

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

## TOWN OF SPENCER

### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

**September 14th, 2022**

WORCESTER, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Spencer in the County of Worcester, Greetings.

IN THE NAME OF THE Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the David Prouty High School, 302 Main Street, Spencer, MA 01562 on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

**Article 1:**

To see if the Town of Spencer will vote to approve the \$111,587,059.00 borrowing authorized by the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District School Committee, for the purpose of paying costs of designing, constructing, and equipping a multi-phased, addition/renovation project at the David Prouty High School located at 302 Main St., Spencer, MA 01562, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of the David Prouty High School Building Committee; the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District and its member municipalities; any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) seventy-four and nineteen hundredths percent (74.19%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; provided, however, that the approval of the District's borrowing under this article shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt its allocable share of the amounts required for the payment of interest and principal on said borrowing from the limitations on taxes imposed by M.G.L. 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2 ½);

Or take any other action relation thereto.

Town of Spencer Special Town Meeting Wednesday, September 14, 2022

*(Sponsored by the Spencer East Brookfield Regional School District Committee)*

**Finance Committee Recommends Approval: Voted seven in favor, two opposed, and one abstention.**

**Motion:**

I move that the Town of Spencer hereby votes to approve the \$111,587,059.00 borrowing authorized by the Spencer-East Brookfield Regional School District School Committee, for the purpose of paying costs of designing, constructing, and equipping a n owner-occupied, multi-phased, addition/renovation project at the David Prouty High School located at 302 Main St., Spencer, MA 01562, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of the David Prouty High School Building Committee; that the Town acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District and its member municipalities; provided further that any grant that District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) seventy-four and nineteen hundredths percent (74.19%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; provided that the approval of the District's borrowing by this vote shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt its allocable share of the amounts required for the payment of interest and principal on said borrowing from the limitations on taxes imposed by M.G.L. 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2 ½); and that the amount of borrowing authorized by the District shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the District and the MSBA.

**Vote Required: Majority (see G.L. c.71, §16(d))**

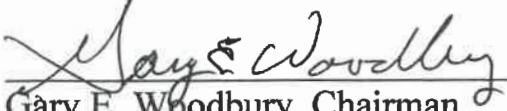
**Motion Made By: Vice Chairman John Howard**


**Motion Seconded By: Selectman Tony Pepe**

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And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting an attested copy in at least three places fourteen (14) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.


HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two.

  
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Gary E. Woodbury, Chairman

  
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John J. Howard, Vice Chairman

  
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Jared J.B. Grigg, Clerk

  
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Ralph E. Hicks, Member

  
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Anthony D. Pepe, Member

Board of Selectmen

A true copy. Attest.

  
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Constable

Worcester, SS.

04/25/2022 Date

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I have posted and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Spencer by posting an attested copy in at least three places at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.

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Constable of Spencer

NOTICE: Persons needing a sign language interpreter or other hearing assistance device, please contact the Board of Selectmen.