COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

TOWN OF NORWOOD

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the constables in the Town of Norwood in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Norwood, qualified as the law requires to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Auditorium of the Norwood High School on 245 Nichols Street in said Town on Monday, May 14, 2018, 7:30 o’clock in the afternoon to meet and act at said time and place on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, section 7.0 Special Regulations, by inserting a new section 7.6 Open Lot Vehicle Storage, as printed below.

7.6 Special Regulations Open Lot Vehicular Storage

7.6.1 Purpose – In an effort to provide the thriving auto dealerships with land area to temporarily store vehicle inventory in close proximity to their retail sales locations, the following Zoning regulations shall apply.

7.6.2 Applicability – For Auto Storage parking lots containing fewer than 50 vehicles, Site Plan Approval from the Planning Board is required, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.5 Site Plan Approval of this Bylaw. For auto storage lots with 50 or more vehicles, a Special Permit from the Planning Board is required.

7.6.3 Use of Existing parking lots – For existing businesses located in the M, HB, LM and O Zoning Districts that believe that they have a surplus of existing paved parking spaces, they may enter into lease agreements for up to 25% of their existing parking lots, to temporarily store vehicles. The business must have a parking lot that is in compliance with section 6.1 of this Bylaw. The business owner may not lease surplus parking spaces if it results in an overflow of the business’s parking on to any public or private streets or neighboring private property.

7.6.4 Responsibility - Landlord is responsible for providing a copy of the lease agreement between themselves and the auto dealer to the Planning Board as part of the application process. The Landlord is also responsible for adhering to all associated regulations provided below.

7.6.5 Property changes use – When the business associated with the land changes use, resulting in new parking requirements, the landlord must receive approval from the Building Inspector in order to continue their auto storage lease agreement.
7.6.6 **Expansion of Parking Lots for new buildings** – Parking lots for proposed new businesses may be expanded by up to 25%, if it is in compliance with Section 6.1 Off Street Parking & Loading Requirements of this Bylaw. All parking lot expansions shall comply with the requirements of the regulations provided below.

7.6.7 **Landscaping** – Vehicle storage parking lots shall be screened from view utilizing a combination of fencing and landscape plantings. Solid fencing shall be a minimum of 6’ feet in height. Landscape plantings shall be provided as required in section 6.1 Off Street Parking & Loading Requirements and Section 6.4 Landscaping & Screening. Additional plantings may be required for auto storage lots that are visible from public streets and abutting residential properties. Landscaping shall comply with Section 4.2.2 Corner Visibility.

7.6.8 **Lighting** – Lighting for the parking lots shall be provided. Parking lot light poles shall not exceed 20’ in height. Lighting shall not spill over on to adjacent properties. After 11:00PM, lighting levels shall be reduced to minimum levels required for security.

7.6.9 **Setbacks** – Auto storage lots shall comply with the setback requirements in the applicable Zoning District.

7.6.10 **Parking Stalls and Aisles** - Vehicle storage shall be exempt from the parking stall and aisle requirements listed in section 6.1.10 Typical Parking Dimensions. However, vehicle storage shall not create any unsafe ingress or egress, in the event of emergency services.

7.6.11 **Drainage** – Storm water management facilities shall be required for all parking lot expansions. Drainage calculations prepared by a Massachusetts licensed civil engineer shall be submitted that meet the performance and design requirements of the Mass DEP Storm Water Management policy and the Article XXV of the Town General Bylaws - Wetlands Protection Bylaw.

7.6.12 **Vehicles for Sale** – No vehicles shall be shown for sale or sold from an approved auto storage lot. Vehicles may only be sold from licensed auto dealer properties.

7.6.13 **Loading Requirements** – Auto storage lots shall be designed so that trucks shall not be required to back-up onto public or private ways, or be parked on a public or private ways while loading or unloading or waiting to do so.

Or take any other action in the matter.

**ARTICLE 2.**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, section 10.3 Planning Board, to establish a new Associate Planning Board member position. The proposed amendment is shown in red.

**10.3.1 Establishment.** A Planning Board is established under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 41, Section 81A to consist of five (5) members and one Associate member, appointed by the Planning Board to act as needed on Special Permit Applications.

Or take any other action in the matter.
ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, section 3.0 Use Regulations; subsection I. Manufacturing, Processing and Related Uses, by inserting new use categories numbers 6. and 7. as shown below in red.

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Or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Official Zoning Map to change the Zoning District designation from Manufacturing (M) to General Residence (G) for the following properties: Norwood Assessor’s Map as Map 9, Sheet 7C, Lot 121, Map 9, Sheet 7C, Lot 114, Map 9, Sheet 7C, Lot 115 and a portion of Map 9, Sheet 7C, Lot 101 or act on anything relative thereto.

On petition of Michael Saad.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 148, Section 56 of the Massachusetts General Laws, which would authorize the Board of Selectmen to require a license to engage in the business of conducting or maintaining an open-air parking space for parking or storing vehicles, subject to approval by the Chief of the Fire Department; to establish fees for such a license, and to classify such licenses and fees; or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact legislation in substantially the following form, provided that the General Court may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

AN ACT FURTHER REGARDING THE POSITIONS OF TOWN CLERK AND TOWN ACCOUNTANT IN THE TOWN OF NORWOOD

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

Section 1. Section 11 of Chapter 541 of the Acts of 1947 is hereby amended by inserting “and” between “finance commission” and “the chairman of the school committee” and by striking out the words “, and the town clerk and accountant”.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or take any other action in the matter.
ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws as follows:

1. In Article VII, Section 10, delete “Clerk and”. As amended, Article VII, Section 10 shall read: “On or before November first of each year, each board, committee or officer of the Town authorized by law to expend money shall file with the Town Accountant, who shall transmit the same to the Finance Commission, a signed detailed estimate of the appropriation or appropriations recommended by such board, committee or officer for the work under its or his charge for the ensuing year.”

2. In Article XV, Section 3, first sentence, delete “Clerk and”. As amended, the first sentence of Article XV, Section 3 shall read: “The General Manager, Town Accountant, Town Treasurer, and the Librarian shall be ex-officio members of the Committee”; or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Chapter 59 Section 38H (b) of the Massachusetts General Laws, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreement with MAP Energy Funding Solutions regarding a solar array located at the Norwood Central MBTA Station; or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, an easement for sidewalk purposes on land owned now or formerly by Norwood Plaza LLC and located at the intersection of Lenox Street and Nahatan Street in Norwood. Said easement is shown on a plan prepared by Mark P. Ryan, Town Engineer, a copy of which is on file with the office of the Norwood Engineering Department; and further, to see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or transfer from taxation or from surplus revenue or other available funds, or borrow, for the purposes of this article; or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from funds surplus to the requirements of the F.Y. 2018 Group Insurance account to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (“OPEB”) Trust Fund, established to provide future offsets to health care and other liabilities for future retirees, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for Veterans Services, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for the acquisition and implementation of an Enterprise Resource Program (ERP) and related expenses, which is a Town-wide suite of financial, accounting, and administrative software, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds to supplement the School Department’s F.Y. 2018 appropriation, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide funds to pay for an additional English Language Learner Teacher for the FY 18 School Department budget, or take any other action in the matter.
ARTICLE 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer from surplus revenue or other available funds and appropriate for Snow & Ice Removal Expenses, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for Public Works and Cemetery Overtime and for Garage Maintenance, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for Electric Light Department Overtime, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for Norwood Light Broadband Overtime, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for Police Incidental, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for the Fire Department Overtime and Recall, Substitution Pay, and Dispatcher Pay accounts, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer from Surplus Revenue or other available funds and appropriate for payment of Wage and Salary increases and related costs for the Fire Department collective bargaining unit for FY 2018, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from surplus revenue or other available funds for the Town Counsel litigation and outside counsel accounts, or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to borrow at no interest from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the MWRA’s Local Water System Assistance Program, and appropriate for the rehabilitation and replacement of water mains and related expenses, and for other water system improvements; and further, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow the loan amount from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend said sum for said purpose; or take any other action in the matter.

ARTICLE 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer from surplus revenue or other available funds and appropriate for payment of unpaid bills, compensation and other obligations from prior fiscal periods, or take any other action in the matter.
Any individual with a disability who needs accommodations related to accessibility/communications or other aspects of participation in Town Meeting or other related programs should contact:

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THE TOWN OF NORWOOD DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in ten public places in this Town fourteen days at least before the time and day of said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen on or before the day and time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Norwood this seventeenth day of April A.D. 2018.

Thomas F. Maloney, Chairman

William J. Plasko

Helen Abdallah Donohue

Paul A. Bishop

Allan D. Howard
Selectmen of Norwood