



Article: 37

Warrant Article Title:

DISPOSITION OF REAL ESTATE / 0 REED STREET

Warrant Article Text:

To see if the Town will vote to sell the land purchased via title in fee in 1971 by the Town of Arlington to the purchasers of 0 Reed Street for the purpose of developing a single-family home on the vacant lot; or take any action related thereto.

Requested By:

David Swanson and ten registered voters

Report Excerpt:

Vote and comment to Town Meeting - No Action (5-0)

The Board heard from the petitioner regarding this warrant article that sought to pursue a process for the sale of a piece of property described by the petitioner as "0 Reed Street", a property that the petitioner believed might be town owned. At its initial hearing on the matter, the Board questioned whether there was agreement that the property's history of recorded ownership and the extent of the Town's property interest, if any. By motion at the initial hearing, the matter was tabled for one week so that more information could be obtained regarding ownership of the property.

At the continuation of the hearing on this article, the Board heard from Town Counsel and the petitioner, who reported that after additional research and discussion, the property's title records indicate that the parcel that is the subject of the article is not town owned. Accordingly, the petitioner agreed that the matter should

not proceed to Town Meeting for its consideration. Despite the vote of no action on this article, the Board took the opportunity of the hearing to engage in a productive discussion regarding the potential sale of surplus town property as part of its ongoing efforts, working in conjunction with the Town Manager, to identify and tap all available revenue sources for the Town.

Vote Language:

That no action be taken on Article 37.

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