



2016 Special Town Meeting Monday October 17 at 6pm Nantucket High School Auditorium

**Nantucket's community depends on the
vitality of its sustainable natural resources.**

VOTE ENVIRONMENT FIRST

The Nantucket Land Council has reviewed the Warrant for the October 17th Town Meeting and offers the following comments on articles which could affect the island's unique and valuable natural resources, such as drinking water, open space and quality of life.

Article 1 NO Suspension of Madaket/Warren's Landing/Somerset Sewer Extension Request

Although we respect the concerns brought forth by the petitioners of this article, we believe that it is critical to act now instead of delaying a vote till next spring. There is plenty of time before the project moves forward for the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager to work diligently with the Madaket residents who have expressed reservations about the unintended consequences of moving forward.

Article 2 and 3 YES Appropriation and Sewer Map Changes for Madaket and Somerset

Sewering Madaket and a certain portion of Somerset will improve water quality in Hither Creek and Miacomet Pond.

Article 13 NO OPINION Zoning Map Change: LUG-2 (2 acre) to LUG-1 (1 acre) 106 and 108 Surfside Road

We are disappointed that this zoning change is before Town Meeting, however the successful passage of this article will assist in preventing a 40b apartment complex on 106 Surfside.

Article 14 NEED MORE INFORMATION Sewer district and County overlay district change 4, 6, and 8 Hawthorne Lane

There are potential environmental benefits to sewerage this area but the proposed district changes will potentially increase the intensity of development. More information is necessary to better understand the developer's plans.

Article 15 NO Zoning Map Change: LUG-2 (2 acre) to LUG-1 (1 acre) Surfside West South Shore Road, Rachel Drive, Zachary Way, Tripp Drive, Correia Lane, Felton Drive and Marilyn Lane, Masaquet Avenue, Morgan Square

Article 16 NO Zoning Map Change: LUG-2 to R-40 -4 Daffodil Lane

These proposals were soundly defeated by Town Meeting in 2015 and are once again back before the voters. These zoning changes will only serve to increase the seasonal vacation home market, continue to clog our streets with traffic congestion and provide no permanent affordable housing opportunities. The changes will also increase septic and fertilizer pollution into Miacomet Pond.

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