



PUBLIC NOTICE POSTING REQUEST TO OFFICE OF THE WESTWOOD TOWN CLERK

ORGANIZATION: Finance and Warrant Commission

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MEETING PUBLIC HEARING X (Please circle appropriately)

TOWN CLERK
TOWN OF WESTWOOD

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

DATE: & Wednesday, October 18, 2017 (if Needed) TIME: 7:30 pm

**LOCATION: 10/17 - Community Meeting Room, Westwood Public Library -
10/18 - Little Theatre, WHS (if Needed)**

PURPOSE: Fall Town Meeting Public Hearing(s)

REQUESTED BY: Jane O'Donnell, Administrator

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

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Topics/Presenters:

Chairperson Opening Remarks:

Agenda: Warrant Article Sponsors:

Board of Selectmen Sponsored Articles

- A. Blue Hills Technical Regional School District – Renovation Project**
This article is intended to present and request support for the Blue Hills Regional Technical School \$85 million renovation project.
- B. Gay Street Sidewalk Design Funding**
This article is intended to provide funding to the DPW to complete a full design for sidewalks along Gay Street, to allow for submission of the project to the State's Complete Streets Program and/or any other funding program for construction funding.
- C. ARC of South Norfolk – Grant of Easement for a Permanent Sidewalk across Town Land**
This article is intended to approve a Grant of Easement to The ARC of South Norfolk across town-owned land to permit the construction of a 5-foot wide sidewalk connecting the ARC property to the Mercer property to allow ARC clients access to raised garden beds, parking and programming on the Mercer property.
- D. Street Acceptance – Thompson Avenue (Westview Estates Subdivision)**
This article is intended to seek Town Meeting acceptance of Thompson Avenue as a public way.
- E. Hedgerow Lane – Right of Way Abandonment**
This article is intended to authorize the Selectmen to eliminate all or portions of the existing Hedgerow Lane cul-de-sac and right-of-way.
- F. Interim Office Space – Town Hall and/or Carby Street**
This article is intended to serve as a placeholder for the Municipal Facilities Task Force as it goes through the analysis of the space needs of the municipal departments.
- G. Municipal Facilities Conceptual Planning** This article is intended to serve as a placeholder for the Municipal Facilities Task Force to seek the appropriation of funds to design conceptual plans for the renovation of municipal office spaces, main fire station, senior center and/or recreation and youth and family services offices, etc.
- H. Accounting Housekeeping – Establish Account for Meals/Hotel Tax**
This article is intended to establish in accordance with MGL Chapter 40, Section 5B, a special purpose meals tax account.
- I. Accounting Housekeeping – Establish Account for School Special Education Reserve**
This article is intended to accept MGL Chapter 40, Section 13E, which establishes a reserve fund to allow the School Department to pay for unanticipated or under budgeted costs of special education, out of district tuition and/or transportation.
- J. Miscellaneous**
This article serves as a placeholder to insert an article in support of Town Government that may come up before the official Warrant is approved.

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Board of Selectmen and Planning Board Co-Sponsored Article

M. Zoning Amendment to Limit Number of Residential Dwelling Units in FMUOD6 & FMUOD7 (co-sponsor – Planning Board)

This article is intended to add a definitive cap on the number of residential dwelling units which may be constructed by special permit within the Washington Street and High Street Flexible Multiple Use Overlay Districts (FMUOD6 and FMUOD7). The purpose of this article is to limit the total number of residential dwellings that could be approved by Planning Board special permit.

Planning Board Sponsored Articles

N. Zoning Amendment Related to Accessory Uses in Highway Business

This article is intended to allow accessory uses such as cafeterias, snack bars, gift shops, and vending machines within buildings in the Highway Business (HB) zone, where such uses are currently prohibited. The Planning Board is sponsoring this article for fall Town Meeting at the request of a property owner who is currently marketing available office space.

O. Zoning Amendment Related to Medical Uses

This article is intended to revise Zoning Bylaw provisions related to medical uses. The purpose of this article is to clarify distinctions among various types of medical uses and to specify where those uses may be permitted in Town. The Zoning Bylaw presently references differing terms for medical uses, some of which are not clearly defined and some of which are not presently included in the Use Table.

P. Housekeeping – Zoning Articles

This article is intended to make necessary amendments to various sections of Zoning Bylaw and/or Zoning Map to correct any errors or inconsistencies which may be discovered during the public hearing process.

Town Clerk Sponsored Articles

Q. Adopt Massachusetts General Laws – Registration - Chapter 41, Section 110A

This article is intended to save the Town the cost of opening Town offices on a holiday or weekend to hold voter registration sessions, acceptance of nomination papers, etc.

R. General Bylaw Amendment - MGL c. 140, §139 (c) - waive Dog License Fee for Seniors

This article is intended to waive the annual dog license fee for any person seventy (70) years of age or older, upon proof of age, for one dog per household per year.

Petition Articles

- S. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken on Article 29 at the annual Town Meeting on May 02, 2016, or take any other action there on

Steven Barrett, 230 School Street

- T. To see if the Town will vote to amend Westwood Town Bylaw 138-15 D (1) by inserting the following language after the wording: considered the main motion, excluding citizen petitions. The sponsor of a citizen petition shall make the first motion and said motion shall be considered the main motion of that article or take any other action there on

Deborah Conant, 21 Strasser Avenue

- U. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and transfer, from any available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$20,000 to purchase an electronic voting system, for use at Town Meeting, with 350 hand held units or take any other action there on.

Ellen Rollings, 86 Greenhill Road

- V. To see if the Town will vote to amend Westwood Town bylaw 138-17 by deleting sections F, G, and H in their entirety and replace with "Primary vote of Town Meeting shall be by electronic voting. If the number of voters exceeds the number of voting devices, pursuant to MGL 39 Section 10, the Moderator shall designate an overflow room for vote by show of hands and shall appoint an Assistant Moderator, pursuant to MGL 39 Section 14 to preside at and regulate proceedings in overflow room or take any other action there on."

Ellen Rollings, 86 Greenhill Road

FinCom Votes

Chairperson's update.

New Business.

Old Business.

Public and Press.

Adjournment.

***Changes and additions to be updated as needed.**

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.