

**CITY OF SALEM
OCTOBER 19, 2026
JOINT PUBLIC HEARING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL AND THE PLANNING BOARD**

AMENDED due to correction of ten (10) feet to twenty (20) feet

Section 1. Section 3.1 Table of Principal and Accessory is hereby amended by inserting a new use in section E. ACCESSORY USES as follows:

Use RC R1 R2 R3 B1 B2 B4 B5 BPD I NRCC

Wind Energy System, Roof-Mounted Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y

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Action Contemplated

Councillor King	Moved to close the Public Hearing	Voted
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