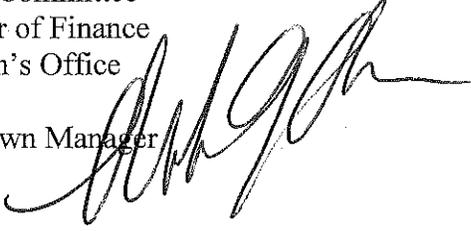


TOWN OF PLYMOUTH  
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OFFICE OF TOWN MANAGER  
MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Selectmen  
Advisory and Finance Committee  
Lynne Barrett, Director of Finance  
Chris Badot, Selectmen's Office

From: Melissa G. Arrighi, Town Manager 

Date: August 18, 2016

Re: Fall Town Meeting, Article 10 – Mount Pleasant School

**ARTICLE 10:** *(condensed article language) To see if the Town will vote to transfer the land and building located on 22 ½ Whiting Street, .....commonly known as the Mount Pleasant Street School, ... to the Board of Selectmen for the purposes of sale or lease or transfer or gift ....pursuant to the requirements of G. L. c. 30B...*

The School Department has made the decision to relocate all of its developmental preschool classes to available space at Plymouth Community Intermediate School, 117 Long Pond Road, Plymouth. With no further need of the Mount Pleasant School building for education purposes, the School Committee voted in support of officially turning the building back to the care and oversight of the Board of Selectmen.

The sale or long term lease or gift/transfer of Town Property requires a vote of Town Meeting. This article requests permission for the Selectmen to sell or lease or gift or transfer the building and land. Past policy direction has been to identify Town owned properties not being utilized and either put them back into production through sale, lease, or lease with purchase option :

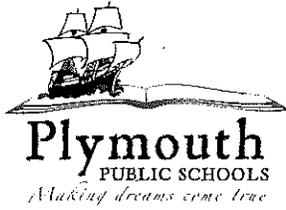
1. CURA building [now a church]
2. Old Council on Aging building on Court Street [sold and subsequently demolished]
3. Old pactv building on Court Street [current Chamber of Commerce Building]
4. Howland Street Building [now art studios]
5. South Street Fire Station [now a residence]
6. Old Cedarville Fire Station [now a veterinary office]

It is critical that we ensure that building does not sit empty for very long. Not only is it very costly to insure a vacant building, it is at greater risk for vandalism. Town meeting, through their legislative authority, votes the ability for the Selectmen to sell/transfer public property; the Selectmen, in their executive role, are the custodians of public property and they determine its' future use.

At this time, the Selectmen have not made the decision regarding what should happen to the building and grounds, although they will do so through an open and public process. The Town has received interest from private developers who would like to establish residential housing at the site. The Selectmen have also received interest from the Plymouth Housing Authority to explore options for affordable housing. I anticipate there will be other possibilities to debate as well.

Finally, I assure you that dispensation of the property will require that the Town go through the bidding process as outlined in Chapter 30B of Massachusetts General Law, unless it is some type of transfer to another public authority.

I would respectfully ask for your support in passing Article 10.



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August 9, 2016

Mrs. Melissa G. Arrighi  
Town Manager  
Town of Plymouth  
11 Lincoln Street  
Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360

Dear Ms. Arrighi:

The School Department has made the decision to relocate all of its developmental preschool classes to available space at Plymouth Community Intermediate School, 117 Long Pond Road, Plymouth, Massachusetts, beginning with the September, 2016 start of the school year. With no further need of the Mount Pleasant School building at 22½ Whiting Street, Plymouth, Massachusetts, the Plymouth School Committee has voted in support of officially turning the building back to the care and oversight of the Board of Selectmen.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Gary E. Maestas, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

C: Mr. Kenneth Tavares, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen

Mr. Dennis Begley, Chair  
Plymouth School Committee

Card 1 of 1

Location 22 .5 WHITING ST	Property Account Number 2738	Parcel ID 022-000-073-000
Old Parcel ID 6812 -G01 -022*0094*		

Current Property Mailing Address

Owner PLYMOUTH TOWN OF SCHOOL DEPT Address 11 LINCOLN ST	City PLYMOUTH State MA Zip 02360 Zoning R20S
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Current Property Sales Information

Sale Date 1/1/1932	Legal Reference 512-181
Sale Price 0	Grantor(Seller)

Current Property Assessment

Year 2016	<b>Card 1 Value</b>
Land Area 2.420 acres	Building Value 617,500
	Xtra Features Value 14,100
	Land Value 440,500
	<b>Total Value 1,072,100</b>

Narrative Description

This property contains 2.420 acres of land mainly classified as Education with a(n) SCHOOL style building, built about 1905 , having BRICK exterior and Asphalt roof cover, with 1 unit(s), 0 total room (s), 0 total bedroom(s), 0 total bath(s), 3 total half bath(s), 0 total 3/4 bath(s).

Legal Description

Property Images

