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You are required to serve this Warrant by posting copies thereof, attested by you, at the Town Building, at the Public Library in Wayland Center, at the Cochituate Fire Station or the Cochituate Post Office, and at the Happy Hollow School, and by mailing or delivering a copy thereof addressed to each residence in the Town fourteen (14) days, at least, before the time appointed for the Special Town Meeting.

Hereof, fail not and deliver this Warrant with your return thereon to the Town Clerk on or before September 17, 2021.

Given under our hands and seals this 17th day of September, 2021.

Thomas J. Fay, Chair
Cherry C. Karlson, Vice Chair
Adam G. Gutbezahl
Carol B. Martin
David V. Watkins
Selectmen of the Town of Wayland



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Wayland Special Town Meeting

Sunday, October 3, 2021

12:30 p.m.

Wayland High School Stadium

264 Old Connecticut Path

Wayland, MA 01778

Please visit the Town's website <https://www.wayland.ma.us/town-meeting/STM2021> for the ADA notice & ADA compliance coordinator contact information, Be Prepared Statement, COVID19 & Field Protocols, The Moderator's Rules and Regulations, How to Vote Electronically, additional information on the articles, possible appendices and any other additional Town Meeting Materials.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Wayland, Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify all residents of the Town of Wayland who shall be qualified to vote in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 51, Section 1, to meet at **the High School Stadium** on:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021 AT 12:30 P.M.

to act on the following Articles:

Article 1. Town Code § 95.1 Moratorium on Synthetic/Artificial Turf

Proposed by: Petitioners

To determine whether the Town will vote to:

Add a new Chapter 95 to the Town Bylaws entitled, "Moratorium on Synthetic/Artificial Turf" as shown below prohibiting the construction of synthetic or artificial turf on Town land for three years. This bylaw will not affect the use or maintenance of the existing synthetic turf field at the high school.

Town Code § 95.1 Moratorium on Synthetic/Artificial Turf

Purpose: The use of synthetic/artificial turf on athletic playing fields entails myriad public health and safety, environmental, and climate concerns. Wayland must carefully evaluate whether such use, even where privately funded, is consonant with Wayland's athletic needs, the health and safety of its children, residents in general, and the environment, and the Climate Emergency Resolution adopted by town meeting in May 2021.

This moratorium allows the Town the opportunity (a) to examine the extent to which synthetic/artificial turf is injurious to public health and safety, the environment and the climate compared to natural grass solutions, and (b) to determine if natural grass solutions based on the use of the latest techniques for grass field construction and organic maintenance create viable alternatives for Wayland.

"Synthetic/artificial turf" means any of various artificial, synthetic or partially synthetic carpetlike materials made to resemble grass, including the infill and liners, used as a surface for athletics, sports or other recreational activities.

The Town of Wayland shall neither install nor authorize or allow the installation of synthetic/artificial turf on any real estate owned by the Town, for a period of three years from the effective date of this moratorium.

This restriction shall not apply to the use or maintenance of the synthetic/artificial turf field at Wayland High School installed prior to the adoption of this bylaw amendment.

Quantum of Vote: Majority – see General Laws Chapter 39, Section 16, and General Laws Chapter 40, Section 21.

For more information about this article, contact Paul Dale, Lead Petitioner at 617-794-0851

In Town Counsel's opinion, the proposed bylaw amendment is not repugnant to Massachusetts or federal law

Article 2. Grass Field at Loker Conservation & Recreation Area Design Fees

Proposed by: Board of Selectmen, Recreation Commission

Estimated Cost: \$125,000

To determine whether the Town will vote to:

a) appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$125,000, to be expended under the direction of the Wayland Board of Selectmen for the design, permitting, and engineering for the development of a multi-purpose, rectangular, natural grass athletic field at the Loker Recreation site, including, but not limited to, lighting, drainage, landscaping, recreational amenities, irrigation system and any and all other costs incidental or related thereto; an

b) determine whether said appropriation should be provided by taxation, transfer from un-appropriated funds, transfer from available funds already appropriated for other purposes, by borrowing under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 or other enabling authority, or otherwise. (If borrowing, the article should include standard authorization language for Treasurer and to apply bond premium.)

c) authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow up to said sum in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, section 7 and 8 and any other enabling authority, and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; and

d) authorize any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved hereunder in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, section 20, thereby reducing by a like amount the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs.

Quantum of Vote: 2/3 vote if borrowing funds under General Laws, Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8. Majority vote to appropriate funds pursuant to General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5.

For more information about this article, contact Louise Miller, Town Administrator at lmiller@wayland.ma.us

Article 3. Feasibility Study for a Grass Field at 195/207 Main Street

Proposed by: Board of Selectmen, Recreation Commission

Estimated Cost: \$50,000

To determine whether the Town will vote to:

a) appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$50,000, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen for a feasibility study for a multi-purpose, natural grass athletic playing field at 195 and 207 Main Street, Wayland, Massachusetts, including, but not limited to, lighting, drainage, landscaping, recreational amenities, irrigation, access and parking areas, and any and all other costs incidental or related thereto; and

b) determine whether such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by transfer from unappropriated funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 or other enabling authority. (If borrowing, the article should include standard authorization language for Treasurer and to apply bond premium.)

c) authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow up to said sum in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, section 7 and 8 and any other enabling authority, and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; and

d) authorize any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved hereunder in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, section 20, thereby reducing by a like amount the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs.

Quantum of Vote: 2/3 vote if borrowing funds under General Laws, Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8. Majority vote to appropriate funds pursuant to General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5

For more information about this article, contact Louise Miller, Town Administrator at lmiller@wayland.ma.us

Article 4. Feasibility Study for Review of Potential Third Site for a Grass Field

Proposed by: Board of Selectmen, Recreation Commission

Estimated Cost: \$50,000

To determine whether the Town will vote to:

a) appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$50,000, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen for a feasibility study to investigate and identify a site for a multi-purpose, natural grass playing field in Wayland, Massachusetts, and those sites to be considered shall include, but not be limited to, Greenways, the Route 20 South Landfill, and Orchard Lane/Holiday Road, and

b) to determine whether such appropriation shall be provided by taxation, by transfer from unappropriated funds, by transfer of funds already appropriated for another purpose, by borrowing under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 or other enabling authority, or otherwise. (If borrowing, the article should include standard authorization language for Treasurer and to apply bond premium.)

c) authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow up to said sum in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, section 7 and 8 and any other enabling authority, and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; and

d) authorize any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved hereunder in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, section 20, thereby reducing by a like amount the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs.

Quantum of Vote: 2/3 vote if borrowing funds under General Laws, Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8. Majority vote to appropriate funds pursuant to General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5.

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