

## Warrant Article Questionnaire Non-Standard Town Agency Articles

### Section III – Questions with Response Boxes – To Be Completed By Petition Sponsor

Article # 31	Date Form Completed: 3.17.21
Article Title: Town Meeting Practices and Rules Committee Report	
Sponsor Name: Town Meeting Practices and Rules Committee ("TMPRC")	Email: tmprcgriesmer@gmail.com

Question	Question
1	Provide the article motion exactly as it will appear in the Finance Committee Recommendation Book and presented to Town Meeting for action.
Response	<p>Motion A: "Move that the Town Meeting vote to hear and discuss of a report of the Town Meeting Practices and Rules Committee."</p> <p>Motion B: "Move that Town Meeting vote to adopt as revised Town Meeting Member Handbook as shown in the document titled to[ be inserted here]".</p> <p>Please note the TMPRC has not yet finalized a draft of the TMMH and has not finalized a proposed Motion B.</p>
2	At a summary level and very clearly, what is the proposed purpose and objective of this Warrant Article and the accompanying Motion?
Response	To hear and discuss a report of the TMPRC and to adopt a new Town Meeting Member Handbook ("TMMH")
3	Has this article or one of a very similar scope and substance been on a previous Warrant Article and what have been the actions taken by the Finance Committee, other Boards or Committees and Town Meeting?
Response	<p>Previous TMPRC reports have been made to Town Meeting.</p> <p>The TMMH was last adopted in 2004/5.</p>

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	Comments:
4	Why is it required for the Town of Natick and for the Town Agency sponsor(s)?
Response	Town Meeting voted the TMPRC to report and produce an updated TMMH.
5	Does this article require funding, how much, from what source of funds and under whose authority will the appropriation be managed and spent?
Response	None at this time.
6	Does this article act in any way in concert with, in support of, or to extend any prior action of Natick Town Meeting, Massachusetts General Laws or CMR's or other such legislation or actions?  Does this article seek to amend, rescind or otherwise change any prior action of Natick Town Meeting?
Response	Not applicable
7	How does the proposed motion (and implementation) fit with the relevant Town Bylaws, financial and capital plan, comprehensive Master Plan, and community values as well as relevant state laws and regulations?
Response	Not applicable
8	Who are the critical participants in executing the effort envisioned by the article motion?
Response	Town meeting members

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9	<p>What steps and communication has the sponsor attempted to assure that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Interested parties were notified in a timely way and had a chance to participate in the process</li> <li>● Appropriate Town Boards &amp; Committees were consulted</li> <li>● Required public hearings were held</li> </ul>
Response	<p>Not applicable.</p> <p>However, the TMPRC plans to make a draft of the revised and updated TMMH available to town meeting members soon.</p>
10	<p>Since submitting the article have you identified issues that weren't initially considered in the development of the proposal?</p>
Response	<p>No</p>
<b>11</b>	<p>If this Warrant Article is not approved by Town Meeting what are the consequences to the Town and to the sponsor(s)? Please be specific on both financial and other consequences?</p>
Response	<p>Town Meeting doesn't hear the report or get a revised handbook.</p>