

NATICK SELECT BOARD

AGENDA

Edward H. Dlott Meeting Room, Natick Town Hall,
13 East Central Street, Natick, MA 01760 and via
Zoom

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

6:00 PM

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Agenda Posted Friday, 03/15/2024 at 11:40 AM, amended 3/18/2024 at 4:50pm

(Times listed are approximate. Agenda items will be addressed in an order determined by the Chair.)

1. 6:00 PM OPEN SESSION

Call to Order and Vote to Enter Executive Session

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

This portion of the meeting is not open to the public.

- A. Pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 30A s. 21(a)(2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel: Town Administrator
- B. Pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 30A s. 21 (a)(3) To discuss strategy with respect to litigation where an open meeting will have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares: Linda Valentin, et al v. Town of Natick, et al, Docket No. 21- CV-10830 (D. Mass.)
- C. Pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 30A s. 21 (a)(3) To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining where an open meeting will have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares: Supervisors' and Administrators' Association (DPW Supervisors); Public Employees Local Union 1116 (DPW Laborers); Public Employees Local Union 1116 (Clerical); Public Employees Local Union 1116 (Library); New England Police Benevolent Association, Inc. Local 182 (Dispatchers).
- D. Pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 30A s. 21 (a)(3) To discuss strategy with respect to litigation where an open meeting will have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares: Zoning Enforcement
- E. Approve Executive Session Meeting Minutes - 02/05/2024
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F. Approve Executive Session Meeting Minutes - 02/26/2024

Pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 30A s. 21 (a)(2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel: Town Administrator

3. 7:30 RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. PUBLIC SPEAK

Any individual may raise an issue that is not included on the agenda and it will be taken under advisement by the Board. There will be no opportunity for debate during this portion of the meeting. This section of the agenda is limited to 15 minutes, and any individual addressing the Board during this section of the agenda shall be limited to five minutes.

6. 7:40 PM DISCUSSION AND DECISION

- A. March 26, 2024 ballot and steps to correct omission of Associate Planning Board position
- B. Approve Arbor Day Proclamation
- C. Review Department of Public Works Fees - Recycling Toters
- D. Pavement Management Program
- E. Sawin House Update
- F. Consider 2024 Spring Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles
- G. Review of Special Town Meeting #1 Articles
- H. Capital Plan Update

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Natick Center Cultural District - Request to Occupy a Public Way in October (Common Street)
- B. Natick Art Association - Request to Hang a Banner from October 11th to October 20th
- C. Recreation and Parks Department - Approve the Use of the Common
- D. Natick Farmer's Market - Approve Donut NV Food Truck at the Farmer's Market

E. Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes of 2/15/2024

F. Accept the Resignation of Gregory Bazaz from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund

8. TOWNADMINISTRATOR NOTES

9. SELECT BOARD'S CONCERNS

10. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Correspondence

11. ADJOURNMENT

Agenda posted in accordance with Provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30, Sections 18-25

Meeting recorded by Natick Pegasus

ITEM TITLE: March 26, 2024 ballot and steps to correct omission of Associate Planning Board position

ITEM SUMMARY:

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Memo to SB 3 26 24 ballot	3/18/2024	Cover Memo

MEMORANDUM

TO: Select Board

FROM: Jamie Errickson, Town Administrator
Karis North, Town Counsel
Lynn Kelly, Town Clerk

DATE: March 18, 2024

RE: March 26, 2024 Municipal Election

It has come to our attention that on the ballot for the March 26, 2024 municipal election, the position of Associate Planning Board member was inadvertently left off of the ballot. There is a single position available, for a five year term. The position was appropriately listed as being available on the Town website, but no nomination papers were turned in. Because there is no listing for the position on the ballot, there is no ability to accept write-in candidates for the position. As of the date of this memo, over 4000 mail-in ballots have been distributed for this election.

While the Natick Charter has a provision by which the Select Board may appoint a person to fill a position when there is a failure to elect,¹ Massachusetts General Laws require that all offices for election appear on the ballot. M.G.L. c. 54, section 60 states: “[n]otices or warrants for state and city elections and for the election of town officers in towns where official ballots are used shall specify by name all the offices to be voted for.”

In addition, the cases concerning elections are clear that where there is an irregularity that could impact the outcome of the election, a court may set aside that election outcome. See McCavitt v. Registrars of Voters of Brockton, 385 Mass. 833, 434 N.E.2d 620 (1982)(“Whenever the irregularities or illegality of [an] election is such that the result of the election would be placed in doubt, then the election must be set aside’ and the judge must order a new election.”) and Rizzo v. Bd. of Election Comm'rs of Revere, 403 Mass. 20, 21, 525 N.E.2d 409, 410 (1988) (“If there is a realistic possibility that the statutory violation influenced the outcome of the election, the election cannot stand.”). Here, the omission of the Associate Planning Board member position could impact the election for a Planning Board member, as voters could use that space for write-in votes.

In order to avoid confusion and potential impacts on the March 26, 2024 election, and in order to resolve the matter and properly elect an Associate Planning Board member, we recommend that

¹ If there is a failure to elect, or if a vacancy occurs in any town office, the Select Board members shall, in writing, appoint a person to fill such vacancy until the next town election. Charter, Article 3-1(g)(1).

the Select Board call a special election, solely for the purposes of electing an Associate Planning Board member. We recommend that the Select Board make this decision and notify the voters of Natick prior to the March 26, 2024 election, to minimize confusion and any impact on the outcome of that election. Calling such an election is within the powers of the Select Board under M.G.L. c. 39, section 10 (“Every town meeting or town election, except as hereinafter provided, shall be called in pursuance of a warrant, under the hands of the selectmen, notice of which shall be given at least seven days before the annual meeting or an annual or special election . . .”).

A special election must begin with the acceptance of new nomination papers, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 41, section 10. “If there is a failure at an election to choose a town officer, except a selectman, or if a person chosen shall not accept such office, or if a vacancy shall occur, the town may at any meeting elect a person to such office. . . . The proceedings in such election and the qualifications of a person to be elected or appointed in case of failure to elect, refusal to accept or vacancy shall be the same as in an original election.”

In order to allow for nominations to be received, the time frame for such an election requires at least 60 days for the process. This includes the minimum 14 days to allow nomination papers to be pulled and returned, once a special election is called, and all of the regular process by which papers are returned and certified. It also requires a preliminary election if there are more than two candidates for the office being elected.

We further recommend that the Board choose to opt out from the use of mail-in ballots, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 54, section 25B, which allows the Board, “after a public hearing and by recorded and public vote not less than 45 days prior to the date of the preliminary or election, to opt out of [mail in voting] any regular or special municipal preliminary or municipal election.

Given the required timing noted, we recommend that the Select Board authorize a special election for the position of Associate Member of the Planning Board.

ITEM TITLE: Approve Arbor Day Proclamation
ITEM SUMMARY:

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Proclamation	3/14/2024	Cover Memo

Arbor Day Proclamation

Whereas, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

Whereas, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife and,

Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and

Whereas, trees in our town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

Whereas, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

Now, therefore, we, the Select Board of the Town of Natick, do hereby proclaim, Friday April 26th, 2024 Arbor Day in the Town of Natick, and we urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

Further, we urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the wellbeing of this and future generations.

Dated, this twentieth day of March, two-thousand and twenty-four.

Bruce T. Evans, Chair

Kathryn M. Coughlin, Vice-Chair

Richard Sidney, Clerk

Paul R. Joseph

Kristen L. Pope

ITEM TITLE: Review Department of Public Works Fees - Recycling Toters
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Memo from John Westerling	3/15/2024	Cover Memo

TOWN OF NATICK
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

John Westerling

Director of Public Works

PHONE 508-647-6550

EMAIL jwesterling@natickma.org

LOCATED AT

Department of Public Works

75 West Street

Natick, Massachusetts

01760

To: James Errickson
Town Administrator

From: John K. Westerling
Director of Public Works

Date: March 14, 2024



Re: Proposed Price Increase for Recycling Totes

The DPW proposes increasing the price we charge residents for the delivery of recycling totes. These totes are purchased by residents who wish to have a second or third recycling tote. Every new home built receives a recycling tote free of charge. Every tote that is damaged is either repaired or replaced by the DPW at no cost to the resident.

The current price we charge is insufficient to cover our costs so we recommend the following increase for the two sizes of totes:

96 Gallon Tote	
Current Price Delivered to Residents	\$60.00
Current Cost from Vendor	\$71.24
DPW Cost to Deliver (Manpower, fuel, etc.)	\$10.00+
Proposed Price Delivered to Residents	\$85.00
64 Gallon Tote	
Current Price Delivered to Residents	\$50.00
Current Cost from Vendor	\$59.46
DPW Cost to Deliver (Manpower, fuel, etc.)	\$10.00+
Proposed Price Delivered to Residents	\$73.00

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information on this proposal.

ITEM TITLE: Pavement Management Program
ITEM SUMMARY:

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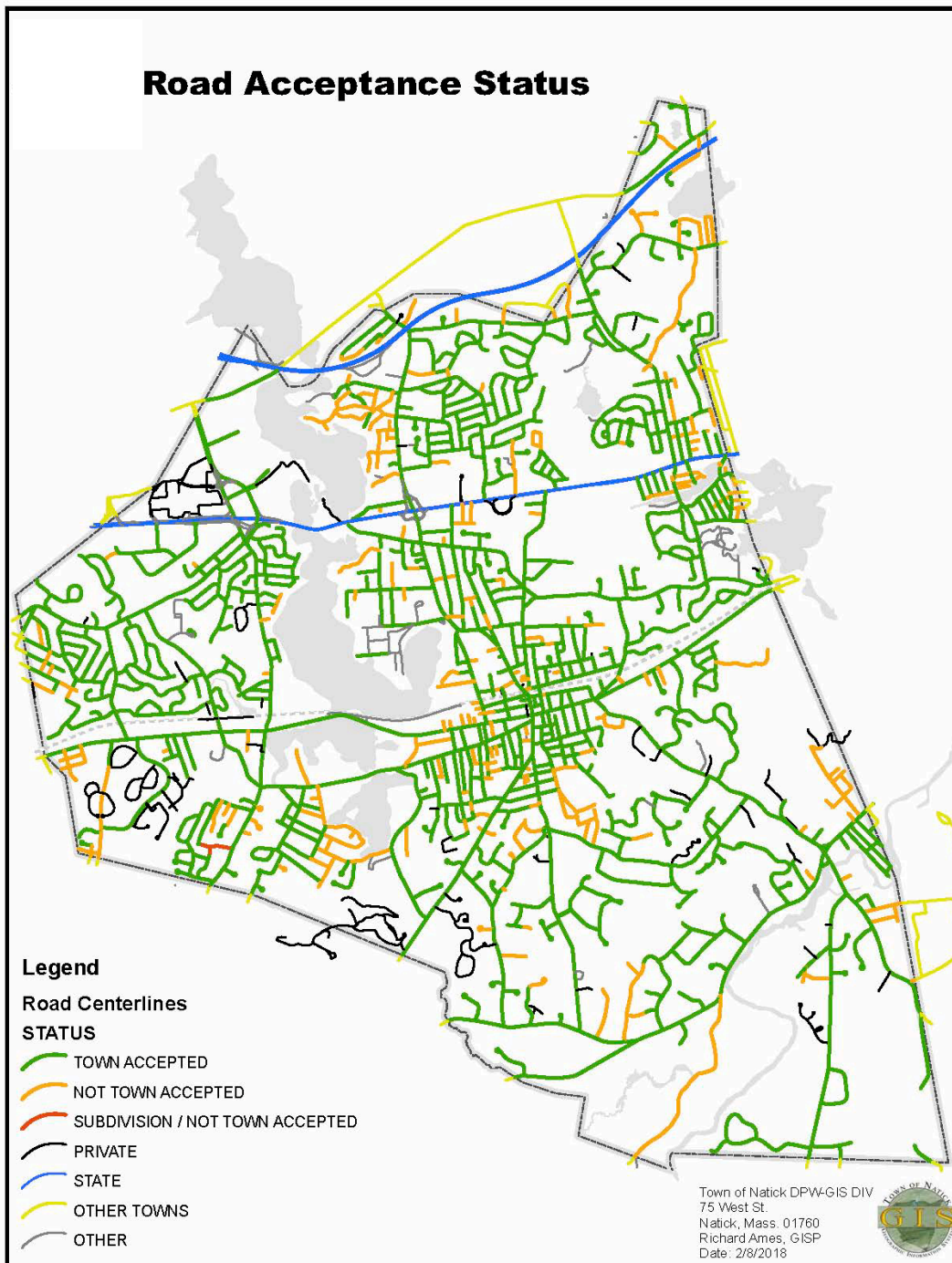
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Presentation	3/14/2024	Cover Memo

Town of Natick Department of Public Works



Pavement Management Discussion
March 20, 2024

Pavement Management Program



Road Status	Miles
Town Accepted Roads	128
Not Town Accepted	26

Pavement Management Program

- The goals:
 - Enhancing safety for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists
 - Prolonging the lifespan of roads to reduce long-term maintenance costs
 - Improving the overall quality of transportation infrastructure to support economic development and community growth
- The funding:
 - State Aid Chapter 90 approximately \$990K/year
 - General Fund supplements approximately \$2.5M/year
- The approach:
 - The DPW focuses on neighborhoods to minimize mobilization and maximize benefits
 - The Town adopted a Complete Streets program in 2015
 - Promotes sidewalks (approximately 30% of funding is expended on sidewalks)
 - Construct ADA compliant ramps at intersections



Pavement Management Program

The DPW develops a 5-Year Plan that lays out future paving work.

On February 8, 2023, the Select Board endorsed a 5-Year Plan:

2023

Beverly Rd
Longfellow Rd
Arlington Rd
Craft Rd
Wells St
Harwood Rd
Euclid Ave & Cir
Leland Rd
Otis St
Abbott Rd
Melvin Rd
Princeton St
Erie Dr
Huron Dr
Murdock Rd
Retrop Rd
Stillwater Cir
Hickory Rd
Wilogreen Rd
Carter Dr
Austin Way
Donovan Ln
University Dr
Strawberry Hill Rd
Arbor Cir
Oakridge Ave

2024

Hartford St Ext
Roundwood Rd
Terrace Rd
Deerfield Ln
Arbor Cir
Oakridge Ave
Stagg Dr
Bishop St
Nashobah Ct
Parkman St
Fairbanks Pl
Clifton Rd
Robinhood Rd
Columbia Ave
Highland St
Tyler St
Chestnut St
Frances Ave
Digren Rd
Hampton Rd
Archer Dr
Meeting House Ln
Wight Farm Rd
Beacon St
Arthur St
Eliot St
Ridge Ave
Bay State Rd

2025

Redmen Dr
Victoria Cir
Stacey St
Autumn Ln
Westfield Rd
Tamarack Rd
Pelham Rd
Second St
Pheasant Hollow Rd
Prescott Ave
Prospect St
Boden Ln
LaCosta Dr
Hartford St
Madonna St
Porter Rd
Pinehurst Ave
Wellesley Ave
Home Ave
Braemore Rd
Tournament Rd
Hardwick Rd
Bacon St
(Walnut-Wellesley)

2026

Penacook Ln
Skohegan Way
Arrow Path
Rockwood Rd
Sanctuary Blvd
Deer Path
Water St
Cohns St
Penobscot Dr
Algonquin Dr
Moccasin Path
Scarsdale Rd
Whispering Ln
South Lincoln St
River St
Woronoco Dr
Nokomis Way
Chieftain Lane
Libby Rd
Harvest Moon Dr
Cape St
Schaeller St

2027

2028

The list of roads for these years will be determined after we conduct a roadway pavement inventory in 2024. The last time the town did a roadway pavement inventory was 2019.



Pavement Management Program

Levels of Pavement Treatment Options:



Crack Sealing (\$)

- Structurally stable gravel base
- Very good riding surface
- Minor cracks developing
- Invest in minor repairs at this point to prolong the pavement life
- Minimally intrusive work



Mill and Overlay (\$\$\$)

- Structurally stable gravel base
- Surface irregularities (trench patches, moderate cracking)
- Invest in moderate repairs like mill and overlay to replace the top layer of pavement to save the structural integrity of the road
- Fairly intrusive Work



Reclamation (\$\$\$\$\$)

- Failure of the gravel base
- Failure of the riding surface (potholes, extensive cracking)
- Pavement and gravel base must be rehabilitated
- Maximally intrusive work

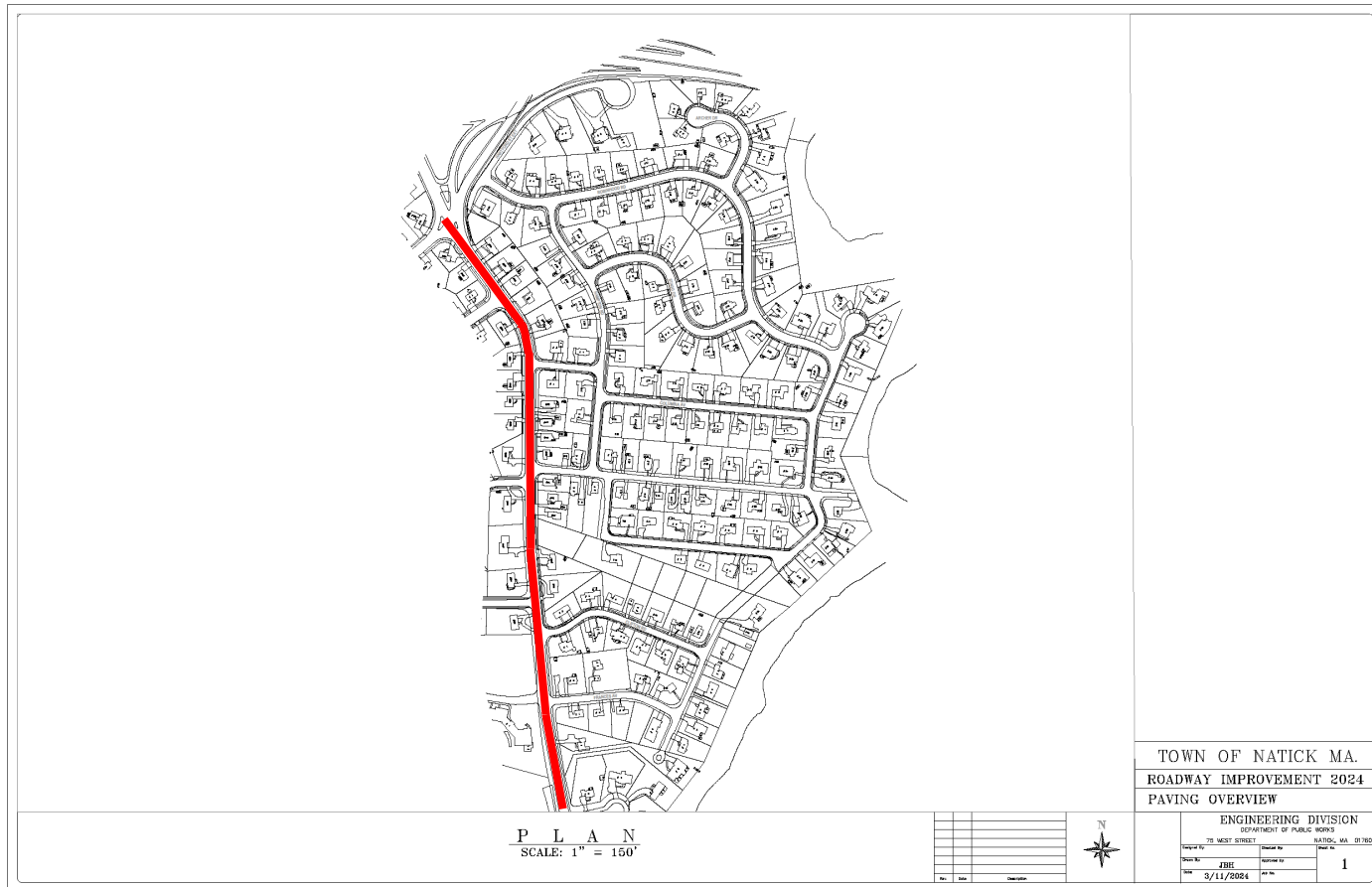


Pavement Management Program

2024 Pavement Improvements

TREATMENT	FEET OF ROAD	MILES OF ROAD	% of TOTAL COST
Crack Sealing	36,854 feet	7.0 miles	3%
Mill & Overlay	16,526 feet	3.13 miles	53%
Reclamation	3,273 feet	0.62 miles	44%
Mill & Overlay of West Central Street at Speen Street	450 feet		

Pavement Management Program



Columbia Avenue Area
(except the roads in **RED**)



Pavement Management Program



Bay State Road & Tyler Street Areas
(except the roads in **RED**)



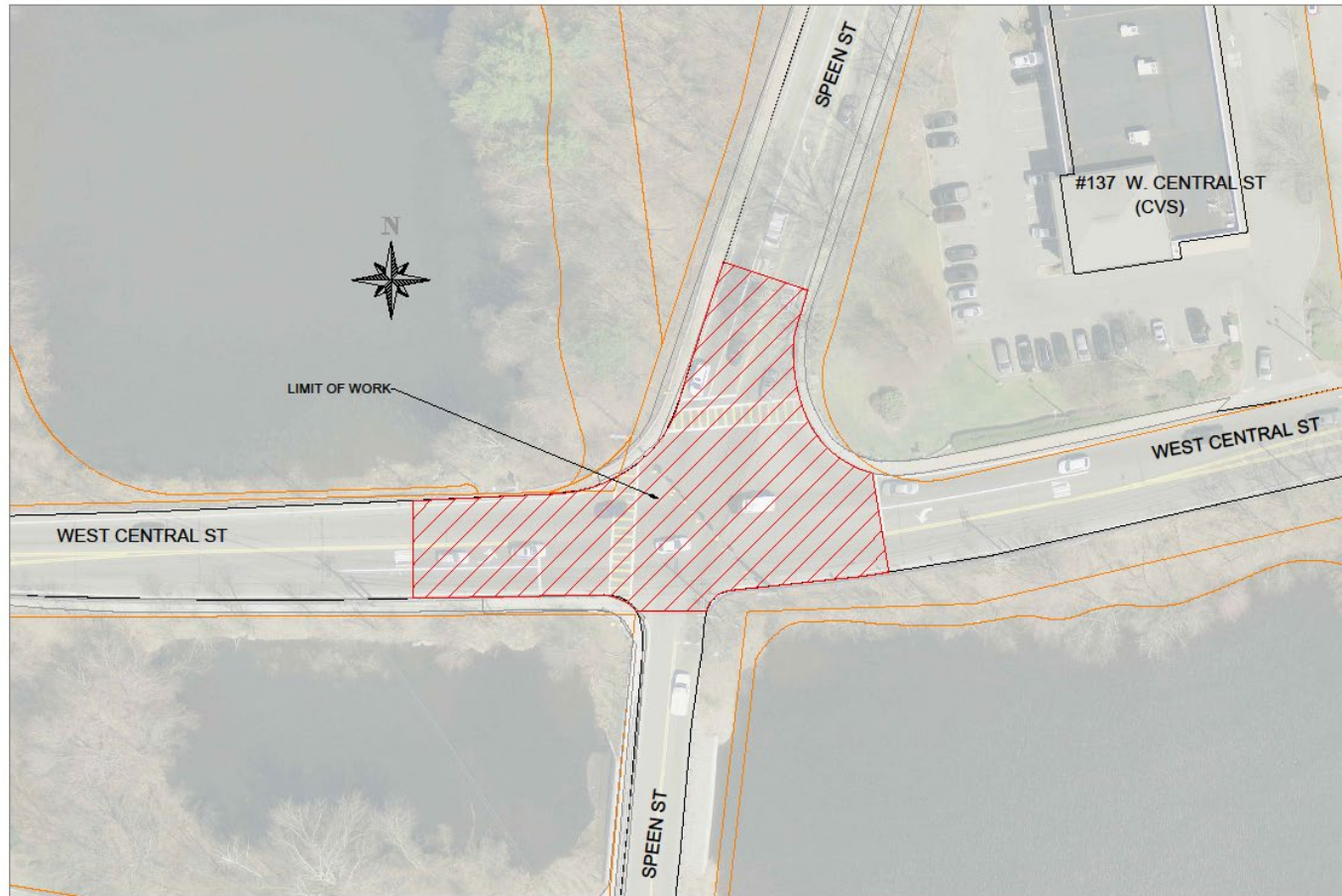
Pavement Management Program



Beacon Street & Roundwood Road Areas
(except the roads in **RED**)



Pavement Management Program



West Central Street @ Speen Street



Pavement Management Program

Roads to receive crack sealing:

Apple Ridge Rd
Aqueduct Rd
Bluestone Way
Cider Mill Ln
Circular Ave
Cobblestone Dr
Countryside Rd
Edson Rd
Eliot St
Elmwood Ave
Ernest Dr
Farm Hill Rd
Farwell St

Glen St
Glenwood St
Grace Cir
Hunter's Ln
Joshua Path
Ledge Lane
Michael Ter
Presbrey Place
Pleasant St
Rockridge Rd
Rockland St
Woodland St (Cottage - Farm Hill)

Pavement Management Program

- The DPW respectfully requests that the Select Board endorse the Pavement Management Program, as presented.
- The DPW will update the Select Board following the roadway pavement inventory.

ITEM TITLE: Sawin House Update
ITEM SUMMARY:

ITEM TITLE: Consider 2024 Spring Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles
ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

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Warrant	3/14/2024	Cover Memo

**WARRANT
SPRING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 23, 2024**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss

To Any Constable of the Town of Natick in said County:
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the qualified Town Meeting Members of the said Town of Natick to meet on **Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 7:30 PM**, Natick High School, Natick, MA, then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 1	Authorize Select Board to Acquire, Obtain, Abandon or Relocate Easements
Article 2	Committee Article
Article 3	Omnibus Budget
Article 4	Rescind Authorized, Unissued Debt
Article 5	Unpaid Bills
Article 6	Revolving Funds
Article 7	PEG Access and Cable Related Fund
Article 8	Collective Bargaining
Article 9	Transfer of Unexpended Bond Proceeds
Article 10	Stabilization Funds and OPEB
Article 11	School Bus Transportation Subsidy
Article 12	Capital Equipment and Improvement
Article 13	Personnel Board Classification and Pay Plan
Article 14	Amend Town of Natick By-Laws: Date of Spring Annual Town Meeting & Submission of Fiscal Documents
Article 15	Amend Town of Natick By-Laws: Article 42
Article 16	Transfer of Property/99 South Main Street "Johnson School"
Article 17	Amend Town of Natick By-Laws Article 10: Select Board Appointed Committees
Article 18	Adopt Specialized Energy Code
Article 19	An Act Authorizing the Town of Natick To Continue The Employment of Police Officer John Haswell
Article 20	Acceptance of MGL c. 43D Expedited Permitting
Article 21	Amend Zoning Bylaw: Use Regulation Schedule § III-A.2 and Associated Sections
Article 22	Amend Zoning Bylaw: Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements
Article 23	Amend Zoning Bylaw: Special Permit and Site Plan Review and Approval
Article 24	Amend Zoning Bylaw and Map: North Main Street – Center Gateway Expansion
Article 25	Amend Zoning Map: 5 Commonwealth Road
Article 26	Amend Town of Natick By-Laws: Article 79
Article 27	Speen Street and West Central Street (a.k.a. Route 135) Improvements
Article 28	Paid Family Medical Leave for Town of Natick Employees
Article 29	Rezoning of 0 (R) East Central Street and 0 Dorset Lane – Option One
Article 30	Rezoning of 0 (R) East Central Street and 0 Dorset Lane – Option Two
Article 31	Amendments to Zoning Bylaw and Zoning Map: Establish Conservation Assisted Living and Memory Care (CALM) Overlay District and include certain property therein.

Article 1
Authorize Select Board to Acquire, Obtain, Abandon or Relocate Easements
(Town Administrator)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, during Fiscal Year 2025, to acquire on behalf of the Town any and all easements for any of the following purposes: roads, sidewalks, vehicular and/or pedestrian access or passage, drainage and utilities, provided however that such authorization pertains only to easements acquired at no cost to the Town; and, further, to authorize the Select Board, subsequent to a public hearing, during Fiscal Year 2025 to abandon or relocate easements acquired for any of the foregoing purposes; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 2
Committee Article
(Town Administrator)

To see if the Town will vote to hear and discuss the reports of town officers, boards, and committees; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 3
Omnibus Budget
(Town Administrator)

Town

To determine what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise, transfer from available funds for the operation of the government of the Town of Natick, including debt and interest, during Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024) and to provide for reserve funds for Fiscal Year 2024 and to see what budgets for Fiscal Year 2024 will be reduced to offset said additional appropriations;

To determine what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise, or transfer from available funds for the operation of the government of the Town of Natick, including debt and interest, during Fiscal Year 2025 (July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025) and to provide for reserve funds for Fiscal Year 2025;

Libraries

To determine what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for the maintenance and operation of the Morse Institute Library and the Bacon Free Library, for Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024);

To determine what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for the maintenance and operation of the Morse Institute Library and the Bacon Free Library, for Fiscal Year 2025 (July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025);

or otherwise act thereon.

Article 4
Rescind Authorized, Unissued Debt
(Town Administrator)

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authorization for unissued debt that has been determined is no longer needed for the completion of various projects; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 5
Unpaid Bills
(Town Administrator)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for the payment of unpaid bills of previous years, incurred by the departments, boards and officers of the Town of Natick; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 6
Revolving Funds
(Town Administrator)

To see if the Town will vote on the limit on the total amount that may be expended from each revolving fund established pursuant to Chapter 44 section 53E ½ of the General Laws and Town by-law; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 7
PEG Access and Cable Related Fund
(Town Administrator)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, established by vote of 2019 Special Town Meeting #1 under Article 1, as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53F ¾ of the General Laws, as amended, to fund PEG access programming, as well as certain other municipal cable related expenses; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 8
Collective Bargaining
(Town Administrator)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, to implement any Collective Bargaining Agreements between the Town of Natick and any recognized bargaining units of the Town; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 9
Transfer of Unexpended Bond Proceeds
(Town Administrator)

To see if the Town will authorize the transfer of unexpended proceeds from amounts previously borrowed to pay costs of various capital projects, which projects are now complete, and for which such funds are no longer needed, to pay costs of one or more capital projects; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 10
Stabilization Funds and OPEB
(Town Administrator)

General Stabilization

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide for the purpose of supplementing the Stabilization Fund established under Article 22 of the warrant for Annual Town Meeting of 1961, as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the General Laws, as amended;

Operational Stabilization

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide for the purpose of supplementing the Operational Stabilization Fund established by vote of the 2011 Spring Annual Town Meeting under Article 4, as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the General Laws, as amended;

Capital Stabilization

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide for the purpose of supplementing the Capital Stabilization Fund established by vote of the 2010 Fall Annual Town Meeting under Article 2, as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the General Laws, as amended;

OPEB

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide for, the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund established by vote of the 2017 Spring Annual Town Meeting under Article 15, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the General Laws as amended by section 15 of Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2016;

or otherwise act thereon.

Article 11
School Bus Transportation Subsidy
(Superintendent of Schools)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of operation and administration of the school bus transportation system, and to reduce or offset fees charged for students who elect to use the school bus transportation system for transportation to and from school, for Fiscal Year 2025 (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025); or otherwise act thereon.

Article 12
Capital Equipment and Improvement
(Town Administrator)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide to implement a Capital Improvement Program as may be

required for capital equipment for the various departments of the Town of Natick; to protect the physical infrastructure of the Town of Natick, to add new physical infrastructure, or to improve community assets; and further to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 13
Personnel Board Classification and Pay Plan
(Town Administrator)

To see if the Town, pursuant to the authority contained in Section 108A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, will vote to amend Article 24 of the Natick Town By-Laws, specifically the Classification and Pay Plan referenced in Section 3, paragraph 3.10 therein, by adding, deleting or amending position titles; re-classifying positions to a different Grade; and/or effecting changes in the salary ranges as presently established; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 14
Amend Natick By-Laws: Dates of Spring Annual Town Meeting & Submission of Fiscal Documents
(Select Board)

To see what action the Town will take to amend the Town of Natick By-Laws by Modifying Article 1, Section 1: Annual Town Election and Town Meetings regarding the Spring Annual Town Meeting, and/or Article 20, Section 2: Dates of Submission of Fiscal Documents regarding the date for submission of the preliminary budget for the next fiscal year; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 15
Amend the Natick By-Laws: Article 42
(Select Board)

To see what action the Town will take to amend, adjust, replace, and/or delete the Town of Natick By-Laws Article 42: Licenses, which deals with storage of fuel oils and transient vendors; or otherwise act thereon.

Article 16
Transfer of Property/99 South Main Street “Johnson School”
(Select Board)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer property located at 99 South Main Street, Natick MA 01760, also known as the “Johnson School” from the jurisdiction of the School Committee to the jurisdiction of the Select Board; or taken any action related thereto.

Article 17
Amend the Natick By-Laws Article 10: Select Board Appointed
Committees
(Select Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 10 of the general bylaws of the Town to modify the list of committees appointed by the Select Board, or otherwise act thereon.

Article 18
Adopt Specialized Energy Code
(Select Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 72B of the Town of Natick General By-Laws to adopt the “Specialized Energy Code” for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, pursuant to the entirety of 225 CMR 22 and 23 including Appendices RC and CC, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 19
An Act Authorizing the Town Of Natick to Continue the Employment of Police Officer
John Haswell
(Select Board)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to file Special Legislation with the General Court under the Home Rule Amendment to the Massachusetts Constitution or take any other action thereon, said Special Legislation to read as follows; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Select Board approves amendments thereto before enactment by the General Court, which amendments shall be within the public purposes of said petition; or take any other action relative thereto.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NATICK TO CONTINUE THE
EMPLOYMENT OF POLICE OFFICER JOHN HASWELL.

SECTION I. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, John Haswell, Police Officer of the Town of Natick, may continue to serve in that position until reaching age 68, the date of his retirement, or the date he is relieved of his duties by the Select Board at their discretion, whichever occurs first; provided, however, that he is mentally and physically capable of performing the duties of an officer. The Select Board may, at the Town's own expense, require that John Haswell be examined annually by a physician designated by the Select Board, to determine such physical and mental capability to perform the duties of his office.

No further deductions shall be made from the regular compensation of John Haswell, pursuant to chapter 32 of the General Laws for service subsequent to his reaching age 65; and upon retirement for superannuation, he shall receive a superannuation retirement

allowance equal to the allowance that he would have been entitled had he retired upon reaching age 65.

Article 20
Acceptance of MGL c. 43D Expedited Permitting
(Town Administrator)

To see if the Town of Natick will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 43D of the Massachusetts General Law, and to approve the filing of an application with the Massachusetts Interagency Permitting Board to designate the following properties as Priority Development Sites under said Chapter 43D, which includes land at 1298 Worcester Street (24-89A); 1 Mercer Road (24-89K); 3 Dean Road (24-89E); 29 Strathmore Road (24-89CB); 0 Worcester Street (24-89CD); 1290 Worcester Street (24-89CD); 0 Worcester Street (24-89CE); and 321 Speen Street (17-4C); or act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Article 21
Amend Zoning Bylaw: Use Regulation Schedule § III-A.2 and Associated Sections
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Natick Zoning Bylaw by amending § III-A.2 Use Regulations Schedule to incorporate, modify, or delete Use Categories and permitting requirements; amend Section 200 – Definitions; amend § III, § IV, § V, § VI, and Sections 323-329 and any other associated sections, where applicable; or act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Article 22
Amend Zoning Bylaw: Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by amending § V-D.3, Table 1: Incremental Parking Credit Schedule and § V-D.5, Table 2: Incremental Parking Credit Schedule by deleting the footnote from each table; or act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Article 23
Amend Zoning Bylaw: Special Permit and Site Plan Review and Approval
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by amending Section 200 – Definitions; amending § III-A.1 Permitted Uses in Districts (Zones as set out in Section II-A & B); deleting § III-A.7 Regulations of Land or Structure for Purposes Otherwise Exempted from Permitting; amending § VI-DD Special Permit Procedures and Site Plan Review; adding a new § VI-DDD Site Plan Review and Approval; amending references to Special Permit and Site Plan Review in § III, § IV, § V, § VI, and Sections 323-329 and any other associated sections; or act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Article 24
Amend Zoning Bylaw and Map: North Main Street – Center Gateway Expansion
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by amending § III-EE.2.f by adding North Main Street to read *Projects with frontage on East Central Street, North Main Street, and /or Union Street shall provide a minimum of 50 percent of the first floor for non-residential uses*; or act in any other manner in relation thereto. And further to see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map by expanding the Center Gateway (CG) Zoning District to the west side of North Main Street north of the MBTA Commuter Rail, to serve as a transition between the Downtown Mixed Use (DM) and surrounding districts. Parcels for rezoning may include 8 North Main Street (Map 43 Lot 413A) from Industrial – I (In-I) to Center Gateway (CG); 6 North Main Street (43-412), 18 North Main Street (43-415), 6 Cochituate Street (43-416), and 8 Cochituate Street (43-417) from Downtown Mixed Use (DM) to Center Gateway (CG) to the centerlines of the fronting streets or ways; and 24 North Main Street (43-468), 26 North Main Street (43-469), and 30 North Main Street (35-39) from Residential General (RG) and Industrial – I (In-I) to Center Gateway (CG) to the centerlines of the fronting streets or ways; or act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Article 25
Amend Zoning Map: 5 Commonwealth Road
(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map by rezoning 5 Commonwealth Road (Map 10, Lot 23) from Residential Single– A (RSA) Zoning District to Industrial – II (In-II) Zoning District to the centerlines of the fronting streets or ways; and further expand the Regional Center (RC) Overlay District to include 5 Commonwealth Road (10-23) to the centerlines of the fronting streets or ways; or act in any other manner in relation thereto.

Article 26
Amend the Town of Natick By-Law: Article 79
(Conservation Commission)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Wetlands Protection Bylaw, as codified in Article 79 of the Natick Town Bylaws, to improve the Town’s protection of wetland resources and their associated buffers, and streamline the administration of the Bylaw.

Article 27
Speen Street and West Central Street (a.k.a. Route 135) Improvements
(David Fishman et al)

To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate from available funds, by borrowing and or other sources funds to remedy existing safety issues at the intersection of Speen Street and West Central Street, Natick; including but not limited to the milling, regrading, paving, striping and signage in and around the intersection for the purpose of remedying existing safety issues, including but not limited to those safety issues raised in the July, 2022 Route 9 Priority Corridor Study: Framingham and Natick prepared by the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Said study states “The likely focus area would be on the intersection of Route 135 at Route 27 and the intersection of Route 135 at Speen Street because of the crash history of those locations.” For the avoidance of doubt, this does not allow for funds to be used

for changes to the existing traffic patterns, for the creation of additional lanes, or any changes to the width of the street and adjacent sidewalks. Or take any other action with respect thereto.

Article 28
Paid Family Medical Leave for Town of Natick Employees
(Kat Monahan et al)

Move that pursuant to M.G.L. c 4 §4 and M.G.L. c 175m §10, the Town accept the following Massachusetts General Laws pertaining to Paid Family Medical Leave: M.G.L. c 175M
<https://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleXXII/Chapter175M>

Article 29
Rezoning of 0 (R) East Central Street and 0 Dorset Lane – Option One
(Greg D’Agostino et al)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Natick Zoning Map to re-zone the properties located at 0 (R) East Central Street (38-0000001B and 38-0000001C) and 0 Dorset Lane (38-0000001AA) from Residential Single B (RSB) to Residential General (RG), or otherwise act thereon.

Article 30
Rezoning of 0 (R) East Central Street and 0 Dorset Lane – Option Two
(Greg D’Agostino et al)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Natick Zoning Map to include the properties located at 0 (R) East Central Street (38-0000001B and 38-0000001C) and 0 Dorset Lane (38-0000001AA) in the Assisted Living Overlay Option Plan (ALoop), or otherwise act thereon.

Article 31
Amendments to Zoning Bylaw and Zoning Map: Establish Conservation Assisted Living and Memory Care (CALM) Overlay District and include certain property therein.
(Greg D’Agostino et al)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Natick Zoning Bylaws to create in SECTION II – USE DISTRICTS, II-A TYPES OF USE DISTRICTS, a new overlay district as follows:

“Conservation Assisted Living and Memory Care (CALM) Overlay District.”

Further, to insert a new section, Section III-I.4: Conservation Assisted Living and Memory Care (CALM) Overlay District, as follows:

Section III-1.4: Conservation Assisted Living and Memory Care (CALM) Overlay District

1. Purpose

The purpose of the CALM Overlay District is to provide for the creation of Assisted Living Residences (ALRs) (as defined in and in compliance with the rules, regulations and requirements

of MGL c. 19D and 651 CMR 12.00) that serve the Town of Natick's critical need. The CALM Overlay District will help solve the significant shortage of ALR communities in Natick, particularly for individuals who require assistance with activities of daily living such as bathing, walking, and dressing, and individuals with cognitive impairments.

Accordingly, ALRs in Natick's CALM District shall support goal 3 in the [Natick 2030 Demographics and Housing master plan](#), which is to support seniors who wish to remain in their homes as well as those who are looking for other housing types at different sizes and price points. The recommendations for this goal include creating zoning that allows assisted living in geographically appropriate areas and minimizes impacts on surrounding properties. In addition, the CALM District supports the Executive Office of Elder Affairs' (EOEA) vision that older adults and individuals with disabilities will have access to the resources that they need to live well and thrive in every community in the Commonwealth.

The CALM District will enhance the Town of Natick's ability to improve the quality of life and healthcare for its growing senior population in an ALR environment that promotes exceptional care, wellness, and peace of mind surrounded by nature. As such, the CALM District should provide conservation land, life enrichment, and access to assisted living and memory care services. The CALM District will foster the creation of ALR communities that are part of nature, not apart from it.

2. Applicability and Eligibility

The provisions of this Section III -1.4 may be utilized on any land located within the CALM Overlay District, subject to the requirements and standards set forth in this section.

All regulations of the underlying zoning districts shall apply within the CALM Overlay District, except to the extent that they are specifically modified or supplemented by regulations set forth in this Section III-I.4. Where the requirements and standards within the CALM Overlay District, as set forth in this Section, differ from or conflict with applicable requirements and standards set forth elsewhere in this By-Law, the requirements and standards established for the CALM Overlay District shall control.

ALRs shall be allowed by Special Permit in the CALM Overlay District.

3. Waivers & Modification

The SPGA is authorized to grant modifications and/or waivers from strict compliance with the provisions of this CALM Overlay District in connection with Site Plan Review and/or Special Permits subject to the permissions, criteria, limitations, restrictions, and prohibitions of Section V-E of the Zoning Bylaw, including, without limitation, pursuant to Section V-E of this By-law.

4. Intensity Regulations for the CALM Overlay District

Maximum Unit Density:	15 units per acre *
Minimum lot area	4 acres *
Minimum frontage	140 feet *

Minimum front yard setback	40 feet *
Minimum side-yard setback	20 feet *
Minimum rear-yard setback	40 feet *
Minimum lot depth	150 feet *
Maximum building height	the lesser of 3 stories or 40 feet
Minimum Open Space	35% of land area exclusive of any permanent body of water but inclusive of wetlands . *

* In the case of a parcel which includes land in both the Town of Natick and an immediately adjacent municipality consistent of one or more contiguous Lots in common ownership, these requirements may be satisfied by land located on the parcel as a whole, whether or not located in Natick specifically. Further, land on such parcel that is subject to a Conservation Restriction under G.L. c. 184, Sections 31-33, but fee ownership of which is retained by the owner of the balance of the parcel, may be included to satisfy the applicable requirements.

5. Standards

The SPGA may grant a Special Permit and approval under Site Plan Review under the procedures and criteria established in MGL 40A, Section VI- DD 2-A Special Permits and Section VI-DD-2B Site Plan Review sections of this Bylaw, and the following standards and requirements.

1. The ALR shall provide residences (living units) of no more than two bedrooms each exclusively to meet the needs of seniors and the elderly who reside therein.
2. Such facility may include common areas and community dining facilities. Such facility may also provide accessory personal care services, assistance with activities of daily living, and other related programs and services. These accessory uses shall be for residents, their guests, and staff only and may include, but are not strictly limited to, meal care services, beauty salon, sundry shop, banking and recreational facilities. Space designated for accessory uses may not exceed ten (10) percent of total floor area. The facility shall also include outdoor areas for sitting, walking and group activities that take advantage of the natural surrounding settings and open space.
3. The SPGA, in order to approve the special permit application, must find that the overall impact of the facility will not substantially derogate from the cumulative impact associated with other uses allowed as a matter of right or by special permit within the zoning district. In addition, the SPGA, in order to approve the site plan review application, must find that: i) all noise, smoke, dust, odor, vibration and similar objectionable features are confined to the premises, ii) mechanical equipment (including equipment and containers such as, but not limited to, waste disposal, roof top and ground mounted HVAC units, recycling and energy generation) is screened, if necessary, in a manner to shield visual impacts; iii) lighting is

shielded in a manner consistent with Section V-I of this By-Law to reduce light trespass onto abutting properties or waterways; iv) paint colors and tones of materials be muted and not create visual distraction; v) design standards are consistent with a) the general neighborhood, b) prevalent streetscape, c) nearby historic districts, if any, within 300 feet of the property, and sighting shall reduce disruption of the topography of the neighborhood and d) barrier free design criteria; vi) buffers of native evergreen trees and other plants shall be planted, maintained and replaced when necessary to screen the facility from adjacent residential buildings; vii) parking, access and buffers are placed in a manner to separate or to screen parking areas from abutting properties to prevent imposition on or use of parking on abutting properties; viii) all utilities, wire, and cable service are placed underground; (ix) open space is retained as a visual amenity for neighbors and residents of the Town of Natick, and, subject to approval by all applicable authorities, shall be maintained as such in perpetuity pursuant to a Conservation Restriction under G.L. c. 184, Sections 31-33 .

6. Affordability Requirements:

Unless a determination has been made satisfactory to the SPGA that the living units of the ALR do not affect the Town's Statutory Minima or the Town's Computation of Statutory Minima as defined and/or set forth in 760 CMR 56 and as maintained by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), the Applicant shall make provisions for affordable housing by providing that ten (10) percent of all dwelling units, rounded to the next highest whole unit number, within the CALM Overlay District shall be Affordable Housing units.

7. Procedures.

In addition to the process set forth in Sections VI-DD 2A and VI-DD 2B, the following procedures are to be followed in obtaining approval for an ALR:

1. Pre-application: The Applicant is encouraged to meet with the Director of Community and Economic Development and the SPGA prior to the preparation of a formal application, for general discussion of the project to be proposed.
2. Formal application: The Applicant shall submit a plan for the overall development, including a final site plan showing the final completed development in all phases as contemplated on the site at the time of application, regardless of the number of phases in which it may be constructed. Said application shall include, at a minimum, a completely designed first phase of development. The application shall be filed in the name of the Applicant. The Applicant must either own or submit authorization in writing to act for all of the owners of the CALM Overlay District parcel prior to submitting a formal application. A complete special permit application shall be filed electronically with Community and Economic Development through the Town's online permitting portal.
3. Further procedures: Once a special permit is issued, no changes to the final site plan, exclusive of minor modifications as determined by the SPGA, shall be made without applying for a modification of such special permit, or to otherwise act thereon.

And

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You are directed to serve this Warrant by causing an attested copy of said Warrant to be posted in the Post Office in said Natick, and at the following public places in said Natick, to wit: Precinct 1: Reliable Cleaners, 214 West Central Street; Precinct 2: Cole Recreation Center, 179 Boden Lane; Precinct 3: Kennedy Middle School, Mill Street; Precinct 4: 2 Summer St.; Precinct 5: Wilson Middle School, Rutledge Road; Precinct 6: East Natick Fire Station, Rhode Island Avenue; Precinct 7: Lilja Elementary School, Bacon Street; Precinct 8: Natick High School, 15 West Street; Precinct 9: Community Senior Center, 117 East Central Street; and Precinct 10: Memorial Elementary School, 107 Eliot Street.

Above locations being at least one public place in each Precinct, in the Town of Natick, and also posted in the Natick U.S. Post Office, Town Hall, Bacon Free Library and Morse Institute Library seven days at least before April 23, 2024; also by causing the titles of the articles on the Warrant for the 2024 Spring Annual Town Meeting to be published once in "*The Metrowest Daily News*" with notice of availability of an attested copy of said Warrant, said Newspaper published in the Town of Natick and said publication to be March 1, 2024.

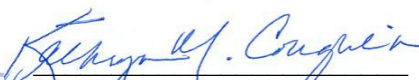
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 26th day of February, 2024.

Select Board for the Town of Natick



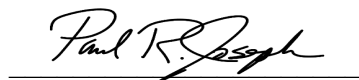
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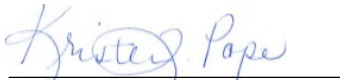
Kathryn M. Coughlin,
Vice Chair



Richard Sidney, Clerk



Paul R. Joseph
Member



Kristen L. Pope
Member

Certified copies of the Warrant are available at the Office of the Town Clerk, Natick Town Hall, 13 East Central St., Natick, MA between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Wednesday; 8:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m. on Thursday; and 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Friday. The Warrant may also be accessed from the Town website www.natickma.gov.

ITEM TITLE: Review of Special Town Meeting #1 Articles
ITEM SUMMARY:

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**WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING #1
APRIL 23, 2024**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss

To Any Constable of the Town of Natick in said County:
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify the qualified Town Meeting Members of the said Town of Natick to meet on **Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 7:30 PM**, Natick High School, Natick, MA, then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 1	Charter and ByLaw Review Committee Report and Extension
Article 2	Charter and ByLaw Changes

Article 1
Charter and ByLaw Review Committee Report and Extension
(Charter and Bylaw Review Committee)

To see what action the Town will take to hear a report of the Charter and ByLaw Review Committee,

To see what action the Town Meeting will take to extend or to revise the term of the Charter and ByLaw Review Committee

To see what action the Town Meeting will take to appropriate funds to continue work with special legal counsel or town counsel and to authorize, if necessary, the Charter and ByLaw Review Committee to use such counsel

Or otherwise act thereon.

Article 2
Charter and Bylaw Changes
(Charter and Bylaw Review Committee)

To see what action(s) the town will take, consistent with the scope of this town meeting warrant article, to amend the Town of Natick Home Rule Petition for “An Act to Amend the Town of Natick home Rule Charter” voted under Article 25 of 2023 Fall Annual Town Meeting (the “Special Act Petition ”) by adding provisions pertaining to the following:

Representative Town Meeting - Charter Article 2

1) to amend, modify, replace and/or delete the language regarding the quorum of representative town meeting (including possibly rescinding, revising and/or revoting changes to the quorum that were voted under Article 25 of 2023 Fall Annual Town Meeting); and/or to amend or modify the language of Charter Article 2 to decrease or increase the number of representative town meeting members;

Select Board - Charter Article 3, section 3-2

(2) to amend or modify the language of the powers and duties and/or appointment powers of the Select Board under Charter Article 3 to have certain appointments instead made by the town administrator, to specify such appointments, to specify which if any such appointments would be subject to the review and affirmative vote approval of the Select Board, (provided that any such change to additional duties, powers and/or appointing authority for the town administrator under this paragraph and under any paragraph above or below can only occur if provisions for removal or suspension for the Town Administrator currently provided for in Charter Article 4 are changed to less than unanimous attendance by the Select Board) and/or to modify or amend the language in Charter Article 4, section 4-2-3 and or elsewhere to specify or to authorize any appointments to be made subject to review and affirmative vote approval of the Select Board;

(3) to modify the restriction currently in Charter Article 3 section 3-2 on the Select Board broad policy guidelines to allow specific policies that are capable of being followed by others serving under the overall supervision or authority of the Select Board but still not involving involvement by the Select Board in day to day operations or administration and /or to specify that the chief policy making agency role of the Select Board is a role exercised as a town agency;

(4) to amend or modify the language in Charter Article 3, section 3-2 of the powers and duties of the Select Board to include or to specify that the Select Board shall serve in a policy making, review and oversight capacity as the commissioners of parks, public works, roads, water and sewer, police, fire and other functions, if any, to be specified;

(5) to specify, within Charter Article 3, section 3-2(b) or elsewhere in Charter Articles 3 or 4, that performance review of the town administrator is to be conducted by the Select Board both on its own behalf and on behalf of the town overall and other elected officers, their appointees and representative town meeting.

Town Counsel - Charter Article 3; Charter Article 6

(6) to amend or modify the language with regard to town counsel either

(i) to amend or modify the language of the appointment of town counsel in Charter Article 3, section 3-2 to remove the singular and one year limitation and to provide that such appointment(s) be subject to bylaw, if any, and to permit, subject to bylaw, if any, other elected officers, boards or committees either (a) to appoint special counsel or (b) to approve the appointment of legal counsel to advise such elected officers, boards or committees on their respective duties;

(ii) to remove the references in Charter Article 3, section 3-2 regarding town counsel and provide for such Select Board appointment of town counsel within Charter Article 6; and/or

(iii) to amend or modify the language of Charter Article 6 to authorize other elected officers, boards or committees either (a) to appoint special counsel or (b) to approve the appointment of legal counsel to advise such elected officers, boards or committees on their respective duties.

Moderator - Charter Article 3-10

(7) (i) to authorize the Moderator in Charter Article 3 section 3-10 (b) to appoint a deputy moderator to preside over representative town meeting in the absence of the Moderator, or (ii) in the alternative, in an additional section or subsection under Charter Article 3, to provide for such deputy moderator as an elected office of the town, and/or (iii) to authorize the town to specify the term, duties and responsibilities and other provisions of such Deputy Moderator in Charter Article 3 and/or a bylaw and/or (iv) to determine whether any appointment of a Deputy Moderator should be subject to the approval of representative town meeting.

(8) To modify or amend the language of Charter Article 3 section 1 (g) concerning vacancy in the office of Town Moderator or to include the existing language in the Special Act Request notwithstanding any general law to the contrary;

Town Administrator - Charter Article 4

(9) to amend or modify the language of Charter Article 4 (*and other associated references within the Charter*) to rename the town administrator position as town manager, to provide additional appointments to be made by the town administrator whether in the charter or in bylaw, to authorize contract approval powers of the town administrator to be developed in a bylaw, to provide the town administrator a screening and or recruitment role in appointments retained by the Select Board;

(10) to amend or modify the language of the provisions, procedure and/or requirements for attendance by and/or quantum of vote of the Select Board in Charter Article 4 regarding removal or suspension of the town administrator (provided that any change to create additional duties, powers and/or appointing authority for the town administrator under this paragraph or any paragraph above or below can only occur if the provisions for the removal or suspension of the Town Administrator under Charter Article 4 are changed to less than unanimous attendance by the Select Board) and further to provide that any new or revised process in Charter Article 4 be no more burdensome or onerous or disadvantageous to the Select Board than the existing process, and/or to require that any employment contract with the town administrator be consistent with the provisions of the Charter notwithstanding any other provision of the general laws to the contrary;

(11) to amend or modify the language of the provisions in Charter Article 3 section 2 (c) and Charter Article 4, section 4-1 on the appointment of a town administrator regarding a minimum term of three years and a maximum term of five years to authorize a lesser minimum term and/or a lesser maximum term and to change the quantum of vote for a term longer than 3 years to a 2/3rds or other supermajority of the Select Board and/or to amend the initial clause in Charter Article 3 section 2 (c) regarding references to Charter Article 6 and/or to change the language in Charter Article 3 section 2 (c) regarding the appointment of the town administrator to refer to the requirements in Charter Article 4 to eliminate duplicate language concerning the appointment and term of the town administrator; and /or to amend or modify the provisions of Charter Article 2 Section 4-3 (b) and 4-3 (c) to provide for longer terms, more renewal terms and revised cap on such terms of an acting town administrator and/or to amend the appointment powers of an acting town administrator to make permanent appointments subject to advance authorization and/ or required approval by the Select Board;

(12) to amend or modify or to remove the current reference to personnel board and its role in Charter Article 4, section 4-2(4) to provide (i) that the town administrator may be assisted or advised by a personnel board and (ii) that the extent of the role of the personnel board, if any, be specified in a bylaw;

(13) to amend or modify the reference to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in Charter Article 4, section 4-2(13) and to authorize de minimis or immaterial exceptions to the inventory requirement.

Matters and Provisions in Charter Article 6

(14) to remove the text of Charter Article 6, section 6-3 Office of the Comptroller and Charter Article 6, section 6-4 Town Treasurer Collector and Charter Article 6 section 6-5 Town Clerk and to authorize the subject matter of the appointments, qualifications, terms of office, powers and duties, vacancies and assistants, if any, to be provided in bylaw and/or to provide that the existing text of Charter Article 6, sections 6-3 and 6-4 and 6-5 shall remain in effect until a bylaw dealing with any or all of the existing provisions of Charter Article 6, sections 6-3 and 6-4 and 6-5 respectively are adopted and in effect;

(15) to authorize the town administrator to make minor changes, with the approval of the Select Board, to the town's administrative organization and creation or abolition of new positions of town agencies serving under the control of the town administrator and to establish the conditions for such reorganizations and to define and or to limit the authorizable scope of such minor reorganizations with such authorizable scope possibly but not necessarily being limited to (i) town agencies with similar or overlapping technical disciplines, (ii) actions which do not modify or contradict the bylaws regarding any town agency, or (iii) other limitation(s);

(16) to authorize or provide for the appointment or selection of town counsels and or special town counsels whether in the Charter itself or to create a Charter provision to authorize for such appointments to be provided within the town bylaws;

(17) to provide that reorganizations, creation or abolition of town agencies by bylaw shall take precedence over administrative code actions and to define the term "administrative code";

(18) to insert language in Charter Article 6 providing for existing, new or changed appointments to be made by the Select Board and/or town administrator, and/or to specify which appointments made by the town administrator will be subject to the review and affirmative vote approval of the Select Board and/or to modify or to delete language on appointments accordingly in Charter Article 3 and Charter Article 4 Section 4-2-3 respectively;

(19) to insert language in Charter Article 7, section 7-9 providing that meetings of multiple member bodies shall or can be called either by the chairperson or 1/3rd of the members of such multiple member bodies and to provide for the ways and means of notice of such meetings to all members of such multiple member bodies;

(20) to amend or modify the language of Charter Article 7, section 7-10 to make clear that the requirement for public notices of vacancies in appointed positions includes and applies to expirations of appointed terms whether or not a vacancy as such has occurred or is anticipated to occur.

Other

(21) to develop transition provisions, develop new definitions or modify existing definitions to implement any or all of the above as applicable;

(22) to amend or modify the text of the Charter Articles 1 through 7 inclusive to remove gender specific references and adopt gender neutral, position specific or position neutral references in their place; and/or to remove obsolete references, if any, in Article 3 regarding an elected town clerk;

(23) to amend or modify the language in Charter Articles 1 through 7 inclusive of the requirements and or definitions regarding postings in a local newspaper;

(24) To amend the language of Charter Article 2 section 12 Proceedings of Town Meeting to provide that the Select Board may call a special town meeting for the appropriation and/or determination of the expenditure or commitment of town funds as an alternative to such financial articles having to be on the Spring or Fall annual town meeting and/or that the Fall annual town meeting does not have to be primarily concerned with the appropriation or other matters involving town funds.

General

(25) To modify the Yes/No question in the Special Act Request to include amendments voted under this article at a town meeting(s) subsequent to 2023 Fall Annual town Meeting

(26) It is noted that for the purposes of this warrant article language the term “town administrator” and “town manager” shall refer to the office of town administrator under the current charter

Or to take any other action related thereto.

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Above locations being at least one public place in each Precinct, in the Town of Natick, and also posted in the Natick U.S. Post Office, Town Hall, Bacon Free Library and Morse Institute Library seven days at least before April 23, 2024; also by causing the titles of the articles on the Warrant for the 2024 Special Town Meeting #1 to be published once in “*The Metrowest Daily News*” with

notice of availability of an attested copy of said Warrant, said Newspaper published in the Town of Natick and said publication to be March 21, 2024.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

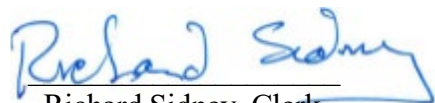
Given under our hands this 15^h day of March, 2024.

Select Board for the Town of Natick

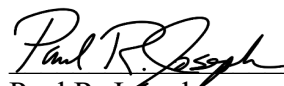


Bruce T. Evans, Chair

Kathryn M. Coughlin, Vice Chair



Richard Sidney, Clerk



Paul R. Joseph
Member

Kristen L. Pope
Member

Certified copies of the Warrant are available at the Office of the Town Clerk, Natick Town Hall, 13 East Central St., Natick, MA between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Wednesday; 8:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m. on Thursday; and 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Friday. The Warrant may also be accessed from the Town website www.natickma.gov.

ITEM TITLE: Capital Plan Update
ITEM SUMMARY:

ITEM TITLE: Natick Center Cultural District - Request to Occupy a Public Way in October
(Common Street)

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Request from NCA	3/14/2024	Cover Memo
Police Recommendation	3/15/2024	Cover Memo



January, 2024

Select Board
Town Of Natick
Natick, Ma. 01760

Dear Board Members,

Once again I am writing to request your permission to close Common Street for the month of October in order to move the Farmers' Market off the Common.

This will allow the town to care for the Common, without interrupting the activity of the market.

We would need the road closed from 7:30 am to allow for set up of vendors. It is expected that it can be reopened by 1:30, when they will have left.

This arrangement has worked for the past several years, allowing us to remain outside until the winter market begins, inside, on the first Saturday in November. This year that would be November 4th.

The parking lot will allow access for the Dentist and Real Estate offices.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Deb Sayre, Market Manager for NCCD



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Re: farmer's market

1 message

Brian Lauzon <lauzon@natickpolice.com>
To: Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Fri, Mar 15, 2024 at 8:28 AM

Donna,

After reviewing, and we have been working with the various entities behind these requests throughout this process, would recommend that the Select Board approve these requests as presented.

Respectfully,

Deputy Chief Brian G. Lauzon

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Comments?

Donna Donovan
Assistant to Town Administration
Town of Natick
508-647-6400 ext 1403

ITEM TITLE: Natick Art Association - Request to Hang a Banner from October 11th to October 20th

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Request	3/14/2024	Cover Memo



Natick Art Association
8 Court Street
Natick, MA 01760
natickartassociation.org

March 1, 2024

Natick Select Board
Natick Town Hall
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760

RE: Natick Artist Open Studios Banner over Main Street

Dear Natick Select Board,

On behalf of the Natick Art Association I would like to request permission to have a banner hung across Main Street from October 11th – October 20th promoting the Open Studios weekend-long event.

Natick Artists Open Studios has been taking place in Natick every October since 2002. It is a wonderful weekend to talk with local artists about their work and their process of creating art. Many different mediums including; painting, woodworking, pottery, silversmithing, jewelry making, fiber arts, glass, mosaic and more can be viewed and purchased over the 2 day event. The Natick Art Association is thrilled to be presenting this popular event once again.

All appropriate insurance will be secured upon the Board's approval and a copy shall be provided to your office.

Thank you for your consideration with this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ginger McEachern".

Ginger McEachern
President
Natick Art Association

ITEM TITLE: Recreation and Parks Department - Approve the Use of the Common
ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Memo from Rec & Park	3/14/2024	Cover Memo
Police Recommendation	3/15/2024	Cover Memo



Travis Farley
Recreation & Parks
Director

Natick Recreation & Parks

People Driven. Service Focused.

February 15, 2024

Bruce Evans
Natick Select Board
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760

Dear Select Board:

On February 12th, 2024 the Recreation and Parks Commission voted unanimously to approve the following organizations to host their events on the Natick Common.

- Natick Recreation and Parks Department to host Concerts on the Common on the following Tuesdays: July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6 and 16, from 4:30-9:30 pm. This event will have a rain date on the corresponding Wednesday of each date.
- Natick Recreation and Parks Department to host Movies on the Common on the following Thursdays: July 18, August 1 and 15 from 6:30-9:30 pm.
- Natick Center Cultural District to host The Farmers Market every Sunday from May 4, 2024 until September 28, 2024 from 7:30 am until 1:30 pm.
- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention to host the MetroWest Walk to fight Suicide on September 22, 2024 from 7:00 am until 12:30 pm.
- Natick Center Cultural District to host Natick Nights on the following Thursdays: June 16, 20, July 4, 18, August 1, 15 and 29 from 5:00-8:00pm. This will coexist with Natick Recreation and Park Department's Movies on the Common.
- Natick Center Cultural District to host Juneteenth Festival on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 from 1:00-3:00 pm.
- Natick Center Cultural District to host Multicultural Day on Saturday, August 24, 2024 from 11:00-3:00 pm. This event will coexist with the Farmers Market.
- Natick Center Cultural District to host PorchFest on Saturday, September 21, 2024 from 2:00-6:00 pm.
- Hometown Sweat to host a free Fitness Class on Sunday September 15, 2024 from 12:00-1:00 pm.
- Rotary Club of Natick to host Tour de Natick on Sunday, June 16, 2024 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm.



Travis Farley
Recreation & Parks
Director

Natick Recreation & Parks

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On March 11, 2024 the Recreation and Parks Commission will vote on the following organizations to host their events on the Natick Common. These requests were submitted after our deadline but are long standing common requests.

- Charles River Rotary club to host Scoopaplooza on Saturday, June 22, 2024 from 9:00-4:00 pm. This event will coexist with the Farmers Market.
- Town of Natick Sustainability Committee to host an Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 9:00-1:00 pm. This event will coexist with the Farmers Market.

Please note, due to the dates of these events, submission to the Select Board is required prior to the voting of the Recreation and Parks Commission. Please feel free to contact me at the Recreation and Parks office if you have any questions prior to your next meeting concerning these events.

Regards,

Andrea Verdelli

Andrea Verdelli

Recreation and Parks Administrative Assistant

Cc: Travis Farley - Recreation & Parks Director
Art Goodhind – LFNR Supervisor



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

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Donna Donovan
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ITEM TITLE: Natick Farmer's Market - Approve Donut NV Food Truck at the Farmer's Market
ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Request from Deb Sayre	3/14/2024	Cover Memo
Police Recommendation	3/15/2024	Cover Memo



February, 2024

Select Board
Town of Natick
Natick, Mass. 01760

Dear Board Members,

I am writing on behalf of the Natick Farmers Market, held in Natick Center, year round.

Sponsored by the Natick Center Cultural District, the market offers a wide variety of foods and crafts to the community. This year I would like to add a donut truck.

Donut NV is already permitted by the Board of Health to provide “made on the spot” hot mini doughnuts. It is my understanding that permission is required by the Select Board to add them to our market. I am seeking that permission.

The truck would be parked in the parking lot of the Common Street Spiritual Center through the end of the winter market, April 27th, and then move to join the other trucks along Common Street for the next season which runs from May 4th to October 26.

I would be delighted to answer any questions you may have regarding this, or any other market matter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Debra Sayre
Market Manager



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

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ITEM TITLE: Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes of 2/15/2024

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
2.15.24 minutes	3/14/2024	Cover Memo

SELECT BOARD– TOWN OF NATICK

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM

February 15, 2024

2:00 PM

Present: Chair Bruce Evans, Vice-Chair Kathryn Coughlin, Kristen Pope, Paul Joseph, Richard Sidney

Also Present: Town Administrator, Jamie Errickson; Director of Sustainability, Jillian Wilson-Martin; Chair of the Natick Net Zero Committee, Ann Lentell; and Town Council, Karis North.

Mr. Evans called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

PUBLIC SPEAK

There were no comments during Public Speak.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

1. 2024 Spring Annual Town Meeting Articles

a. Adopt the Specialized Energy Code

The Natick Net Zero Committee Chair, Ann Lentell, reviewed the article and answered questions from the Board. Ms. Lentell stated that the Specialized Energy Code was part of the Net Zero Plan which was approved in a previous Town Meeting and that the Net Zero Committee had voted in a prior meeting to have the Select Board Sponsor a warrant article to adopt the Code. The Net Zero Committee will be holding public forums to help engage members of the public and developers in Town and to answer any questions about the Net Zero Plan, or the Specialized Energy Code.

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Ms. Pope, the Board voted unanimously to co-sponsor the Specialized Energy Code with the Net Zero Committee. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. Coughlin	Aye
Mr. Evans	Aye
Mr. Joseph	Aye
Ms. Pope	Aye
Mr. Sidney	Aye

b. Remove the Sustainability Committee from the Town Bylaw and Add the Net Zero Committee.

Mr. Evans read the proposed language for the warrant article: “To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 10 of the General Bylaws of the Town to remove the Sustainability Committee from the list of committees appointed by the Select Board and to add the Net Zero Committee to the list of Committees appointed by the Select Board, or otherwise act thereon.”

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board unanimously voted to sponsor the change to Article 10 as outlined in the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. Coughlin Aye
Mr. Joseph Aye
Ms. Pope Aye
Mr. Sidney Aye
Mr. Evans Aye

Ms. Wilson-Martin and Ms. Lentell left the meeting at 2:14pm.

c. Amending the Bylaws in Article 42

Mr. Errickson gave some background information on the Bylaw article and the purpose of the amendment. He stated that Article 42 of the Natick Town Bylaws primarily concerned the inspection and regulation of fuel storage and included the fee schedule for the necessary inspections. The regulations were largely covered by Massachusetts General Law (MGL) and having the fee schedule in the Bylaw makes it difficult to change. The purpose of the proposed warrant article would be to amend Town Bylaw Article 42 or remove it entirely. Mr. Errickson noted that the second section of Article 42 on transient vendors simply follows MGL and may not be necessary to include in Article 42. Should the Board choose to sponsor the warrant article, the specific language for the motion and details of the amendment would be discussed in a future Select Board meeting.

The Board then talked briefly about the merits of amending or removing the Bylaw Article.

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board unanimously voted to sponsor the warrant article to amend, repeal, or replace Article 42 of the Natick Town Bylaw. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. Coughlin Aye
Mr. Evans Aye
Mr. Joseph Aye
Ms. Pope Aye
Mr. Sidney Aye

d. Transfer of the Johnson School Property

The Johnson School Property had previously been designated as being under the jurisdiction of the School Committee. Due to lack of need, the School Committee removed that designation. Town Meeting Members will be asked to vote to approve the transfer of the property from the School Committee to the Select Board.

On a motion by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board unanimously voted to sponsor the warrant article to transfer the Johnson School Property to the Select Board. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. Coughlin Aye
Mr. Evans Aye
Mr. Joseph Aye
Ms. Pope Aye
Mr. Sidney Aye

e. Zoning Bylaw Changes

Mr. Evans stated that it is rare for the Select Board to co-sponsor articles proposed by the Planning Board unless the Select Board had previously been involved in the matter. The other Board members agreed and felt they should not sponsor the articles for the Zoning Bylaw Changes.

The Board took no action on this article.

f. Amend Natick Bylaws: Dates of Spring Annual Town Meeting & Submission of Fiscal Documents

At the Board's request, Mr. Errickson read the proposed language for the draft article: "To see what action the town will take to amend the Town of Natick bylaws by modifying Article 1, Section 1- Annual Town Election and Town Meeting Regarding the Spring Annual Town Meeting and/or Article 20 Section 2 - Dates of Submission of Fiscal Documents regarding the date for submission of the preliminary budget for the next fiscal year or otherwise act thereon."

The Board discussed the benefits and drawbacks to moving the dates of Town Meeting, the submission date of fiscal documents, and the warrant closing date. The arguments for moving the Spring Annual Town Meeting to a later date primarily focused on compressing the schedule of Spring Town Meeting to give staff more time to conduct their business without the need to prepare for Town Meeting. Those against the change felt that, by having a later date for the budget submission, the Finance Committee would not have enough time to review the fiscal documents. As the Board was in favor of some change, they decided they would draft the language for the motion after discussing the matter with other members of town government.

On a motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Sidney, the Board voted unanimously in favor of sponsoring the article to Amend Natick Bylaws: Dates of Spring Annual Town Meeting & Submission of Fiscal Documents. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. Coughlin	Aye
Mr. Evans	Aye
Mr. Joseph	Aye
Ms. Pope	Aye
Mr. Sidney	Aye

g. Maximum Age for Police Officers

Mr. Errickson gave an overview of the proposed warrant article. The motion would allow police officers to serve on the police force up to the age of 70, which is an increase from the obligatory retirement age outlined in Massachusetts General Law (MGL). The motion also details retirement compensation as outlined in MGL Ch32.

Ms. North requested that the decision be subject to the final review of Town Counsel in order to ensure that the Town would remain within good legal standing with the State. After some debate, the Select Board requested that the motion allow the extension of the officer's service be left to the Select Board's discretion and that the age referenced in the motion be 68 rather than 70.

On a motion by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted unanimously to sponsor the article for Detective Haswell to continue to serve on the Police Force until age 68,

with the specific language to be reviewed and provided by Town Counsel. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. Coughlin	Aye
Mr. Evans	Aye
Mr. Joseph	Aye
Ms. Pope	Aye
Mr. Sidney	Aye

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR NOTES

1. Mr. Errickson informed the Board that the Biotech Industry Development Support Article would be sponsored by the Town Administrator rather than the Planning Board. As there would not be enough time for the item to be finalized for the Select Board's review, the Board offered to voice their support for the article after the warrant closes.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Mr. Evans, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 3:24pm.

Richard Sidney, Clerk

A list of all documents used at this Select Board meeting are available at:

<https://naticktown.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/MeetingView.aspx?MeetingID=1179&MinutesMeetingID=-1&doctype=Agenda>

Approved:

ITEM TITLE: Accept the Resignation of Gregory Bazaz from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Resignation	3/14/2024	Cover Memo



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Fwd: Resignation.

1 message

Lynn Kelly <lkelly@natickma.org>
To: Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Thu, Mar 14, 2024 at 11:59 AM

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **greg bazaz** <grebaz72@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Mar 13, 2024 at 11:56 AM
Subject: Resignation.
To: <lkelly@natickma.org>

I hereby resign from the Natick Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board .

Gregory K. Bazaz 6 Cedar

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Lynn P. Kelly
Town Clerk
Justice of the Peace, Notary Public
Town of Natick
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760

Office Hours:
8 - 5:00pm Mon/Tues/Wed
8 - 7:00pm Thursday
8 - 12:30pm Friday

Phone: 508-647-6432
lkelly@natickma.org

ITEM TITLE: Correspondence
ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

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correspondence	3/14/2024	Cover Memo



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COMMISSION CHAIRMAN
RICHARD DAY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TIMOTHY MCGLINCHY

February 29, 2024

Pursuant to the State Reclamation & Mosquito Control Board's (SRMCB) budget notification and compliance certification policy, as revised, please find enclosed Form SRB-1.

These documents show our preliminary proposed budget amount, increase from FY24 and estimated balance forward on page 1. Pages 3 and 4 show each member community's percentage of total budget, share amounts for CMMCP and SRMCB, and total assessment estimate for FY25.

Revisions to this budget may occur if new communities join our service area but that should not significantly change your proportionate amount. After level funding in FY24 the FY25 budget will include a 5% increase over FY24.

There are no forms to be mailed back to our office. Please direct any questions, comments or concerns to me at (508) 393-3055 or mcglinchy@cmmcp.org before April 15, 2024.

For more information, please find budget information posted on our website at this link: <https://www.cmmcp.org/budget-information>. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Timothy McGlinchy
Director

cc:
City Council & Mayor
Town Administrators/ Town Managers
Select Board Chair
Finance Committee Chair
Board of Health Director/Agent

Project Name: Central Mass. Mosquito Control Project

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY2024

Notice is hereby given that the Central Mass. Mosquito Control Project's (the "Project") preliminary proposed budget for **FY2025** is available online for viewing at (<https://www.cmmcp.org/budget-information>) and summarized below. Any questions, comments or concerns regarding this preliminary budget should be directed to: Central Mass. Mosquito Control Project Interim Director Timothy McGlinchy at mcglinchy@cmmcp.org by April 15th.

1. The total preliminary dollar amount that the Project is proposing for FY2025 is \$3,007,809. The chart found below highlights the preliminary budget request by the Project for the coming year with pertinent budget information that fully describes the "total trust fund account" budget amount available for the Project to expend in FY2025.

A. Project Name	B. Number of Employees	C. FY2025 Preliminary Proposed Budget Amount	D. FY2025 % Increase towards Operating Budget	E. FY2025 % Increase towards Capital Budget	F. FY2025 Total % Increase Over Certified FY2024 Budget (Add D + E)	G. FY2024 Estimated Balance Forward /Rollover Amount	H. FY2024 Actual Budget Revenues	I. FY2025 Total Est'd Funding Available in Trust Account (Add C + G)
Central Mass.	24	\$3,007,809	5%	0%	5%	\$200,000	\$3,007,809	\$3,207,809

2. The member municipalities within the Project together with each municipality's estimated proportionate share thereof expressed both as a percentage and as a dollar amount, are as set forth on Form SRB-1, Page 2. **As of the date of this notice, the Project is comprised of 44 municipalities as listed on Form SRB-1, Page 3.**

If the composition of the Project changes because one or more municipalities join or withdraw from the Project, the total preliminary budget will be adjusted pro rata.

8. A copy of this Notice, together with a copy of the preliminary budget proposed, has been delivered or mailed to the Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Executive Officer, to the Finance Committee of each member municipality having a finance committee, and to the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board.

Project Name: Central Mass. Mosquito Control Project
FY2025 Proposed Cherry Sheet Assessments Estimates
Based on the preliminary proposed Project budget

Municipality	% of total budget	District Assessment	Reclamation Assessment	Total Assessment
Acton	2.62%	\$78,821.00	\$3,191.00	\$82,012.00
Ashland	1.68%	\$50,481.00	\$2,044.00	\$52,525.00
Auburn	1.83%	\$55,050.00	\$2,229.00	\$57,279.00
Ayer	1.06%	\$31,962.00	\$1,294.00	\$33,256.00
Berlin	1.32%	\$39,708.00	\$1,608.00	\$41,316.00
Billerica	3.72%	\$111,816.00	\$4,527.00	\$116,343.00
Blackstone	1.20%	\$35,963.00	\$1,456.00	\$37,419.00
Bolton	2.05%	\$61,690.00	\$2,498.00	\$64,188.00
Boxborough	1.16%	\$35,018.00	\$1,418.00	\$36,436.00
Boylston	1.65%	\$49,496.00	\$2,004.00	\$51,500.00
Chelmsford	3.15%	\$94,718.00	\$3,835.00	\$98,553.00
Clinton	0.80%	\$24,023.00	\$973.00	\$24,996.00
Dracut	2.64%	\$79,433.00	\$3,216.00	\$82,649.00
Fitchburg	3.12%	\$93,932.00	\$3,803.00	\$97,735.00
Gardner	2.32%	\$69,832.00	\$2,827.00	\$72,659.00
Grafton	2.58%	\$77,511.00	\$3,138.00	\$80,649.00
Holliston	2.21%	\$66,606.00	\$2,697.00	\$69,303.00
Hopedale	0.62%	\$18,519.00	\$750.00	\$19,269.00
Hopkinton	3.23%	\$97,003.00	\$3,927.00	\$100,930.00
Hudson	1.58%	\$47,471.00	\$1,922.00	\$49,393.00
Lancaster	2.76%	\$82,943.00	\$3,358.00	\$86,301.00
Leominster	3.44%	\$103,422.00	\$4,187.00	\$107,609.00
Littleton	1.90%	\$57,296.00	\$2,320.00	\$59,616.00
Lowell	2.92%	\$87,769.00	\$3,553.00	\$91,322.00
Lunenburg	2.74%	\$82,303.00	\$3,332.00	\$85,635.00
Marlborough	3.05%	\$91,628.00	\$3,710.00	\$95,338.00
Milford	2.00%	\$60,131.00	\$2,434.00	\$62,565.00
Millbury	1.78%	\$53,461.00	\$2,164.00	\$55,625.00
Millville	0.52%	\$15,534.00	\$629.00	\$16,163.00
Natick	2.92%	\$87,750.00	\$3,553.00	\$91,303.00
Northborough	2.25%	\$67,786.00	\$2,744.00	\$70,530.00
Northbridge	1.91%	\$57,579.00	\$2,331.00	\$59,910.00

Sherborn	1.70%	\$51,219.00	\$2,074.00	\$53,293.00
Shrewsbury	2.97%	\$89,408.00	\$3,620.00	\$93,028.00
Southborough	1.76%	\$52,872.00	\$2,141.00	\$55,013.00
Stow	1.88%	\$56,431.00	\$2,285.00	\$58,716.00
Sturbridge	3.72%	\$111,855.00	\$4,529.00	\$116,384.00
Tewksbury	2.83%	\$85,217.00	\$3,450.00	\$88,667.00
Webster	1.46%	\$43,973.00	\$1,780.00	\$45,753.00
Westborough	2.64%	\$79,362.00	\$3,213.00	\$82,575.00
Westford	3.68%	\$110,693.00	\$4,482.00	\$115,175.00
Wilmington	2.45%	\$73,704.00	\$2,984.00	\$76,688.00
Worcester	6.20%	\$186,420.00	\$7,547.00	\$193,967.00
	100.00%	\$3,007,809.00	\$121,777.00	\$3,129,586.00



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MAURA T. HEALEY
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KIMBERLEY DRISCOLL
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

February 27, 2024

Jamie Errickson
Town Administrator
Town of Natick
13 East Central St.
Natick, MA 01760

Dear Jamie Errickson,

We are pleased to announce that under the administration of Governor Maura Healey and Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, a total of \$400 million for Fiscal Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2025 was filed for the MassDOT Chapter 90 Program to support local infrastructure across the Commonwealth's 351 cities and towns over the next two years.

This funding demonstrates the Administration's continued support in strengthening municipal partnerships and providing financial resources that support transportation improvements at the local level.

This letter certifies that, contingent upon legislative approval of the \$200 million annual bond authorization, Natick's Chapter 90 apportionment for Fiscal Year 2025 is \$975,698.65.

This apportionment will automatically be incorporated into your existing Chapter 90 contract with MassDOT with no further action needed by the municipality. Apportionments for all communities are available online at www.mass.gov/chapter-90-program. Please note that while the bill enacting these funds has been filed, the funds are not available for municipal use until final legislative approval is obtained.

The Chapter 90 Program is an integral part of maintaining and enhancing your community's infrastructure and is an essential component of our state-local partnership. We look forward to working with you in the coming year to continue the success of this program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. T. Healey".

Maura Healey
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Driscoll".

Kim Driscoll
Lieutenant Governor