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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 6:38 PM  
**To:** Allen Buansi; Donna Bell; Hongbin Gu; Jeanne Brown; Jess Anderson; Karen Stegman; Town Council; Michael Parker; Nancy Oates; Pam Hemminger; Rachel Schaevitz; Roger Stancil; Ross Tompkins  
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**Subject:** Council Questions: Item 10: Legislative agenda

**Council Question:** I am supportive of the request for a bill forgoing newspaper notice of public hearings, but could you please share the ways that we currently provide public notification and whether you see a need to seek additional avenues for notification in lieu of newspapers?

**Town Attorney Response:**

*The proposed request would allow the Town Council to enact ordinances to provide notice through electronic means, including, but not limited to, the Town's Internet site, in lieu of newspaper publication.*

*In addition to posting on the Internet, the Town has a list of persons who subscribe to Town eNews who would also receive these notices. A link to sign up to subscribe to the Town's eNews is available on the front page of the Town's website.*

*The proposed legislation would not authorize the Town to eliminate the requirements in the law regarding the posting of signage and mail notification to nearby property owners. In the case of most land use applications as well as street closings, signs are required to be posted. Mailed notices to property owners within 1000 feet are provided for most land use applications. Notice of proposed street closings are required to be mailed to owners of property abutting the proposed closing.*

*If the Town requests and receives the legislative authority, the Council will have an opportunity to review the current notice standards and consider enacting ordinances to adjust current notification requirements and eliminate newspaper notice.*

**Council Question:** How much does the town spend every year on publishing public hearing notices in the newspaper?

**Staff Response:** *Staff has not compiled this information yet. They will have information at the Council meeting*