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October 31, 2014

Dear Town Meeting Members:

Enclosed please find the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 17, 2014 at the Chenery Middle School Auditorium.

Should the business of the Special Town Meeting not conclude on November 17, the meeting will be continued to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at the Chenery Middle School Auditorium.

As you will see from the attached materials, the Special Town Meeting Warrant includes three (3) articles which include the following:

Article 1: Reports from the Board of Selectmen, Board, Committees and Other Town Officials.

Article 2: Appropriation of Expenditures for Belmont Center Reconstruction to provide funds for the completion of the Belmont Center Reconstruction Project including new pavement surface, sidewalk, ornamental lighting, curb extensions, crosswalks, traffic improvements, green space, additional parking, implementation of parking management plan, bicycle lanes and related infrastructure. Financing of this project estimated to cost \$2.75 million will be provided through the transfer of available funds from Reserves (Free Cash) in the Treasury, and issuance of bonds. If approved, the project will be publicly bid in early calendar 2015 and construction completed in fall of 2015.

Article 3: Amend Motion from Article 15 for Community Preservation Committee Budget from 2014 Annual Town Meeting to make a technical correction to description of funding accounts based on Department of Revenue guidance.

Please be reminded that the Warrant and any additional information can be found in the Town Meeting section of the Town web page at <a href="https://www.belmont-ma.gov">www.belmont-ma.gov</a>.

The customary Warrant Discussion Night, co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the Warrant Committee is scheduled for Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Beech Street Center.

We look forward to a productive Special Town Meeting, and thank you for your continued involvement and participation in our Town's legislative process.

Sincerely,

Town Administrator



### **TOWN OF BELMONT**

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Ellen Cushman, Town Clerk

FROM:

David J. Kale, Town Administrator

**DATE:** 

November 13, 2014

**SUBJECT:** 

Information Requests

CC:

Board of Selectmen

Attached please find information requested from Town Meeting Members at the League of Women Voters/Warrant Committee briefing regarding a summary of Free Cash (Reserves) and a break-out of the budget components of the Belmont Center Reconstruction Project.

Your assistance in providing this information to Town Meeting Members is appreciated.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

## Town of Belmont FREE CASH

| YEAR                | GENERAL FUND<br>FREE CASH |           |  |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------|--|
| Certified As of 7/1 |                           |           |  |
| 2009 (FY10)         | \$                        | 2,741,366 |  |
| 2010 (FY11)         | \$                        | 4,019,916 |  |
| 2011 (FY12)         | \$                        | 4,904,820 |  |
| 2012 (FY13)         | \$                        | 5,825,793 |  |
| 2013 (FY14)         | \$                        | 6,169,590 |  |
| 2014 (FY15)         | \$                        | 7,465,047 |  |

### **FY Usage of Free Cash**

| FY2010  | 1,000,000 |
|---------|-----------|
| FY2011  | 2,361,945 |
| FY2012  | 2,561,335 |
| FY2013  | 2,481,103 |
| FY2014  | 2,121,837 |
| FY2015* |           |

<sup>\*</sup> Estimated uses of Free Cash- \$1,300,000 Belmont Center Project (BCP), \$168,875 for estimated FY16 Principal and Interest payment for \$1.450M bond issue BCP, OPEB Policy \$250,000 (est.), and FY16 Budget Appropriation -To be Determined (\$1.9 Million Used for FY15 Budget)

## **Belmont Center Reconstruction Project Cost Estimate**

| Description                         | Cost        |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| EARTH WORKS AND DEMOLITION SUBTOTAL | \$273,430   |
| DRAINAGE SUBTOTAL                   | \$133,435   |
| WATER SYSTEMS SUBTOTAL              | \$28,835    |
| ROADWAY SUBTOTAL                    | \$681,565   |
| CURBING AND EDGING SUBTOTAL         | \$157,703   |
| WALLS SUBTOTAL                      | \$53,400    |
| SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS             | \$312,400   |
| STREETSCAPE SUBTOTAL                | \$38,340    |
| INCIDENTAL WORK                     | \$27,300    |
| LANDSCAPE SUBTOTAL                  | \$131,743   |
| ELECTRICAL SUBTOTAL                 | \$402,450   |
| TRAFFIC SIGNING SUBTOTAL            | \$2,125     |
| TRAFFIC CONTROL SUBTOTAL            | \$26,915    |
| PAVEMENT MARKING SUBTOTAL           | \$10,573    |
| MISC. TRAFFIC SUBTOTAL              | \$7,850     |
| STRUCTURES SUBTOTAL                 | \$4,000     |
|                                     |             |
| SUBTOTAL                            | \$2,292,064 |
| 10% CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY        | \$229,206   |
| POLICE DETAILS                      | \$78,730    |
| Sub-Total:                          | \$2,600,000 |
| BID CONTINGENCY (IF NEEDED)         | \$150,000   |
| TOTAL                               | \$2,750,000 |

### You are invited to attend

## Warrant Briefing

Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014

at 7:00 PM

Beech Street Center 266 Beech Street

Opportunity to ask questions about Warrant Articles prior to November 17<sup>th</sup> Special Town Meeting

Town Officials and Department Heads will be present to provide information

Raffi Manjikian Vice-Chair of the Warrant Committee will preside

Cosponsored by

the Warrant Committee and the



**Belmont League of Women Voters® Education Fund** 



## TOWN OF BELMONT WARRANT FOR 2014 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOVEMBER 17, 2014 COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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To either of the Constables in said County:

### Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Belmont, qualified as the law requires to vote in elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Chenery Middle School Auditorium on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014, at 7:00 P.M., and to notify and warn the Town Meeting Members to meet and act at said time and place on the following Articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1: REPORTS

To hear the report of the Selectmen and other Town Officers. To hear the report of any Committee heretofore appointed and to act thereon.

This article allows the Board of Selectmen and other town officers, boards and committees to report orally to the Town Meeting on appropriate matters not otherwise appearing on the Warrant. This article stays "on the table" throughout the Special Town Meeting to allow town officials and committees to report when necessary.

Majority vote required for passage.

| Yes | No |
|-----|----|
|-----|----|

### ARTICLE 2: APPROPRIATION OF EXPENDITURES – BELMONT CENTER RECONSTRUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2.75 million to complete the Belmont Center Reconstruction Project, or a greater or lesser amount; and to meet this appropriation, to authorize a transfer from available funds in the Treasury and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow and issue bonds and to take any other actions necessary and incidental thereto, or in any way act thereon.

This article is to provide funds for the completion of the Belmont Center Reconstruction Project, including new pavement surface, sidewalk, ornamental lighting, curb extensions and crosswalks, traffic improvements, green space, additional parking, bicycle lanes and related infrastructure. The recommendations of the Capital Budget Committee for the expenditure will be provided prior to the November session of Special Town Meeting.

| Article.                                  | nen, warrant Committee and Capital Budg  | jet Committee | e will re | ort orally   | on this |
|---|--|---------------|-----------|--------------|---------|
| Majority vote require                     | ed for passage (two-thirds if borrowing).  |               | Yes       | No           |         |
| ARTICLE 3:                                | AMEND MOTION FROM ARTICLE 15<br>COMMITTEE BUDG<br>MEETING                              |               |           |              |         |
| · ·                                       | I vote to amend and re-approve the action to<br>(Community Preservation Committee Budg |               | ticle 15  | of the 2014  | •       |
| Floyd Carman, Town orally on this Article | Treasurer, Community Preservation Commi  | ttee, and War | rant Con  | nmittee will | report  |
| Majority vote require                     | ed for passage.  | Yes           | i         | No           |         |



Given under our hands this 29th day of October, 2014.

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF BELMONT**

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Town Clerk of Belmont, MA

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Sami S. Baghdady, Vice Cha

Mark A. Paolillo



## MOTIONS 2014 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – NOVEMBER 17, 2014 DRAFT as of October 31, 2014

(Subject to Change)

ARTICLE 1: REPORTS

MOVED: That Article 1 be laid on the table. (*Majority vote*)

ARTICLE 2: APPROPRIATION OF EXPENDITURES – BELMONT CENTER RECONSTRUCTION

MOVED: That \$2,750,000 be appropriated for the Belmont Center Reconstruction Project and to meet this appropriation, \$1,300,000 be appropriated from Free Cash and further to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow a sum of \$1,450,000 and issue bonds or notes under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any enabling authority; and to take any action

necessary to carry out the project. (Two-thirds vote)

### ARTICLE 3: AMEND MOTION FROM 2014 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 15 FOR COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE BUDGET

MOVED:

That the Town amend and reapprove the action taken under Article 15 of the 2014 Annual Town Meeting (Community Preservation Committee Budget) as follows:

That the Town reserve for appropriation the following amounts from **UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE of \$268,514** as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee:

- 1. \$23,288 for acquisition, creation and preservation of open space and for recreational use:
- 2. \$23,288 for the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources:
- 3. \$23,288 for the creation, preservation and support of community housing;
- 4. \$198,650 to the budgeted reserve.

(Majority vote)

### AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY JIM WILLIAMS, PRECINCT 1

**ARTICLE 2:** 

APPROPRIATION OF EXPENDITURES -BELMONT CENTER RECONSTRUCTION

MOVED:

That the main motion for Article 2 be amended by deleting the phrase "\$1,300,000 be appropriated from Free Cash and further to meet this appropriation" AND change the amount authorized to borrow from \$1,450,000 to \$2,750,000 so that the amended motion reads as follows:

Moved:

That \$2,750,000 be appropriated for the Belmont Center Reconstruction Project and to meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow a sum of \$2,750,000 and issue bonds or notes under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any enabling authority; and to take any action necessary to carry out the project. (Two-thirds vote)