INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: PEARL SEARS – PLYMOUTH TOWN CLERK
FROM: CHRISTOPHER BADOT
       ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SUBJECT: VIRTUAL TOWN MEETING
DATE: MARCH 2, 2022

This is to acknowledge that at the Select Board Meeting held on February 2, 2022 the Select Board voted 3/2 in favor to approve and authorize the April 2, 2022 Spring Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meetings to be held virtually due to COVID-19 health concerns, as requested by the Town Moderator.

Regards,

Christopher Badot
Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen
Select Board Notice
Of Remote Participation at Town Meeting

Pursuant to the written request by the Town Moderator for remote participation at Town Meeting and in accordance with subsection (a) of Section 8 of Chapter 92 of the Acts of 2020, the Select Board hereby votes that the Special and Annual Town Meetings scheduled to be held on April 2, 2022 pursuant to warrants issued therefor, shall be held remotely by means of the Zoom webinar and Option Technologies Inc. (OTI) virtual voting platforms as requested by the Moderator.

The remote Special and Annual Town Meetings referenced herein shall be held on Saturday, April 2, 2022 commencing at 8:00am. Information necessary for the Moderator, Town Meeting Members, Town Officials, and interested members of the public to access and witness the deliberations and actions taken at the Town Meeting remotely is as follows:

The Town Moderator will provide virtual Town Meeting through Zoom webinar videoconferencing platform and V-Voter, with the help of PACtv and Option Technologies virtual voting platform.

Town Officials will provide information through Zoom webinar videoconferencing platform.

Town Meeting Members will be using telecast through Zoom webinar videoconferencing platform for their deliberations and they will be using V-Voter to take actions.

Interested members of the public will be able to view the meeting through PACtv Channel 15 (Comcast) or Channel 47 (Verizon) or pactv.org/live. Individuals not otherwise lawfully entitled to speak will have the opportunity to speak through the Zoom webinar videoconferencing platform with 48-hour advance notice given to and permission granted by the Town Moderator.

Registered Town of Plymouth voters wishing to participate in the remote Special and Annual Town Meetings as referenced herein shall submit a request to participate in those Meetings to the Town Clerk no less than forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the Town Meetings scheduled for April 2, 2022 commencing at 8:00am. Upon receipt of the request and verification of the requester’s voter registration status, the Town Clerk shall provide to the requester instructions for participating in the remote Town Meetings.

The first order of business at the Town Meetings shall be for the Town Meeting Members present and voting to vote on whether or not to commence business at the Town Meetings remotely by means of the Zoom webinar and OTI virtual voting platforms. If the Town Meeting Members vote to continue conducting the Town Meetings remotely, the members shall proceed by remote participation to address the articles included in the warrants thereof.

This notice, accompanied by the written request of the Town Moderator for remote participation at Town Meeting, shall be filed and posted in accordance with the requirements of G.L. c. 39, §10A, subsection (b); distributed to each Town Meeting Member; and publicly posted not less than 10 days before the scheduled date of the remote Town Meeting.

[Signatures]

Richard F. Paintal, Jr.

Betty A. Caracci

[Signatures]
January 26, 2022

Town of Plymouth
Select Board
26 Court St
Plymouth, MA 02360

Re: Spring 2022 Town Meeting – Request for Remote Participation

Dear Board Members,

Having determined, based upon health concerns arising from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and significant health impacts from virus variants, that it is not possible to safely assemble the Town Meeting Members and interested members of the public in a common location, in accordance with Section 11 of pending Senate Bill No. 2622 allowing for the conduct of representative town meetings by remote means in response to the pandemic, which Bill is anticipated to be signed into law by the Governor, I request that the Select Board call the Spring Annual Town Meeting, and any Special Town Meeting that may also be called to be held on Saturday, April 2, 2022 at 8 AM through remote participation, including, but not limited to, by means of a video or telephone conferencing platform. I have conferred with Barry DeBlasio, local disability commission, to confirm compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act for such remote participation Town Meeting. I have also met with and received a unanimous vote of approval from the Board of Health in regard to the conduct the Spring Annual Town Meeting by remote means.

The Meeting will be conducted using the Zoom webinar and OTI virtual voting platforms. I certify that: (A) I have tested the video or telephone conferencing platform, and (B) the platform satisfactorily enables the Town Meeting to be conducted in substantially the same manner as if the Meetings occurred in person at a physical location and in accordance with the operational and functional requirements set forth in Section 11 of the Bill.

I recognize that should Senate Bill No. 2622 not be enacted, the Spring Town Meeting may not be conducted by remote means and the approval of the Select Board in this regard is contingent upon such enactment.

I look forward to your favorable response to this request in the interest of protecting public health and safety.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
F. Steven Triffletti
Town Moderator