

WARRANT THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF BROOKLINE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Norfolk, ss

To Any Constable of the Town of Brookline

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to NOTIFY and WARN the Inhabitants of the TOWN OF BROOKLINE, qualified to vote at elections to meet via Zoom and at the High School Auditorium in said Brookline on TUESDAY, the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of MAY, 2024 at 7:30 o'clock in the evening for the Annual Town Meeting at which time and place the following articles are to be acted upon and determined by the representative town meeting:

ARTICLE 1

Submitted by: Select Board on behalf of the School Committee

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, the Parks and Recreation Commission, and the School Committee, as the respective case may be, to transfer custody and control and dispose of a portion of the subsurface area below the existing playground property, typically described as the Pierce School Playground. The subsurface area below the existing playground to be transferred and disposed of is located on School Street, is approximately 2.37 acres in size, and further described on the plan below. The transfer and disposition shall be for the purposes of constructing geothermal wells for the new Pierce School.

To further see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Select Board to petition the General Court for a special act, in substantially the following form, and authorize the General Court to make any revisions that are necessary or appropriate to the form of such bill, including any changes requested by the state's Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO USE A PORTION OF THE SUBSURFACE AREA BELOW AN EXISTING PLAYGROUND FOR PURPOSES OF GEOTHERMAL WELLS RELATED TO AN ADJACENT SCHOOL BUILDING

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the town of Brookline may transfer the care, custody, management and control of a portion of the subsurface area below the existing playground property, typically described as the Pierce School Playground having an area of square feet and shown as "Geothermal Circuit (Typ.)," "Geothermal Loop(Typ.)," "Geothermal Vault," and "10" Supply Return Main Line," along with any necessary appurtenances or temporary construction easements, on a plan of land entitled "Town of Brookline, Pierce School, 50 School Street, Brookline, MA 02445: Project Status: 100% Design Development," and dated '2023-11-16" from the parks and recreation commission for playground purposes, temporarily to the pierce school building committee for the purposes of constructing geothermal wells for the new Pierce School, then back to the parks and recreation commission for playground purposes, including the temporary construction impacts on the surface of the playground during the period of construction. The land is identified on the town's assessor's maps as parcel 171-27-00 and is part of the lands acquired by the town of Brookline for playground and for other municipal purposes pursuant to deeds recorded in the Norfolk district registry of deeds in book book numbers, page page numbers.
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or act on anything relative thereto.

AND YOU ARE DIRECTED TO SERVE THIS WARRANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this WARRANT, with your doings thereon, to the Select Board at least FOURTEEN DAYS before the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the TOWN of Brookline, Massachusetts, this 5th day of March, 2024.

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