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Town of South Hadley

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
SOUTH HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

WARRANT  
Hampshire, ss.

TO: Either of the Constables of the Town of South Hadley

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of South Hadley that the SPECIAL TOWN MEETING will be held in the TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM on Wednesday November 18, 2015 at 6:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the subject matter of this warrant can then and there be reached, and the Town Clerk is required to notify and warn the Town Meeting Members then and there to meet and act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$150,000 to purchase for replacement of the following vehicles Police Vehicle (\$25,000), 3/4 ton DPW Pickup truck with plow (\$55,000 #34), 1/2 ton DPW Pickup Truck with Plow (\$45,000 #31), DPW Compressor (\$25,000) or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$12,000 to the Town Clerk's "Voter's Registrar" account to be applied to costs relative to elections and office staffing in the Clerk's Office, or take any other action relative thereto

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$50,000 to Veteran's Service, to be applied increased cost associated with needs of South Hadley veterans or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$6,000 to the Tax Title Recording Fees account for costs associated with tax title process or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$15,000 to IT/Telephone for the purpose of funding a consultant to design a request for proposal, oversee the replacement of the telephone system and otherwise act as an expert consultant for the Town of South Hadley, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$42,545.03 to the Wage and Class line to satisfy wage adjustments and contract agreements fifty five or more employees

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Solid Waste Retained Earnings the sum of \$50,000 to replace vehicle (pickup truck with plow #23), or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Waste Water Treatment Retained Earnings the sum of \$175,000 to replace vehicle (utility body pickup truck with plow \$55,000 #3), replace secondary clarifier gear box (\$120,000) or take any other action relative thereto

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will consider a vote of attestation to state, the 'Town' holds no interest or rights to "Loomis Place" aka "Wilson Street Extension" as depicted on Assessor's Map #17 (see attachment A) directly abutting 161 and 171 Newton Street and 1 Wilson Street, directly across from 5 and 7 Wilson Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will consider increasing the Municipal Light Board from three (3) to five (5) elected members by adding one member to a three year term and an additional member to a two year initial term at the annual election to be held April 2016. All terms would be three year terms beyond afore mentioned annual election, unless otherwise prescribed by law, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will accept Sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, otherwise known as the Massachusetts Community Preservation Act, by approving a surcharge on real property for the purposes permitted by said Act, including the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space, the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources, the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use, the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing, and the rehabilitation and restoration of such open space and community housing that is acquired or created as provided under said Act; to set the amount of the surcharge on real property at 1.5% of the annual real estate tax levy against real property commencing no later than fiscal year 2018; that the Town hereby accepts the following exemptions from such surcharge permitted under Section 3(e) of said Act: a) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property and b) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of class three, commercial property, and class four, industrial property as defined in section 2A of said Chapter 59; and that the referendum on this acceptance shall occur in calendar year 2016 ; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to amend in the Zoning By-Law **Section 4 DISTRICTS** Subpart (E) **Overlay Districts**, by including a new Overlay District entitled South Hadley Falls Smart Growth District; **Section 4 DISTRICTS**, Subpart (A) **Establishment of Districts** by providing a statement of purpose for the South Hadley Falls Smart Growth District; **Section 7 SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS**, by inserting a new Subpart (B) **South Hadley Falls Smart Growth District**, (pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40R and 760 CMR 59.00 and M.G.L. Chapter 40S), as detailed in Planning Report to Town Meeting (also available in Town Clerk's Office or at Planning Department) or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map to delineate the boundaries of the new South Hadley Falls Smart Growth District, as detailed in Planning Report to Town Meeting (also available in Town Clerk's Office or at Planning Department) or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 43D of the Massachusetts General Laws, and to approve the filing of an application with the Massachusetts Interagency Permitting Board to designate one or more areas as Priority Development Sites under said Chapter 43D, as detailed in Planning Report to Town Meeting (also available in Town Clerk's Office or at Planning Department) or take any other action relative thereto.

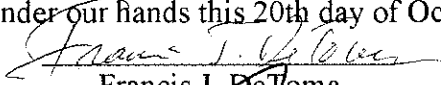
ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to designate that any grant or similar funds received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a result of creation and approval of a Smart Growth District under Chapter 40R or Priority Development Area under Chapter 43D, Massachusetts General Laws, shall be placed in an account under the Town Administrator and/or Selectboard for use to support community and economic development and planning efforts, as detailed in Planning Report to Town Meeting (also available in Town Clerk's Office or at Planning Department), or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to amend in the Zoning By-Law **Section 5 USE REGULATIONS**, Subpart (D) **Use Regulations Schedule**, by changing the use "Conversion of Single-Family to Two-Family dwellings, as provided in Section 7" from prohibited in Residence A-1 zoning district to Permitted by Special Permit in Residence A-1 zoning district subject to specified limitations and restrictions and **Section 7 SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS**, Subpart (F) **Conversion of Single-Family to Two-Family Dwelling** by deleting the existing Subpart (F) in its entirety and inserting in its place a new Subpart (F) **Conversion of Single-Family to Two-Family Dwelling**, as detailed in Planning Report to Town Meeting (also available in Town Clerk's Office or at Planning Department) or take any other action relative thereto.

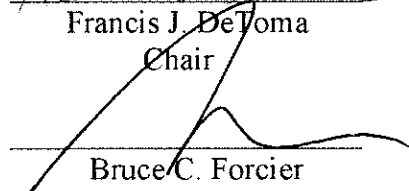
ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to clarify by-law change approved by Town Meeting on May 9, 2015 and subsequently requested by the Attorney General to be clarified. This article seeks to strike from the Town by-laws Section 302.2 the following "be (i) mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid" and insert "deliver by electronic transmission to an email address submitted to the Town Clerk upon election to Town Meeting" and further strike "at his or her residence as set forth" and insert "and otherwise make printed copies available for member retrieval upon individual request".

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to allow all email addresses to be released to the public and available on the town website for individual Town Meeting Members, or take any other action relative thereto.

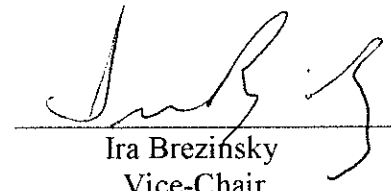
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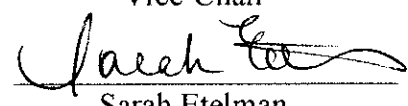
Francis J. DeToma  
Chair



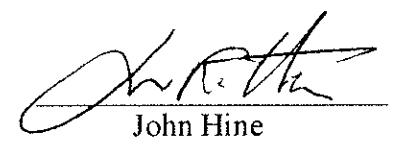
Bruce C. Forcier  
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Vice-Chair



Sarah Etelman  
Member



John Hine  
Member

**SELECTBOARD  
TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY**

