

2017 Special Town Meeting **Monday November 6 at 6pm** Nantucket High School Auditorium

Nantucket's community depends on the vitality of its sustainable natural resources. VOTE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

The Nantucket Land Council has reviewed the Warrant for the November 6th Town Meeting and offers the following comments on articles which could affect the island's unique and valuable natural resources and quality of life.

Article 10 Real Estate Conveyance: Creeks to Land Bank Recommendation: YES

This property contains wetlands, salt marshes, and an upland area along the waterfront. It is ideally suited for conservation under the ownership of the Land Bank.

Article 11 Real Estate Conveyance: Madequecham Parcels Recommendation: YES

These small parcels along the beach should be protected for open space and coastal resiliency.

Article 15 Sewer District Map Change Bartlett Farm Road Recommendation: NO

This article proposes to expand the Sewer District to include multiple properties along Bartlett Farm Road. Many of the vacant properties are assessed under the state's Chapter 61A program which gives the Town a right of first refusal if the use of the property changes from agricultural. Adding the properties to the sewer district will increase their value and force the Town to pay a higher price if the right of first refusal was ever exercised.

Article 16 Sewer District Map Change and Zoning Change 1 Wherowhero Lane Recommendation: YES on Sewer, NO on zoning Change

This property lies within the Miacomet Pond Watershed and should be included in the sewer district. However, the Zoning request to change the minimum lot size from 2 acre to 1 acre is another attempt to increase subdivision potential and should not be approved.

Article 23 Zoning Map Change LUG -2 to LUG-1 56 South Shore Road Article 24 Zoning Map and Town Overlay District Change 3-9 South Shore Rd. Recommendation: NO

These articles are a continued attempt to change zoning in the South Shore Road area from 2 acre to 1 acre. These zoning proposals have failed repeatedly at past Town Meetings. The articles increase subdivision potential, intensify the demand for Town Services, add more cars and traffic to the roadways, and exacerbate the affordable housing problem on the island.

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