

ARTICLE 39

Amend Natick Town Charter: Natick By-laws, Natick Zoning By-laws: Appointment and constitution of zoning board of appeals, division and distribution of powers, and assignment of counsel. (Julian Munnich et al)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Natick Home Rule Charter, the Natick Town By-Laws, and the Town of Natick Zoning By-Laws to; including but not limited to, adding new sections, and/or definitions, and/or amending existing sections and/or definitions, and/or providing for transition and implementation procedures; to provide for the division and exercise of functions to other appointed or elected bodies:

-Pursuant to MGL c. 40A s.12, MGL c. 4 s. 7, and MGL c. 43B s. 20 or otherwise; provide by amendment and/or addition to the charter, including but not limited to, in Article 3 for the appointment of members and associate members to the zoning board of appeals by a different appointing authority or in Article 3 for the election of a board of appeals, to change or to establish its number of members and associate members of the board of appeals; and/or to divide the assignment of functions to other appointed or elected bodies;

-Pursuant to MGL c. 40 s. 32 or otherwise; provide by amendment and/or addition to the Natick Town By-Laws such that they comport with the Natick Home Rule Charter, and/or to amend Article 22, including but not limited to Section 5, and/or Article 10, including but not limited to Section 3, of the Natick Town Bylaws, (respectively the Town Counsel and Board of Selectmen sections of the by-laws), including but not limited to Article 44 of the Natick Town By-Laws, and/or add new section to the By-Laws to: a) determine which multiple member bodies shall have the right to services of Town Counsel; and b) provide that multiple member bodies, and elected town officers, who are parties in interest or defendants in any matter connected to their official duties, shall have the right to bring and to settle legal action and to defense pertaining to such matters; and c) provide that the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator not have authority to settle or to control such matters or to limit such control or involvement: and d) to determine the extent to which any or all multiple member bodies and/or elected town officers shall have rights to legal services and/or causes of action in connection with their official duties;

-Pursuant to MGL c. 40A s. 5 or otherwise; provide by amendment and/or addition or deletion to the Town of Natick Zoning By-Laws such that they comport with the Natick Home Rule Charter in regard to the appointment of the Zoning Board of Appeals, and division and exercise of functions;

Or otherwise act thereon.