

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SOUTH HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

WARRANT
Hampshire, ss.

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

ADA ADVISORY

The Town of South Hadley does not discriminate based on disability and is committed to hosting accessible meetings. To request a reasonable accommodation to attend the Special Town Meeting, please contact the Selectboard at (413) 538-5030 ext. 6136 or Selectboard@southhadleyma.gov by November 8, 2023.

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 at 153 Newton Street, South Hadley, Massachusetts on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 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 hear the report of the Town Meeting Review Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the FY24 Operating Budget by raising and appropriating or transferring available funds to increase the FY24 Operating budget in the amount of \$61,000 to account for an assistant principal in the school department, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$35,000 to pay the following bills incurred in prior fiscal years:

School	Eversource	\$35,000
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, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will transfer from Unreserved Free Cash or other Available Funds the sum of \$461,000 to make the following capital purchases, repairs, or replacements:

Town	Street Sweeper	\$385,000
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Town/School	Scoreboard	\$46,000
Town/School	Elevators	\$15,000
Town	Historic Commission Study	\$15,000

, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will transfer from WWTP Retained Earnings the sum of \$340,000 to make the following purchases, repairs, or replacements:

Town	Judd Brook	\$300,000
WWTP	Main Street Pump Station Channel Grinder	\$40,000

, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will transfer from Unreserved Free Cash or other Available Funds the sum of \$550,000 to the Mosier Stabilization Fund from the following sources:

Town	Unreserved Free Cash	\$550,000
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, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will transfer from Unreserved Free Cash or other Available Funds the sum of \$145,453.94 to the Opioid Stabilization Fund, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will impose the local room occupancy excise under G.L.c. 64G, § 3A at the rate of 4 percent, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will impose the First Local Option Community Impact Fee under G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(a) at the rate of 3 percent, or take any other action relative thereto, and when received it shall be appropriated as follows: 100% to affordable housing and public infrastructure.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will impose the Second Local Option Community Impact Fee under G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(b) at the rate of 3 percent, or take any other action relative thereto, and when received it shall be appropriated as follows: 100% to affordable housing and public infrastructure.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will accept G.L. c. 59 sec. 5(K) to allow for the Selectboard to establish a senior tax work off program effective for fiscal year 2025 which begins on July 1, 2024, and further that the Town adjust the exemption and; (1) allow an approved representative, for persons physically unable, to provide such services to the town; and (2) allowing the maximum reduction of the real property tax bill to be \$2,000, or take any other action related thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend section 7-20 of the General Bylaws by deleting the current language of section 7-20 and replacing it as follows:

Section 7-20 Master Plan Implementation Committee (“MPIC”)

A. Purpose

The purpose of the MPIC is to serve as an advisory body to town officials and the community on current and future projects as they pertain to implementation of the Master Plan in accordance with the Master Plan goals and activities. The MPIC assists with coordination and implementation of Town activities that are consistent with the Master Plan.

B. Membership and Organization

(1) Appointment: The Selectboard and the Planning Board shall appoint the members of the MPIC. There shall be no fewer than five members and no more than nine members. All members shall be residents of South Hadley. The initial members shall be appointed for staggered terms no longer than three years each. After the expiration of the first term, the ongoing appointments shall be for three year terms. Jointly, the Planning Board and Selectboard shall fill vacancies on the MPIC.

(2) Liaisons: The Planning Board and Selectboard shall each appoint one member of their respective boards to act as a board liaison with the MPIC.

(3) Officers: The MPIC shall annually elect a chair and a vice chair and clerk.

(4) Quorum: A majority of those members of the MPIC then in office shall constitute a quorum. Actions by the MPIC shall be taken by a majority of those members present at a meeting of the MPIC.

C. Tasks and Responsibilities

The Committee shall meet at the call of the Chair in order to effectuate the Purpose of this bylaw. Such work may include:

(1) Monitoring progress towards goals of the master plan by coordinating with and regularly meeting with entities assigned tasks in the Master Plan.

(2) Identifying successes, progress, and barriers to Master Plan implementation.

(3) Assisting entities to the extent possible in overcoming barriers and addressing challenges, including reporting the same to the Planning Board and Selectboard.

(4) Assist in measuring progress including collecting and reporting data.

(5) Update Master Plan task matrices on a regular basis and report to stakeholders.

(6) Coordinate with the Planning Department and Administration, an annual update, discussion and examination of Master Plan activities and goals.

(7) Encourage outreach and communication with the public to create awareness and provide information and status of MPIC activities.

(8) Undertake other activities relating to the Master Plan at the request of the Planning Board, Selectboard, or Town Administrator.

D. Reporting

MPIC shall:

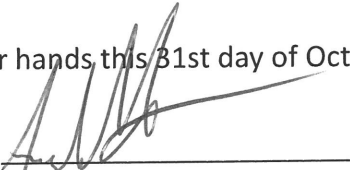
(1) Meet at least once per year jointly with the Planning Board, Selectboard, and Town Administrator.

(2) Submit written reports at least once per year to the Planning Board and Selectboard.

(3) Submit a report to the Annual Town Meeting covering the immediate prior year's activities and upcoming year's plans.

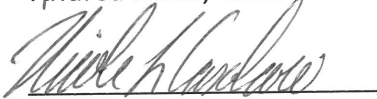
(4) Submit a brief report as part of the annual Town Report.

Given under our hands this 31st day of October 2023:

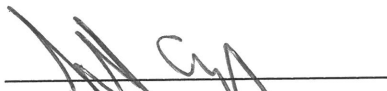


Andrea Miles, Chair

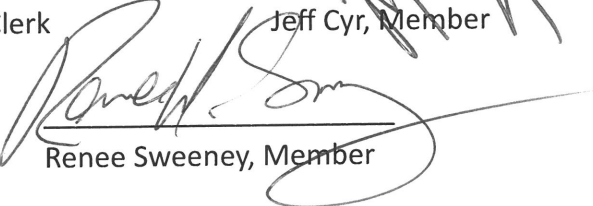
Carol Constant, Vice-Chair



Nicole Casolari, Clerk



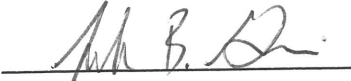
Jeff Cyr, Member



Renee Sweeney, Member

**SELECTBOARD
TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY**

True copy, attest:



Sarah Gmeiner, Town Clerk

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