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July 2, 2018

Sandra J. Burgess, Town Clerk  
Town of Amherst  
4 Boltwood Avenue  
Amherst, MA 01002

**Re: Amherst Annual Town Meeting of April 30, 2018 -- Case # 9058**  
**Warrant Articles # 30, 31, and 35 (Zoning)**  
**Warrant Articles # 11 and 29 (General)**

Dear Ms. Burgess:

**Articles 29, 30, and 31** - We approve Articles 29, 30, and 31 from the April 30, 2018 Amherst Annual Town Meeting.

**Articles 11 and 35** – We retain Articles 11 and 35 for further review and will issue our decision on them by our deadline of September 16, 2018.

In addition, please note that the Town must notify the DOR/DLS of the Town's acceptance of the provisions of G.L. c. 64N, § 3 (the local option excise tax on the retail sale of marijuana), if not already done. According to the Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services, the Town Clerk must immediately notify the Municipal Databank within the DLS regarding the Town's acceptance of the statutory provisions. *See* DOR/DLS Bulletin BUL-2018-3. You may contact the DLS with any additional questions at:

Municipal Databank  
[databank@dor.state.ma.us](mailto:databank@dor.state.ma.us)  
617-626-2384.

**Note:** Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the Town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) **general** by-laws and amendments take effect on the date these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) **zoning** by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were approved by the Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

Very truly yours,

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## BYLAW APPROVAL BY STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I, Susan Audette, Acting Town Clerk of Amherst, Massachusetts certify that the attached is a true copy of the amendments to the Zoning Bylaws adopted under Articles 30 and 31, and to the General Bylaws adopted under Article 29 of the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting that convened April 30, 2018, with the approval of the Attorney General of Massachusetts, herewith.

Attest:

Susan Audette  
Acting Town Clerk  
July 5, 2018

Any claims of invalidity in the case of Zoning Bylaws by reason of any defect in the foregoing procedure of adoption may only be made within 90 days of the posting of this notice.

Date posted July 6, 2018

On the above date written I have posted copies of the bylaw amendments passed at the April 30, 2018 Annual Town Meeting and approved by the Attorney General of Massachusetts on July 2, 2018, at the following places in town:

- |            |                           |             |                         |
|------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Precinct 1 | North Amherst Post Office | Precinct 6  | Fort River School       |
| Precinct 2 | North Fire Station        | Precinct 7  | Crocker Farm School     |
| Precinct 3 | Immanuel Lutheran Church  | Precinct 8  | Munson Memorial Library |
| Precinct 4 | Amherst Post Office       | Precinct 9  | Wildwood School         |
| Precinct 5 | Town Hall                 | Precinct 10 | Campus Center, UMass    |

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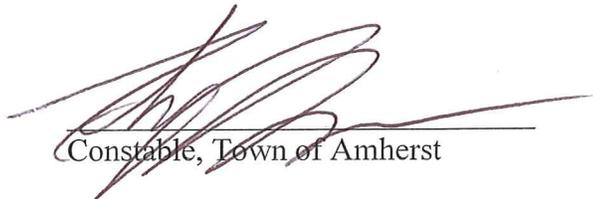
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