

**WARRANT FOR
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
AND
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

ELECTION

Saturday, April 6, 2019



**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, April 22, 2019**

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, April 29, 2019**

TOWN OF ARLINGTON

TOWN WARRANT
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Middlesex, ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Arlington, in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Arlington qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the polling places designated for the several Precincts in said Town on

SATURDAY
THE SIXTH DAY OF APRIL 2019

at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1 TO ELECT BY BALLOT:

- A) One Moderator for three years**
- B) One Assessor for three years**
- C) One Select Board Member for three years**
- D) Two School Committee Members for three years**
- E) One Arlington Housing Authority Member for five years**

Also, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, the number of Town Meeting Members hereinafter specified:

- PRECINCT 1 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 2 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 3 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 4 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 5 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 6 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 7 - Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)**
- PRECINCT 8 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 9 - Four for three years; One for two years (to fill a vacancy)**
- PRECINCT 10 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 11 - Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)**
- PRECINCT 12 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 13 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 14 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 15 - Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)**
- PRECINCT 16 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 17 - Four for three years; Two Vacancies**
- PRECINCT 18 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 19 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 20 - Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)**
- PRECINCT 21 - Four for three years.**

For these purposes, the polls will be opened at eight o'clock A.M. and remain open until eight o'clock P.M., at each of the polling places designated, viz.:

- Precinct 1 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 2 Hardy School, 52 Lake Street (entrance on Brooks Avenue)
- Precinct 3 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 4 Hardy School, 52 Lake Street (entrance on Brooks Avenue)
- Precinct 5 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 6 Hardy School, 52 Lake Street (entrance on Brooks Avenue)
- Precinct 7 Chestnut Manor, 54 Medford Street (entrance on Chestnut Terrace)
- Precinct 8 Town Hall, 730 Massachusetts Avenue (beside Robbins Library)
- Precinct 9 Chestnut Manor, 54 Medford Street (entrance on Chestnut Terrace)
- Precinct 10 Town Hall, 730 Massachusetts Avenue (beside Robbins Library)
- Precinct 11 Bishop School, 25 Columbia Road (entrance on Stowecroft Road)
- Precinct 12 Brackett School, 66 Eastern Avenue (Left at Water Tower at top of Park Avenue)
- Precinct 13 Stratton School, 180 Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 14 Brackett School, 66 Eastern Avenue (Left at Water Tower at top of Park Avenue)
- Precinct 15 Stratton School, 180 Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 16 Dallin School, 185 Florence Avenue (off Park Avenue)
- Precinct 17 Peirce School, 85 Park Ave. Extension (entrance on Newland Road)
- Precinct 18 Dallin School, 185 Florence Avenue (off Park Avenue)
- Precinct 19 Peirce School, 85 Park Ave. Extension (entrance on Newland Road)
- Precinct 20 Park Avenue Congregational Church, 50 Paul Revere Road (corner of Park Avenue & Wollaston Ave.)
- Precinct 21 Peirce School, 85 Park Ave. Extension (entrance on Newland Road)

You are also required to notify and warn the said inhabitants to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the 22nd day of April, 2019, at eight o'clock in the evening, at which time and place the following articles are to be acted upon and determined exclusively by Town Meeting Members, in accordance with and subject to the referenda provided for by Chapter 43A of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 2 STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS

To hear the Chair of the Select Board review important events in the past year in Arlington and preview expectations for next year.

(Inserted at the request of Envision Arlington)

ARTICLE 3 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

To receive, hear, and act upon the reports of the Select Board, Finance Committee, Redevelopment Board, School Committee and other committees, commissions, and boards heretofore appointed, or dissolve any inactive committees; and take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

ARTICLE 4 APPOINTMENT OF MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

To choose and appoint all the usual Town Officers not hereinbefore mentioned, in such a manner as the Town may determine; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 5

ELECTION OF ASSISTANT TOWN MODERATOR

To elect a Town Meeting Member as Assistant Moderator for a term of one year, as provided in Title I, Article 1, Section 11.A, of the Bylaws; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

ARTICLE 6

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/DENSITY AND DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MULTI-FAMILY USES

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to change the density and dimensional requirements for multi-family uses in the R4, R5, R6, and R7 Districts by:

1. Amending SECTION 5.4.1. DISTRICTS AND PURPOSES to revise descriptions of the R5, R6, and R7 Districts;
2. Amending SECTION 5.4.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to reduce the minimum lot area, minimum lot area per unit, and minimum lot frontage for three-family dwellings, townhouse structures, and apartment conversions in the R4 District, for townhouse and apartment buildings in the R5 District, for townhouse structure and apartment building in the R6 District, and for any permitted structure in the R7 District;
3. Amending SECTION 5.4.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to adjust the front yard, side yard, and rear yard for three-family dwellings, townhouse structures, and apartment conversions in the R4 District, for townhouse and apartment buildings in the R5 District, for townhouse structure and apartment building in the R6 District, and for any permitted structure in the R7 District; and
4. Amending SECTION 5.4.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to increase the maximum height in feet, maximum stories, and maximum floor area ratio for townhouse structures and apartment conversions in the R4 District, for townhouse and apartment buildings in the R5 District, for townhouse structure and apartment building in the R6 District, and for any permitted structure in the R7 District;

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 7

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/DENSITY AND DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MIXED-USE

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to change the density and dimensional requirements for mixed-use in the B Districts by:

1. Amending SECTION 5.5.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to reduce the minimum lot area per unit for mixed-use on lots greater than 20,000 square feet in the B2 District;
2. Amending SECTION 5.5.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to reduce the front yard and side yard requirements for mixed-use in the B1 District;
3. Amending SECTION 5.5.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to increase the maximum height in feet and maximum stories for mixed-use in the B1, B3, and B5 Districts; and
4. Amending SECTION 5.5.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to increase the maximum floor area ratio for mixed-use in all of the Business Districts;

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

**ARTICLE 8 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS
FOR MULTI-FAMILY USES AND MIXED-USE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to adjust the open space requirements for multi-family uses and mixed-use to eliminate the requirement for usable open space and increase the requirement for landscaped open space by:

1. Amending SECTION 2 DEFINITIONS for landscaped open space;
2. Amending SECTION 5.3.21. SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS IN THE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS paragraph D;
3. Amending SECTION 5.4.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to eliminate the minimum usable open space requirement and increase the landscaped open space requirement for multi-family uses; and
4. Amending SECTION 5.5.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to eliminate the minimum usable open space requirement and increase the landscaped open space requirement for mixed-use;

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 9 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/ TOWNHOUSES

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to clarify references to townhouse and to increase the size of a townhouse structure by;

1. Amending SECTION 5.3.14. TOWNHOUSE STRUCTURES paragraph A to increase the size of a townhouse structure to not exceed 200 feet or 8 townhouses in length;
2. Amending SECTION 5.4.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to remove references to townhouse and replace with townhouse structure;
3. Amending SECTION 5.4.3. USE REGULATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS to remove references to townhouse and replace with townhouse structure;
4. Amending SECTION 5.5.2. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REQUIREMENTS to remove references to townhouse and replace with townhouse structure;
5. Amending SECTION 5.5.3. USE REGULATIONS FOR BUSINESS DISTRICTS to remove references to townhouse and replace with townhouse structure; and
6. Amending SECTION 5.6.3. USE REGULATIONS FOR MU, PUD, I, T, and OS DISTRICTS to remove references to townhouse and replace with townhouse structure;

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

**ARTICLE 10 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/UPPER-STORY
BUILDING STEP BACKS**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to adjust the upper-story building step back beginning at the fourth story level or 40 feet above grade by amending SECTION 5.3.17. UPPER-STORY BUILDING STEP BACKS and by amending SECTION 5.3.21. SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS IN THE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS paragraph C to refer to four stories; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 11

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/REDUCED HEIGHT BUFFER AREA

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to reduce the height buffer area to 25 to 50 feet depending on orientation and to identify the specific requirements to allow application of the higher height limit by amending SECTION 5.3.19. REDUCED HEIGHT BUFFER AREA; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 12

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/CORNER LOT REQUIREMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to add a requirement for corner lots in the R4 through R7 Districts and all Business Districts which requires the minimum street yard to be equal to the front yard depth required by amending SECTION 5.3.8. CORNER LOTS AND THROUGH LOTS; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 13

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/APARTMENT BUILDING PARKING REQUIREMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to reduce the parking requirements for apartment buildings by amending SECTION 6.1.4. TABLE OF OFF-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS to reduce the minimum number of spaces to 1 space per dwelling unit; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 14

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/PARKING REDUCTION APPLICABILITY

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to include the R7 District in SECTION 6.1.5. PARKING REDUCTION IN BUSINESS, INDUSTRIAL, AND MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONES; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 15

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow accessory dwelling units in the R0 and R1 Zoning Districts by amending SECTION 2 DEFINITIONS to define accessory dwelling units; amending SECTION 5.4.3. USE REGULATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS to include the use in the table of uses; and creating a new section, SECTION 5.9.2. ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS, containing standards for accessory dwelling units; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 16

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIREMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by increasing the affordability requirements contained in Section 8.2 AFFORDABILITY REQUIREMENTS, such that a

greater number of affordable units would be required for certain projects; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Stephen Revilak and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 17 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/SIGN REGULATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to update the sign regulations in its entirety by; amending SECTION 2 DEFINITIONS to remove and replace the definitions associated with signs, and amending SECTION 6.2 SIGNS to remove and replace the sign regulations in its entirety; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 18 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/FLOODPLAIN DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to update the Floodplain District regulations by amending SECTION 5.7 FLOODPLAIN DISTRICT by making minor corrections to the bylaw in order to be consistent with the Conservation Commission’s Town of Arlington Bylaw for Wetland Protection and other associated regulations; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 19 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/INLAND WETLAND DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to streamline and update the Inland Wetland District regulations by amending SECTION 5.8 INLAND WETLAND DISTRICT by making minor corrections to the bylaw in order to be consistent with the Conservation Commission’s Town of Arlington Bylaw for Wetland Protection and other associated regulations; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 20 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/REVIEW OF RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL USES

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to clarify the process by which the Town reviews religious and educational uses by;

1. Amending SECTION 3.4 ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN REVIEW to remove paragraph J referring to religious and educational uses;
2. Adding a new SECTION 3.5 RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL USE REVIEW that codifies an administrative review process that is consistent with M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Section 3;
3. Amending SECTION 5.4.3. USE REGULATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS to clarify notes which refer to educational and religious uses;
4. Amending SECTION 5.5.3. USE REGULATIONS FOR BUSINESS DISTRICTS to clarify notes which refer to educational and religious uses; and
5. Amending SECTION 5.6.3. USE REGULATIONS FOR MU, PUD, I, T, AND OS DISTRICTS to clarify notes which refer to educational and religious uses; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 21 **ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/BICYCLE PARKING**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to update the bicycle parking standards by amending SECTION 6.1.12. BICYCLE PARKING to remove and replace the section in its entirety; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 22 **ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/CORRECTING CITATION ERRORS**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to correct section references and other typographical errors in;

1. Correcting reference to Section 5.5 in SECTION 3.2.2. POWERS;
2. Correcting reference to Section 5 in SECTION 3.3.4. SPECIAL PERMIT CONDITIONS;
3. Correcting references to Section 8.13 and Section 10.11 in SECTION 3.4.4. ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN REVIEW STANDARDS;
4. Correcting reference to Section 3.05 in SECTION 5.8.3. APPLICABILITY; and
5. Correcting reference to Section 9.06 in SECTION 5.8.4. PERMITTED USES;

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 23 **ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/PUBLICATION OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION- ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

To see if the Town will vote to require the Zoning Board of Appeals to publish, on the Town Website, supporting documentation pertaining to items on its agenda; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Paul Schlichtman and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 24 **ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/DEFINITION OF STORY, HALF**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to amend the definition of Story, Half by amending SECTION 2 DEFINITIONS to reduce the defined height of a half story from 7 feet 3 inches to 7 feet so that the definition reads “Story, Half: A story which is under a gable, hipped, or gambrel roof, where less than one half the floor area measured from the underside of the roof framing to the finished floor below has a clear height of 7 feet or more”; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Elizabeth Pyle and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 25 **ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/DRIVEWAY SLOPE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to amend the maximum allowable driveway slope by amending SECTION 6.1.10.A. LOCATION OF PARKING SPACES to require that the maximum allowable driveway slope cannot exceed 15% for the entire length of said driveway so that the provision reads “Any driveway leading to off-street parking on a lot shall not exceed a 15% downward slope for the entire length of said driveway, except by Special Permit”; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Elizabeth Pyle and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 26 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/BILLBOARDS AND SIGNS**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws, Title V, Article 1 “Billboards and Signs: Restrictions on Use,” by removing paragraphs A through I to support consolidation of the sign regulations in the Zoning Bylaw; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the Request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 27 **BYLAW AMENDMENTS/ TOWN MEETING SPEAKING TIMES**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title I, Article 1, Section 7(C) of the Town Bylaws ("Town Meetings: Regulation of Speakers, Time Limits") to reduce the time limit for speakers at Town Meeting for the first time on the floor from seven minutes to five minutes, and for the second time from five minutes to three minutes; or take any action relate thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Michael Jacoby Brown and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 28 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND MISSION**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws, Title II, Article 7: Arlington Recycling Committee to expand Committee membership from eight to ten; and further to revise the purpose and mission of the Committee to encompass a wider array of solid waste reduction methods; amend the charge of the Committee and associated Departments to achieve such revised purposes; and to remove Section 3 “Cost Effectiveness”; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Recycling Committee)

ARTICLE 29 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/REGULATION OF POLYSTYRENE**

To see if the Town will vote to regulate or prohibit the sale or distribution of polystyrene products at retail, food service, and other establishments; or take any other action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Recycling Committee)

ARTICLE 30 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/WATERLINE REPLACEMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to require inspection, and as needed, repair or replacement of all residential and commercial water connections prior to the sale of any privately owned property within the Town of Arlington; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 31 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/RENAME COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to rename the Community Preservation Committee; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Community Preservation Committee)

ARTICLE 32 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/TREE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws, Title V Regulations Upon the Use of Private Property, Article 16: Tree Protection and Preservation to: amend the definition of Protected Trees so as to include smaller trees (in diameter at breast height or “DBH”), and amend the definition of tree removal so as to include intentional or unintentional damage to Protected Trees during and construction which results in the death of Protected Trees; amend

requirements of tree plans to further require identification of public shade and/or street trees and critical root zones of Protected Trees; remove the option to mitigate loss of Protected Trees by planting of replacement trees; and further detail the Select Board's authority to establish rules and regulations to administer the bylaw for the purposes of carrying out the intent of this bylaw, including but not limited to review and approval of tree plans, and presiding over enforcement actions as necessary; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Tree Committee)

ARTICLE 33 BYLAW AMENDMENT/NOTICE OF DEMOLITION

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to include trees subject to the Tree Protection and Preservation Bylaw as requiring a notice of demolition by amending TITLE VI, BUILDING REGULATIONS, ARTICLE 7, NOTICE OF DEMOLITION to include reference to the removal of trees subject to the Tree Protection and Preservation Bylaw in paragraphs A and B; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Elizabeth Pyle and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 34 BYLAW AMENDMENT/REGULATION OF OUTDOOR LIGHTING – DARK SKIES BYLAW

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to further regulate outdoor lighting; to reduce or eliminate light pollution (artificial light which causes a detrimental effect on the environment, interferes with the enjoyment of the night sky, causes undesirable glare, or unnecessary illumination of adjacent properties); determine the penalty for violation thereof; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Paul Schlichtman and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 35 BYLAW AMENDMENT/SHORT-TERM RENTAL REGULATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to require registration, inspection, and other regulations governing the operation of short-term rentals as defined by c. 64G in Arlington; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 36 VOTE/ELECTION MODERNIZATION STUDY GROUP

To see if the Town will vote to establish a study group to examine ways of modernizing the Town's electoral system and make recommendations to the Town Clerk, the Select Board, and Town Meeting, including, but not limited to, voter registration practices, early voting practices, non-citizen voting, and ranked choice voting at the next Annual Town Meeting; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Christa Kelleher and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 37 VOTE/REMOVE POLICE CHIEF FROM CIVILSERVICE

To see if the Town will vote to remove the position of Chief of Police from Civil Service in the Town of Arlington including taking all necessary measures to effectuate such a vote; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 38

VOTE/SET SENIOR TAX DEFERRAL LIMIT

To see if the Town will vote to set a Senior Property Tax Deferral Limit consistent with Chapter 312 of the Acts of 2018; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 39

VOTE/AUTHORIZATION TO DEACCESSION TOWN PROPERTY-LIBRARY ART PRINTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Board of Trustees to deaccession and/or dispose of by sale, donation, or other means, the Robbins Art Print Collection; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board and at the request of the Library Board of Trustees)

ARTICLE 40

VOTE/ROBBINS LIBRARY PARKING COSTS

To see if the Town will vote to change the cost of parking in the spaces behind and in front of the Robbins Library; or take any action related thereto; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Andrew Fisher and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 41

VOTE/ARLINGTON REDEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS

To see if the Town will vote to change the membership of the Arlington Redevelopment Board from four members appointed by the Town Manager and one appointed by the State to four members elected by the voters of the Town and one appointed by the State, and change the terms of all members to five years; or take any action relate thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Christopher Loreti and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 42

HOME RULE LEGISLATION/TOWN TREASURER

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Select Board to file Home Rule Legislation to update the Town Manager Act to reflect the transition of the Treasurer’s Office from an elected to appointed position; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 43

HOME RULE LEGISLATION/MEANS-TESTED SENIOR TAX RELIEF

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Select Board to file Home Rule Legislation which would establish a locally controlled, means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption, known as a local option “circuit breaker” program; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 44

HOME RULE LEGISLATION/CPA SURCHARGE EXEMPTION FOR SENIOR HOMEOWNERS

To see if the Town will vote to allow senior homeowners over 65 years of age who have lived in their homes for ten years or more to opt out of the CPA surcharge; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Bob Radochia and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 45 **EXTENDING LOCAL VOTING RIGHTS TO ALL LEGAL PERMANENT ARLINGTON RESIDENTS**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Select Board to file a petition with the General Court to enable legal permanent residents of the United States who are also Arlington residents to vote in elections for Town Offices and local ballot questions; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Benjamin Rudick and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 46 **ACCEPTANCE OF LEGISLATION/ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to accept provisions of Mass General Law 40, Section 22G regarding allocating all funds received from fines assessed for violations of handicap parking to the Arlington Commission on Disabilities. Funds so received shall be deposited by the city or Town Treasurer in a separate account and shall be used solely for the benefit of persons with disabilities. Expenditures from said account, including accrued interest, if any, shall be made upon the recommendation of the Commission of Disabilities in accordance with the accepted procedures of the Town for the disbursement of funds, including the approval of the Town Manager or Select Board. The Town Treasurer shall submit annually a report of said account to the Town Manager or Select Board for review and a copy of said report shall be forwarded to the Bureau of Accounts; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Commission on Disabilities)

ARTICLE 47 **ACCEPTANCE OF LEGISLATION/PEG ACCESS FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Cable Access Fund, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F³/₄, said fund to be funded by fees received pursuant to the Town's cable franchise agreements, and furthermore, to transfer all funds currently held by the Town for the purpose of cable PEG access operations to said fund, said transfer to be effective upon passage of this article; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 48 **APPROPRIATION/PEG ACCESS BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer a sum or sums of money for the support of public, educational, and/or governmental ("PEG") access cable television services, said sum or sums to be provided for by the cable franchise agreements and cable licensing fees, detailed in an operational cost, building expenses, and capital expense budget, and expended under the direction of the Town Manager; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 49 **ACCEPTANCE/LOCAL OPTION TAXES**

To see if the Town will vote to accept any local option taxes or other revenue raising options, which are made available to cities and towns through enactments of the legislature, by state regulation or court action; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 50 LOCAL OPTION/SHORT TERM RENTAL IMPACT FEES

To see if the Town will vote to adopt a local option “community impact” fee for short-term rentals of residential or commercial properties pursuant to G.L. c. 64G sec. 3D(a); and/or also adopt a second local “community impact” fee for short-term rentals pursuant to G.L. c. 64G sec. 3D(b); or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 51 ENDORSEMENT OF CDBG APPLICATION

To see if the Town will vote to endorse the application for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 prepared by the Town Manager and Select Board under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) as amended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board and at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 52 REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to hear or receive a report concerning the receipts and expenditures of approved revolving funds, amend the Town Bylaws to adopt new revolving funds, and/or to appropriate sums of money to such revolving funds and determine how the money shall be raised or expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board)

ARTICLE 53 ENDORSEMENT OF PARKING BENEFIT DISTRICT EXPENDITURES

To see if the Town will vote to endorse the Parking Benefit District operating and capital expenditures for Fiscal Year 2020 prepared by the Town Manager and the Select Board consistent with the Town Bylaws; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board and at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 54 APPROVAL/PARKING OPERATING COSTS

To see if the Town will appropriate or transfer a sum of money to fund appropriate operating costs of new parking equipment and measures from the Special Revolving Parking Fund established under Article 7 of the October 2016 Special Town Meeting; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 55 POSITIONS RECLASSIFICATION

To see if the Town will vote to make additions, deletions and/or modifications to the Classification and Pay Plan, appropriate a sum of money to fund same if necessary, determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Human Resources)

ARTICLE 56 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in collective bargaining agreements between the Town and the following named collective bargaining units, and to fund for non-union, M Schedule, and elected officials’ salaries or fringe benefits, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto:

- A. Local 680, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees;
- B. Service Employees International Union;
- C. Robbins Library Professional Association;
- D. Local 1297, International Association of Firefighters;
- E. Arlington Police Patrol Officers' Association (formerly Arlington Patrolmen's Association);
- F. Arlington Ranking Police Officers' Association;
- G. M Schedule and non-union employees; and
- H. Full-time elected officials

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 57

APPROPRIATION/TOWN BUDGETS

To see if the Town will vote to make appropriations to defray Town obligations, liabilities, outlay and expenses and especially for or relating to all or any of the boards, departments, purposes and matters hereinafter mentioned, and to provide for the disposal of motor vehicles and other personal property belonging to the Town, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto: Finance Committee, Select Board, Town Manager, Human Resources, Comptroller, Information Technology, Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, Assessors, Legal and Workers' Compensation, Town Clerk, Registrars, Planning and Community Development, Redevelopment Board, Parking, Zoning Board of Appeals, Public Works, Facilities, Cemeteries, Community Safety, School Department, Libraries, Human Services, Insurance, Non-Contributory Pensions, Contributory Pensions, Town Debt and Interest, Reserve Fund, and/or any other Town Departments, Boards, Commissions or Committees, Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund, Recreation Enterprise Fund, Council on Aging Transportation Enterprise Fund, Veterans' Memorial Rink Enterprise Fund, and Youth Services Enterprise Fund.

(Inserted by the Select Board and at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 58

CAPITAL BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of purchasing, leasing, or bonding of capital equipment, infrastructure, buildings or other projects of the Town or to acquire real property for municipal purposes; to appropriate a sum of money to fund previously incurred or future Town debt, to acquire land for said projects where necessary by purchase, eminent domain taking or otherwise, determine how the money shall be raised including the possibility of borrowing any or all of the same, or the transfer of funds from any previous appropriation, determine how such money shall be expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board and at the request of the Town Manager and the Capital Planning Committee)

ARTICLE 59

RESCIND OR REAPPROPRIATE BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS FROM PRIOR YEARS

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authority to borrow or appropriate funds, from prior years' authorizations, the amounts remaining with regard to any numbered prior Annual and/or Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 60

**APPROPRIATION/TRANSPORTATION
INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$25,813.30 received by the Town from the Commonwealth Transportation Infrastructure Fund to address the impact of transportation network services on municipal roads, bridges and other transportation infrastructure or any other public purpose substantially related to the operation of transportation network services in the Town including, but not limited to, the Complete Streets Program, accepted by Town Meeting on May 4, 2015, established in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90I, Section 1 and other programs that support alternative modes of transportation; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 61

**APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR
RECONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS AND SEWERAGE
FACILITIES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of sewers and sewerage facilities for inflow/infiltration reduction or system rehabilitation, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine how the appropriation shall be raised or expended, including the possibility of borrowing all or some of same; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works)

ARTICLE 62

**APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR
RECONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS AND WATER
FACILITIES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of water mains and water facilities, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine how the appropriation shall be raised and expended including the possibility of borrowing all or some of same; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works)

ARTICLE 63

**APPROPRIATION/MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL
TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL AND OUT OF DISTRICT
VOCATIONAL PLACEMENTS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying the Town's apportioned share of the operating and maintenance costs, including capital costs, tuition, and all of Arlington's other obligations under the Minuteman Regional School District Agreement for the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School, as well as paying the tuition for all other out of district vocational education placements, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Minuteman Regional Vocational School District Committee)

ARTICLE 64

APPROPRIATION/COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to be expended under the direction of various committees, commissions, and boards of the Town, determine how the money shall be raised; provided that any funds appropriated hereunder shall remain under the jurisdiction of said entities until expended at their direction, unless otherwise appropriated by the

Preservation Committee administrative expenses or other eligible expenses; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Community Preservation Committee)

ARTICLE 69 **APPROPRIATION/HARRY BARBER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for the Harry Barber Community Service Program for the Council on Aging, to determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Council on Aging)

ARTICLE 70 **APPROPRIATION/PENSION ADJUSTMENT FOR FORMER TWENTY-FIVE YEAR/ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY EMPLOYEES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to implement the provisions of Chapter 32 of Massachusetts General Laws Section 90A, 90C, 90D and 90E, pursuant to which the Town pays up to fifty percent of the maximum salary as set forth in the Compensation and Pay Plan for the position formerly held by retired employees with twenty-five or more years of service to the Town and those employees who retired under an Accidental Disability; provided, however, that no one who retires after May 1, 2010 shall be eligible under this vote unless they qualify for at least a fifty percent pension, without this vote upon their retirement; this adjustment to be paid to those who qualify and administered in accordance with prior practice and understanding relating to the retirement allowance of said retirees; determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

ARTICLE 71 **APPROPRIATION/OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) TRUST FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to accept into the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund, established by Chapter 161 of the Acts of 2005, an appropriation of funds and/or the transfer of additional monies that the Town may deem advisable from other sources, including any monies previously deposited into any of the Town's stabilization funds for this purpose, in order to administer and fund its OPEB obligation as described in the said Chapter 161 of the Acts of 2005; determine how the monies shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

ARTICLE 72 **APPROPRIATION/OVERLAY RESERVE**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from previous years overlay reserve surplus accounts, determine to what purpose this appropriation shall be made; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 73

TRANSFER OF FUNDS/CEMETERY

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money to the Cemetery Commissioners for the improvement of Town cemeteries, said sum shall be taken from the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery "Sale of Lots and Graves" and/or "Perpetual Care Funds"; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 74

USE OF FREE CASH

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the taking of a sum of money voted for appropriations heretofore made at the Town Meeting under the Warrant and not voted to be borrowed from available funds in the Treasury, and authorize the Assessors to use free cash in the Treasury to that amount in the determination of the tax rate for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 75

APPROPRIATION/CANNABIS MITIGATION STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, as amended, or other appropriate provisions of law, determine how much money should be transferred into or out of such Stabilization Fund; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 76

APPROPRIATION/LONG TERM STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will make an appropriation to the Long Term Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, as amended, or other appropriate provisions of law, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 77

APPROPRIATION/FISCAL STABILITY STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will make an appropriation to or from the Fiscal Stability Stabilization Fund created under Article 65 of the 2005 Annual Town Meeting or any other enabling action of Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, as amended, or other appropriate provisions of law, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 78

RESOLUTION/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

To see if the Town will vote to adopt a resolution to celebrate "Indigenous Peoples' Day" on the second Monday in October, instead of Columbus Day, in order to celebrate the heritage of those people indigenous to Massachusetts; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Select Board at the request of the Arlington Human Rights Commission)

**ARTICLE 79 RESOLUTION/OVERNIGHT PARKING EXEMPTION PROGRAM
FOR MEDICAL AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS**

To see if the Town will vote to provide a non-binding resolution to support an overnight parking program that provides exemptions for persons with medical and/or financial hardships; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Laura Kiesel and ten registered voters)

.... (SIGNED)

....A true copy.

Attest:

(SIGNED)

DANIEL J. DUNN
DIANE M. MAHON
JOSEPH A. CURRO, JR.
JOHN V. HURD
CLARISSA ROWE

SELECT BOARD
OF THE
TOWN
OF
ARLINGTON

RICHARD BOYLE
CONSTABLE

**Warrant For
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, April 29, 2019**

**TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Arlington, in said County:

GREETINGS

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Arlington to meet in the

**Town Hall
In said Town on
MONDAY THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL 2019**

at 8:00 P.M., at which time and place the following articles are to be acted upon and determined exclusively by Town Meeting Members, in accordance with, and subject to, the referenda provided by Chapter 43A of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 1 CAPITAL BUDGET/ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL REBUILD

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, an amount of money to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager and/or the Arlington High School Building Committee to demolish, design, construct or re-construct and originally equip Arlington High School located at 869 Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA, for which the Town may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority; or take any action related thereto. The MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs the Town incurs in connection with the design, demolition, construction, re-construction, or equipping of the High School in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 2 ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE/PARCEL 54-3-3.A
(25 GROVE STREET)**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to acquire, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, in fee simple, an approximately 8,427 square foot developed parcel of land identified as parcel 54-3-3.A, located at 25 Grove Street, Arlington, including all buildings and structures thereon, and all privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, as well as all trees and shrubs thereon, excepting therefrom any easements of record included within such description by whomsoever the same may be owned, for general municipal purposes, and for all purposes and uses accessory thereto, including but not limited to, *inter alia*, the expansion of either or both the existing Department of Public Works facility and/or the Arlington High School campus and

Arlington High School educational facilities and amenities, including parking, service stations and areas for DPW vehicles, and/or class rooms, conference and meeting rooms, study areas and educational office space, and that to meet such expenditure to appropriate a sum of money to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager, to pay costs of acquiring said property, and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine whether such amount shall be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise; to authorize the Town Manager and Select Board to apply for, accept and expend any grants from any source whatsoever that may be available to pay any portion of this project; or to take any other action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 3 APPROPRIATION/FUTURE ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer a sum of money to fund development of amendments to Arlington’s Zoning Bylaw to align with the Arlington Master Plan, including payment of consultant fees in furtherance of the process; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 4 DISPOSITION OF REAL ESTATE/ PARCEL 133-1-8
 GLOUCESTER STREET**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of, or grant access to or through a 216 square foot parcel of land identified as 133-1-8 Gloucester Street by sale, grant of easement, or otherwise under such terms as the Town may specify consistent with applicable legal requirements; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 5 APPROPRIATION/RESIDENTIAL DESIGN GUIDELINES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer a sum of money to fund development of residential design guidelines, including payment of a consultant to develop such guidelines and recommend a design review process for the Town; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 6 APPROPRIATION/MUGAR PROPERTY APPLICATION REVIEWS

To see if the Town will appropriate or transfer a sum of money to fund support of the review and/or comment of any application or request for approval to the Town or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for or accessory or otherwise related to the construction of residential dwelling units off of Dorothy Road in Arlington, Massachusetts (otherwise known as the “Thorndike Place” or the “Mugar Property”), including payment of legal, consultant, expert, and technical review fees in furtherance of such review and/or comment, and any legal actions reasonably arising therefrom permissible under law; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

HOW TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Reasons for voting absentee

You may vote absentee if you are registered and will be unable to vote at the polls on Election Day because of

Absence from the Town
Physical disability
Religious beliefs

Illegal absentee voting is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 and up to five years in prison.

Applying for an absentee ballot

You must apply for an absentee ballot from the Town Clerk no later than noon of the day before the election. Applications may be mailed or hand delivered and you may use any form of written communication (letter or postcard) or the official application form.

Include on the application

Your name as registered
Your registration address
Precinct, if you know it
The precise address to which you wish the ballot sent
Your own signature

Requesting to vote by mail

A ballot will be sent to any address you specify including your own home. Be sure to apply early because the ballots must be sent by mail and may be returned by mail or hand delivered.

Requesting to vote in person

If you prefer, you may request to vote in person before Election Day. You may vote at the Town Hall before Election Day at a time arranged with the Clerk, but application for your ballot must be made no later than noon of the day before the election. A voter may apply for an absentee ballot and then vote over-the-counter during the same visit.

Applying to vote if you are absent from the state, in the armed services or a prisoner

Registered and unregistered residents of Massachusetts outside the state and residents on active duty in the armed forces and merchant marine and their spouses or dependents, and prisoners, may vote absentee. They may request an absentee ballot from the Town where they legally reside (if outside the U.S., where they resided last before leaving). In addition, a close relative may apply on their behalf in person at the Town Clerk's Office.

A parent of a registered voter who is a student at a Massachusetts college or university may apply for an absentee ballot on the student's behalf to the Town Clerk where the student is registered.

In all cases, unregistered voters must register in person when they return to the state, since this does not establish permanent registration.

What if I am permanently physically disabled?

If you are permanently physically disabled and cannot cast your vote at the polling place, you may file a letter from your physician with the Town Clerk, stating that you are permanently unable to cast your vote at the polling place because of physical disability. A completed application for an absentee ballot, for you to sign and return, must be mailed by the Town Clerk to you at least 28 days before every primary and election.

NOTE: Voters who are admitted to a health care facility after noon of the fifth day before an election may apply for an absentee ballot up until the polls close on the day of the election (rather than noon the day before the election) and must designate a person to hand deliver and return the absentee ballot.



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