

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

WORCESTER, SS.

To either of the Constables of the TOWN OF WESTMINSTER in the County of Worcester, GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the

**WESTMINSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
9 ACADEMY HILL ROAD
WESTMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS
on
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022
AT 7:30 P.M.**

then and there to vote on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money from available funds to pay any unpaid bills (or portions thereof) from a prior fiscal year, or act in relation thereto. (9/10 vote required)

(Amount TBD)

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the roadway known as Lighthouse Lane, as heretofore laid out by the Public Works Commission and shown on a plan of land entitled “‘Lighthouse Lane’ Acceptance Plan of Land in Westminster, MA Prepared for Ashoryn, LLC”, dated August 4, 2022, prepared by Haley Ward, Inc., and on file with the Town Clerk, and authorize the Public Works Commission, acting as the Road Commissioners, to acquire, by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain, the fee to and/or easements in Lighthouse Lane for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Westminster and any drainage, access, utility and/or other easements related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto. (2/3 vote required)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the roadway known as White Pine Drive, as heretofore laid out by the Public Works Commission and shown on a plan of land entitled “Street Acceptance Plan Westminster, Massachusetts”, dated May 26, 2022, prepared by Dillis & Roy, Civil Design Group, and on file with the Town Clerk, and authorize the Public Works Commission, acting as the Road Commissioners, to acquire, by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain, the fee to and/or easements in White Pine Drive for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Westminster and any drainage, access, utility and/or other easements related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto. (2/3 vote required)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. c. 59 ss5, Clause Twenty-second H (inserted by Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2018, known as An Act Relative to Veterans’ Benefits, Rights, Appreciation, Validation, and Enforcement (“BRAVE Act”)), signed into law August 28, 2018, which

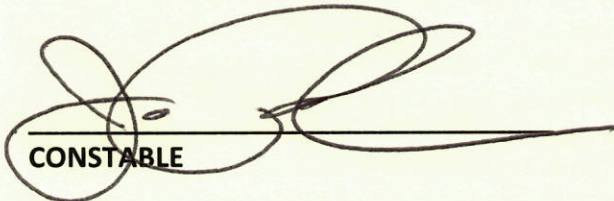
DATED 10/25/2022

Worcester, s.s.

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I HAVE NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF WESTMINSTER BY POSTING ATTESTED CPIES OF THE SAME AT:

**TOWN HALL, 11 SOUTH STREET
U.S. POST OFFICE, 6 NICHOLS STREET**

FOURTEEN DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE TOWN MEETING, AS WITHIN DIRECTED.


CONSTABLE

provides for a property tax exemption for real estate as follows: to the full amount of the taxable valuation of the real property of the surviving parents or guardians of soldiers and sailors, members of the National Guard and veterans who: (i) during active duty service, suffered and injury or illness documented by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or a branch of the armed forces that was a proximate cause of their death; (ii) are missing in action with a presumptive finding of death as a result of active duty service as members of the Armed Forces of the United States; provided, however, that the real estate shall be occupied by the surviving parents or guardians as the surviving parents' or guardians' domicile; and provided further that the surviving parents or guardians shall have been domiciled in the Commonwealth for the 5 consecutive years immediately before the date of filing for an exemption pursuant to this clause or the soldier or sailor, member of the National Guard or veteran was domiciled in the Commonwealth for not less than 6 months before entering service. Surviving parents or guardians eligible for an exemption pursuant to this clause shall be eligible regardless of when the soldier or sailor, member of the National Guard or veteran died or became missing in action with a presumptive finding of death; provided, however, that the exemption shall only apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2019. Such exemption shall be available until such time as the surviving parents or guardians are deceased. No real estate shall be so exempt which has been conveyed to the surviving parents or guardians to evade taxation.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Ambulance Receipts, a sum of money to be spent under the direction of the Fire Chief for the purchase of pickup truck for Emergency Medical Services, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: \$20,000)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Ambulance Receipts, a sum of money to be spent under the direction of the Fire Chief for Paramedic Training for new employees, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: \$32,000)

ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to supplement vehicle fuel and building utility expenses for the various town departments; said sum to be spent under the direction of the Town Administrator, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: \$50,000)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$15,000 from Septic Loan Program Receipts to Town Debt Retirement - General Fund to cover the debt costs, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: \$15,000)

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Pension Liability Stabilization, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: TBD)

ARTICLE 10 To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Capital Equipment and Improvements Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: TBD)

ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Building Maintenance and Repair Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: TBD)

ARTICLE 12 To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Fund Information Technology and Telecommunications Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: TBD)

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Capital Equipment and Improvements Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: TBD)

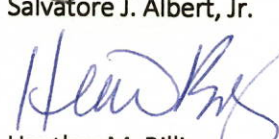
ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Road Maintenance Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto.

(Amount Requested: TBD)

AND YOU ARE DIRECTED to serve this warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall and the U.S. Post Office in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this twenty fourth day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two.


Salvatore J. Albert, Jr.


Heather M. Billings


Melissa A. Banks
SELECT BOARD