

BYLAW PROPOSAL OF LTCPC AND RATIONALE

1. Amend Town Bylaws to replace the Capital Budget Committee with a “Comprehensive Capital Budget Committee”
2. Expand Committee’s composition in numbers and scope
3. Expand Committee’s mandate

Why Make these Changes?

1. Provide longer visibility on capital needs and funding requirements for the Town
2. Expand public participation in capital planning and approval processes

SHIFT IN CHARGE OF THE COMMITTEE

Capital Budget Committee

- Prepare a Capital Budget Report annually
- Capital Budget Report to include next six years of needed improvements
- Present Capital Discretionary Spending Recommendations to Town Meeting

Comprehensive Capital Budget Committee

- Prepare Long-Term Capital Improvement Plan annually
- One year plan including appropriations and funding approval
- Five-year plan including projects and recommended funding
- 30-year analysis and recommendations of needs
- Long-term Capital Improvement Plan will be included in the Warrant for presentation to Town Meeting
- Prepare Annual Report to Town Meeting on the Plan

COMPARISON OF COMPOSITION OF TWO COMMITTEES

Capital Budget Committee

Seven members

- SB Chair or designee
- WC Chair or designee
- SC Chair or designee
- Four voters of Town appointed by the Moderator

Comprehensive Capital [Planning] Committee

Nine members

- SB Chair or designee
- WC Chair or designee
- EC Chair or designee
- SC Chair or designee
- Five voters of Town appointed by the Moderator (staggered three year terms)
- TA or designee, non-voting and ex-officio
- Superintendent or designee, non-voting and ex-officio₃

REVIEW PROCESS

Fall 2021

- Capital Budget Committee
- Energy Committee
- School Committee
- Select Board
- Warrant Committee

Winter/Spring 2022

- Bylaw Review Committee 2/2/22 and TBD
- Community Preservation Committee 2/9/22 and TBD
- Warrant Committee 2/9/22 and TBD
- School Committee 2/15/22
- Energy Committee 2/16/22
- Capital Budget Committee 2/17/22
- Select Board 2/28/22
- Permanent Building Committee TBD