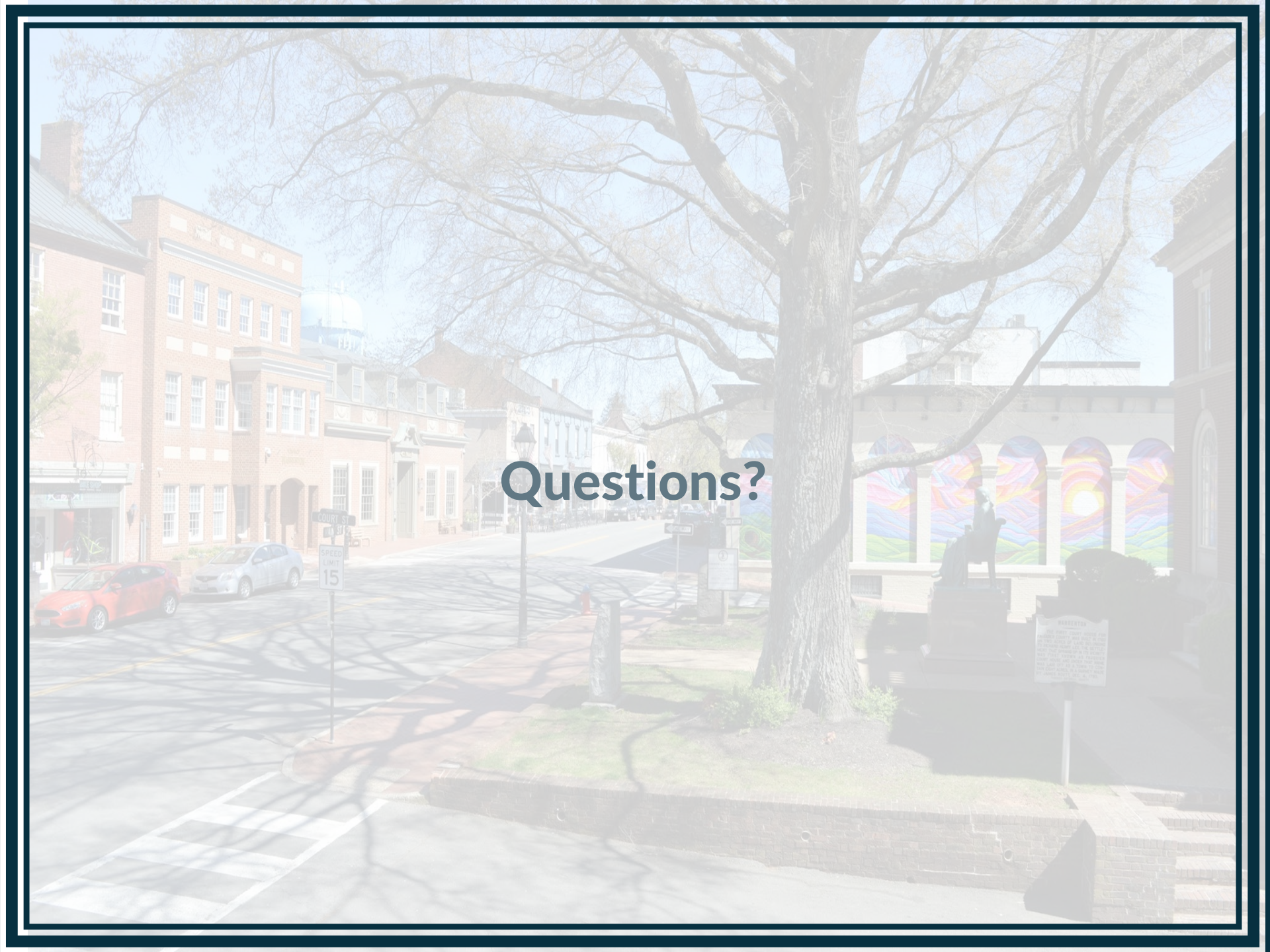
(7) Building operations. The erection, including excavation, demolition, alteration or repair, of any building in a residential or business district other than between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. seven (7) days a week, except in cases of urgent necessity in the interest of public safety, and then only with a permit from the proper town officials;

Enforcement

- Contractors who wish to work over the weekend, Holidays, or outside of the permitted hours, have asked the Town Manager for permission.
- Staff has typically placed Conditions on the approval to reduce noise impacts in the surrounding areas.
- Permission to work over the weekends and Holidays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. are not currently required.
- This Text Amendment would bring the Town Code in line with how this has been administered for the past few years.

Next Steps

- Receive guidance from Town Council on whether the proposed Town Code Text Amendment is the desired policy moving forward.
- Work with the Town Attorney to bring Section 11-19(a)(7) language up to date.
- Advertise and hold a Public Hearing on the Town Code Text Amendment at the next available Town Council Regular Meeting.

A photograph of a street scene in a historic town. On the left, there are brick buildings, including a three-story one with many windows. A red car and a silver car are parked on the street. A speed limit sign for 15 is visible. A large, leafless tree stands in the foreground on the right. Behind it is a statue of a person on a pedestal. The background shows more buildings and a clear sky. The word "Questions?" is overlaid in the center.

Questions?

Expanded Polystyrene Containers Prohibited

If adopted to the Town Code:

- Town Council could consider exemption requests
- Staff would enforce prohibition
- Town website will have to be updated informing food vendors how to comply with the regulations as well as how to file a complaint for a violation of this regulation

Staff could remind food vendors of the prohibition during:

- Annual Business License Renewal
- Annual Fire Safety Inspection
- Courtesy discussion if a complaint is received

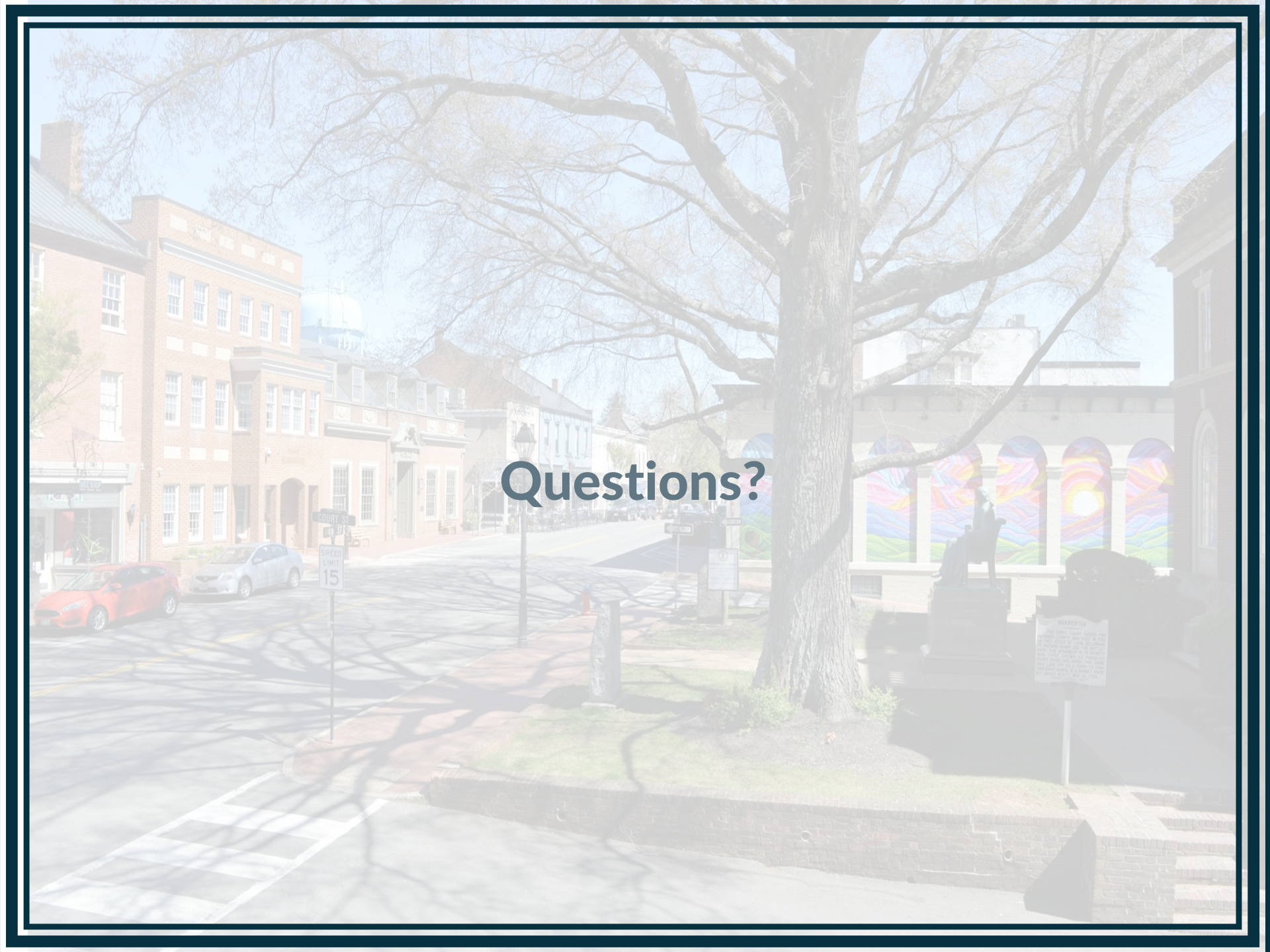
Proposing to Add Prohibition to the Town Code

Section 10.1-1424.3 of the State Code prohibits food vendors from using expanded polystyrene containers when dispensing foods.

- Code was enacted on July 1, 2025. Becomes the localities responsibility to enforce, approve temporary exemptions
- Circuit Court may assess civil penalties.

Next Steps

- Receive guidance from Town Council on whether the proposed Town Code Text Amendment is the desired policy moving forward.
- Work with the Town Attorney to add State regulations to the Town Code.
- Advertise and hold a Public Hearing on the Town Code Text Amendment at the next available Town Council Regular Meeting.

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