

Results of 2018 Town Meeting

ARTICLE 27. Transfer and Authorization - East Street School to AMAHT (Select Board)

VOTED Yes 145, No 27 with 3 abstaining to transfer from the School Committee for school purposes to the Select Board for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance, the care, custody and control of the parcel of land known as the East Street School, located at 31 South East Street, identified by the Assessor's as Parcel 15A-20, and containing 2.4 acres, more or less, and to authorize the Select Board to acquire said property by eminent domain for affordable housing purposes and for the purpose of clearing the Town's title thereto, and to authorize the Select Board to convey the same to the Amherst Affordable Housing Trust Fund for affordable housing purposes on such terms and conditions, and for such consideration, which may be nominal consideration, as the Select Board deems in the best interest of the Town, provided that at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the units developed on said property shall be used in perpetuity for housing for those earning no more than eighty percent (80%) of the area median income, and further to authorize the Select Board to accept, on behalf of the Town, an affordable housing restriction on said units, which may be held in common with said Trust, provided, however, that the Town shall not provide a conditional commitment to convey said property to the Amherst Affordable Housing Trust until the Town Council determines that a feasible project, meeting the above objectives has been identified and shall not convey such property until financing commitments have been obtained, and key permits have been secured.

Action taken 5/16/18

Olympia Oaks Vote in 2010

ARTICLE 18. Olympia Drive – Disposition of Property (Housing Partnership – Fair Housing Committee) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to convey or lease, for term not in excess of ninety-nine (99) years, a certain parcel of land located on Olympia Drive, which parcel contains 13 acres, more or less, and is a portion of the parcel identified on Assessors Map 8D as Parcel 20 and the land described in the Order of Taking recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Book 3018, Page 309, together with any easements appurtenant thereto, for affordable housing purposes on such terms and conditions as the Select Board deems appropriate, provided such conveyance or lease shall be subject to an affordable housing restriction requiring at least 25% of the units constructed on said parcel be sold or rented to low and/or moderate income individuals or households, and further to authorize the Select Board to accept such affordable housing restriction and sign any instruments to effectuate the forgoing; or take any other action relative thereto.