

# **PUBLIC NOTICE POSTING REQUEST** TO OFFICE OF THE WESTWOOD TOWN CLERK

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# ORGANIZATION: Finance and Warrant Commission

TOWN OF WESTWOOD

MEETING

PUBLIC HEARING (Blease circle appropriately)

March 2, 2015

DATE: March 3, 2015 if necessary

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

**LOCATION: Library Community Meeting Room** 

PURPOSE: Annual Town Meeting Public Hearing

**REQUESTED BY: Sheila Nee** 

NOTE: Notices and agendas are to be posted at least 48 hours in advance of the meetings excluding Saturday, Sundays, and legal holidays. Please keep in mind the Town Clerk's business hours of operation and make the necessary arrangements to be sure this notice is received and stamped in the adequate amount of time.

# LIST OF TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED

(For updates to this notice, please see www.townhall.westwood.ma.us)

1. FY16 School and Municipal operating budgets.

# **Petition Articles**

2. This petition article would require the Town to establish a baseline and ongoing energy score for all municipal and school buildings.

(Petitioner: Michael Brier, 43 Dover Terrace)

3. This petition article seeks to change the zoning of the premises known as Lambert's Plaza at 210-320 Providence Highway from Single Residence B (SRB) to Highway Business (HB).

(Petitioner: Edward Richardson, 67 Webster Street)

#### **Town Clerk Article**

4. Adoption of Chapter 59, Section 18B MGL - Informing Electorate This article is intended to allow the Town governing authority to disseminate written information on the local ballot questions.

#### **Board of Selectmen Articles**

1. Road Improvement

Intended to authorize the acceptance of any state funds, including Chapter 90 funds that are allocated for maintenance of the Town's public ways.

2. Street Acceptances

This is an article that accepts private roads that have been constructed and/or brought up to the Town's standards and are presented for acceptance as Town ways.

# 3. Fund University Station Building Fee Reserve

Intended to accept building permit fee payments from the first phase of the University Station project, and allocate these funds to the appropriate services related to permitting, inspection, legal valuation, and other prior, during, and after construction.

# 4. Cemetery Expansion

Intended to seek approval and funding to design and construct an expansion of the Baker Cemetery.

# 5. Stormwater Management Bylaw

Intended to seek Town Meeting vote for the adoption of a proposed Stormwater Bylaw and Regulations.

# 6. Funding for Fire Station II

Intended to fund the construction of a new Fire Station in Islington Center.

# 7. Funding for Additional Design Work

Intended to appropriate funds that might be necessary for design work to be completed for the Public Safety Facilities.

# 8. Acquisition of Real Property

Intended to serve as a placeholder to appropriate funds and approve the acquisition of property and/or easements that may be necessary for the construction of the Public Safety Facilities.

# 9. Miscellaneous Public Safety Facilities

Intended to serve as a placeholder for any necessary Town Meeting action that supports the design and/or construction and/or planning for the renovations of the Public Safety Facilities.

# 10. Town-wide LED Streetlight Upgrade

Intended to seek authorization and funding for a program to upgrade the energy efficiency of the street lights in Town.

# 11. Deerfield School Field Redevelopment

Intended to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and expend up to \$500,000 to fund the reconstruction of the Deerfield School playing fields.

#### 12. Creation of a Bylaw for Enforcement of Taxi Regulations

Intended to allow the Police Department to issue a civil disposition rather than file a court complaint for violators of the taxi regulations.

#### 13. Miscellaneous Articles (4 total)

Intended to serve as placeholders to insert an Article in support of Town Government that may come up before the official Warrant is approved.

#### Planning Board Articles

# 1. Amendments to Flexible Multiple Use Overlay District

Intended to allow for mixed-use residential and commercial developments in Flexible Multiple Use Districts along Washington and High Streets, to redefine the perimeters of those FMUOD districts on the Official Zoning Map, and to clarify the maximum permitted percentages of FMUOD developments which may be devoted to residential uses in each of the FMUOD districts.

# 2. Amendments to Senior Residential Housing Development

Intended to create a new procedure for the review and approval of special permit applications for Senior Residential Development projects, and to encourage the development of appropriately designed projects which are both responsive to the needs of senior residents and consistent with the character of surrounding neighborhoods.

#### 3. Amendments to Accessory Apartments

Intended to clarify the section of the Zoning Bylaw pertaining to Accessory Apartments in response to concerns expressed by the Zoning Board of Appeals, so that applicants and abutters will have a better understanding of the purposes and requirements of this section.

#### 4. Amendments to Earth Material Movement

Intended to make the Planning Board the special granting authority for Earth Material Movement special permits and to clarify the conditions under which an exemption from this section of the Zoning Bylaw may be granted.

#### 5. Amendments to Definitions and Principal Uses

Intended to clarify certain terms and use definitions and to adopt new definitions for uses not properly addressed in the current Zoning Bylaw and to designate those zoning districts in which the newly defined uses may be permitted.

#### 6. Amendments to Enclosure, Screening, and Buffers

Intended to clarify requirements for screening of parking areas designed to accommodate more than five cars in residential districts.

# 7. Amendments to Height Regulations

Intended to bring the Zoning Bylaw requirements for height of structures into conformance with applicable requirements set forth in the current Building Code.

# 8. <u>Proposed General Bylaw Related to Demolition Delay (co-sponsor Westwood Historical Commission)</u>

Intended to implement the Comprehensive Plan objective which recommends the adoption of a demolition delay period to allow for the consideration of various preservation alternatives for properties deemed to be of significant historical value to the Town.

#### 9. Housekeeping Amendments

Intended to allow for corrections of minor errors or inconsistencies within the Zoning Bylaw which might come to light during the review of proposed amendments.

# 10. Miscellaneous Zoning Article

Intended to revise the Street Access Special Permit bylaw section adopted by the November 17, 2014 Town meeting in the event that the adopted section is not approved by the Attorney General's Office.

NOTE: Per changes to Open Meeting Law, effective July 1, 2010, notice of any meeting of public body shall include "A listing of topics that the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting". Topics must give enough specificity so that the public understands what will be discussed, but not necessarily all items that may come up. Please list those topics above.