



Town of Lexington Annual Town Meeting 2022

Article 16: Appropriate for Public Facilities Capital Projects

This article recommends funding to support the Town's public facilities capital projects. The Department of Public Facilities (DPF) maintains approximately 1.5 million square feet of school and town facilities. The replacement cost of these facilities is approximately \$1.2 billion dollars. The Department of Public Facilities recommends projects that maintain the functionality of facilities, improve operating efficiencies, and support the Facility Master Plan. Many of the capital items included in this article are requested annually and are routine in nature. Town Meeting can find detailed descriptions of these items in Section 11: Capital Investment, in the brown budget book. They include items a-f, which are on the consent agenda. Two capital items, 16g and 16h, have been recommended for individual consideration.

Item 16g is a request for \$500,000 for emergency equipment repairs at Lexington High School. Funds would be used only in the event of a catastrophic equipment failure until a new high school is constructed.

Item 16h is a request for \$31,000 for a water heater analysis to evaluate and identify all possible non-fossil fuel options for the water heater at the Irving H. Mabee Town Pool Complex.

The Select Board unanimously supports passage of all subsections of article 16.