

## **Town of Arlington**

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RE: Material Distribution

Dear Town Meeting Members:

I wish to welcome you to the upcoming Town of Arlington's 213<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Meeting and to advise upon the changes to the way Town Meeting Materials are going to be distributed next year and into the future. As you are aware we have established a Town Meeting webpage, arlingtonma.gov/townmeeting, where the Warrant, as well as the reports of the Redevelopment Board, Select Board, Finance Committee and all other Committees and Boards, as well as subsequent reports, all substitute motions and amendments to motions are, or will be, available for online review and download.

If you have joined the Town Meeting Members email list serve for the prior electronic distribution of materials, notices of all posting will be delivered to you through this email list. If you have not joined the list serve do so now by visiting: <a href="mailto:arlingtonma.gov/communications-center/emailsubscription-lists">arlingtonma.gov/communications-center/emailsubscription-lists</a>. At the bottom of the page select the "Town Meeting Members" box to subscribe. This is a non-discussion list. The purpose of the list is to disseminate materials to Town Meeting Members about Town Meeting Warrant Articles only (substitute motions, presentations, etc.) in advance of debate and voting so all members can be well prepared.

We currently have over 135 Members who have requested electronic distribution of materials. This is an important step toward streamlining Town Meeting, reducing paper and printing waste, and minimizing wasted resources. Please bring your tablet, computer or electronic device to Town Meeting and log onto the Town Hall network. Log in instructions will be projected on the overhead screen. It is our intention to test the capacity of the Town Meeting network this year in anticipation of all electronic distribution of material next year. In 2020 printed materials at Town Hall during Town Meeting will be reduced. This is a change from our past practice of a courtesy mailing of materials to all Town Meeting Members and providing ample paper copies at Town Hall.

Thank you in advance for your patience and continued cooperation as we work to streamline Town Meeting and reduce waste.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely

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