

## Arlington 2023 Annual Town Meeting — Amendment 3

ARTICLE NO. 12

Dated: 5/4/2023

I, Greg Dennis, do hereby submit the following amendment to the Melofchik substitute motion under Article 12.

In the voted text, strike “; Town Meeting further decrees a temporary moratorium on the construction or installation of artificial turf on Town property as articulated below. The use of artificial turf upon the grounds of Arlington High School, including Peirce Field, shall be exempted from this moratorium” So that the voted text reads as follows:

**VOTED:**

That Town Meeting hereby establishes an “Artificial Turf Study Committee” to be structured, organized and charged as outlined below; ~~Town Meeting further decrees a temporary moratorium on the construction or installation of artificial turf on Town property as articulated below. The use of artificial turf upon the grounds of Arlington High School, including Peirce Field, shall be exempted from this moratorium.~~

Further, strike the Moratorium section, as follows:

**Moratorium**

~~A. A temporary moratorium on the construction or installation of artificial turf on Town property will go into effect immediately upon passage of this motion. This moratorium will remain in effect until a final report by the study committee is received by Town Meeting, but no later than two (2) years from the date of passage of this motion.~~

~~B. The use of artificial turf upon the grounds of Arlington High School, including Peirce Field, shall be exempted from this moratorium.~~

**Commentary**

We should vote on the fate of the Poet’s Corner project in the fall, when the land swap vote is properly presented to Town Meeting, after the project has been presented to the Conservation Commission, and when we will have more details of the project in hand. Voting for a moratorium now ends the Poet’s Corner project before we have that information. This amendment brings the substitute motion in closer alignment to the Board of Health recommendation that we evaluate turf projects on a case-by-case basis.

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Greg Dennis  
Greg Dennis, Precinct 1

Date Voted: \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken: \_\_\_\_\_