



Article: 67

Warrant Article Title:

CAPITAL BUDGET / HARDY SCHOOL FEASIBILITY STUDY
AND SCHEMATIC DESIGN

Warrant Article Text:

To see if the Town of Arlington will vote to appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds an amount of money to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager for feasibility study and schematic design costs related to a potential heat pump conversion project at the Hardy Elementary School located at 52 Lake St, Arlington MA, which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program and for which the Town has applied for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"). The Town of Arlington acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and if the MSBA's Board of Directors votes to invite the Town to collaborate with the MSBA on this proposed repair project, any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant that may be approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; or to take any other action relative thereto

Requested By:

the Select Board, and at the request of the Town Manager, the School Committee and the Capital Planning Committee

Report Excerpt:

The HVAC system at the Hardy Elementary School needs to be replaced. This appropriation will fund a feasibility study and

design costs associated therewith. This project, too, may be eligible for partial reimbursement by the MSBA. (Requires a 2/3 vote).

Vote Language:

That the Town of Arlington hereby appropriates the amount of Three Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) for the purpose of paying feasibility study and schematic design costs related to a potential Accelerated Repair Project involving a heat pump conversion project at the Hardy Elementary School located at 52 Lake St, Arlington MA, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the “Project”), which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the Town has applied for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (the “MSBA”), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager. To meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow said amount under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or any other enabling authority. The Town acknowledges that the MSBA’s grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and if the MSBA’s Board of Directors votes to invite the Town to collaborate with the MSBA on this proposed repair project, any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant that may be approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; and that, if invited to collaborate with the MSBA on the proposed repair project, the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement, or Feasibility Study Agreement if applicable, that may be executed between the Town and the MSBA.

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