



TOWN OF LITTLETON
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CERTIFICATE OF VOTE
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
ARTICLE 4
LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT
MAY 1, 2017

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[2/3rds vote required]

Mark Rambacher, chairman of the Library Trustees gave a presentation regarding the grant process and what a no vote means and what a yes vote means and asked for the support of the Town. Sam Alvarez, Library Director gave a presentation as what the current library looks like and what is needed to make the library more handicap accessible and that it needs many more improvements and space. Melissa Hebert, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, stated that the board did not take a stand, that they felt it should be left to the taxpayers. Fred Faulkner, Chairman of the Finance Committee stated that they did not take a position as this is not a financial question. The debate closed at 9:02pm and the Moderator chose to count by hand knowing that this was a 2/3rds necessary vote. The total count was 595, therefore a 2/3rds vote would need to be 396 to pass. Yes votes were 415, No votes were 180. The motion as follows passes by the necessary 2/3rds:

Whereas, the Library Trustees have selected the so-called "Slope Site" behind the Littleton Town Offices Building as its proposed site for a new library in the grant application submitted to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners ("MBLC") by January 2017 for the 2016-2017 Massachusetts Public Library Construction Program Grant Round; and

Whereas, MBLC requires Town Meeting approval (a) of the schematic design of the library, (b) to apply for, accept and expend grant funds, and (c) to transfer the Slope Site to another municipal board for library purposes no later than June 17, 2017; and

Whereas, MBLC requires an appropriation of local funding for the project within 6 months after the provisional grant award is made by the MBLC; and

Whereas, the School Committee voted on December 8, 2016 to make a determination, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 15A, that the so-called "Slope Site", shown as the "Proposed Parcel Area" on a plan entitled "Littleton Town Library Topographic Plan", dated November 3, 2016 and prepared by BSC Group, is no longer needed by the School Committee for School Purposes and that the Town Meeting may transfer the care, custody, management and control of the Slope Site to another municipal board for another purpose, with said determination by the School Committee to be subject to the award of a grant by MBLC and

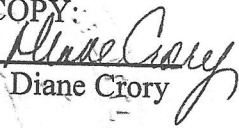
the votes of town meeting by June 2017 and within 6 months after the provisional grant award is made by the MBLC as referenced above.

Therefore, the Town votes as follows:

- (a) to accept the schematic design for the proposed new Reuben Hoar Library building dated January 5, 2017 and prepared by Johnson Roberts Associates, Inc., provided, however, that such acceptance shall be contingent upon Town receiving the award of a grant by the MBLC;
- (b) to authorize the Library Trustees to apply for any state funds which might be available to defray all or part of the cost of the design, construction and equipping of the library project and to authorize the Permanent Municipal Building Committee to accept and expend any such funds when received without further appropriation; and
- (c) to transfer the care, custody, control and management of the so-called "Slope Site", shown as the "Proposed Parcel Area" on a plan entitled "Littleton Town Library Topographic Plan", dated November 3, 2016 and prepared by BSC Group, from the School Committee for school purposes to the Board of Selectmen for library purposes, said parcel was acquired by the Town in the deeds from Augustus Hager to the Town of Littleton dated February 21, 1868 and June 30, 1896; and, said vote is conditioned upon the award of a grant by MBLC and the appropriation of funds for the new library within six months of receipt of grant funds.

A TRUE COPY:

ATTEST:


Diane Crory

May 31, 2017