

TOWN OF BILLERICA

FINAL WARRANT



ANNUAL SPRING TOWN MEETING

**Annual Spring Town Meeting
Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 7:00 PM**

Billerica Town Hall Auditorium

Article Number	Purpose	Value	Funding Source	Submitted by:	Finance Committee Recommendation
1	To Set Compensation of Elected Officials (Town Clerk)	\$108,738.49	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Finance Committee	Recommends
2	To Set Compensation of Elected Officials (Select Board)	\$9,200	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Finance Committee	Recommends
3	To Hear Reports of Town Departments, Committees & Officers			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends

Financial Articles

4	To Transfer from Available Funds Between 2025 Budget Line Items	\$275,000	Transfer and Appropriate from Overlay Surplus	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Reserves Recommendation
5	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – NEPBA Police Officers – Group (A) Patrolmen	\$120,000	Raise and Appropriate	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
6	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – NEPBA Police Officers – Group (B) Superior Officers	\$80,000	Raise and Appropriate	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
7	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – IAEP Police EMT's and Paramedics	This Article has been Withdrawn			
8	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – NEPBA Local 105 Police Civilian Dispatchers		Raise and Appropriate	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Reserves Recommendation
9	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – Teamsters Local 25 DPW Employees	\$190,000	Raise and Appropriate	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
10	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – AFSCME Council 93, Local 1365 Library Clerical Employees	This Article has been Withdrawn			
11	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – School Teachers	This Article has been Withdrawn			
12	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – School Paraprofessionals	This Article has been Withdrawn			
13	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – School Administrators	This Article has been Withdrawn			
14	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – School Custodial Employees	This Article has been Withdrawn			
15	To Fund Collective Bargaining Agreement – School Clerical Employees	This Article has been Withdrawn			

Article Number	Purpose	Value	Funding Source	Submitted by:	Finance Committee Recommendation
16	Fiscal Year 2026 Total Town Department Budgets	\$47,816,459	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Reserves Recommendation
17	Fiscal Year 2026 Billerica Public Education Budget	\$85,578,013	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	School Committee	Reserves Recommendation
18	Fiscal Year 2026 Shawsheen Valley Technical High School Budget	\$11,792,752	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Shawsheen Tech School Committee	Reserves Recommendation
19	Fiscal Year 2026 Town and School Shared Costs Budget	\$54,969,806	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board	Reserves Recommendation
20	Fiscal Year 2026 Town and School Budgets	\$200,157,030	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Finance Committee	Recommends
21	Fiscal Year 2026 Water Enterprise Budget	\$6,836,957	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
22	Fiscal Year 2026 Sewer Enterprise Budget	\$9,497,120	Raise & Appropriate from Available Funds	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
23	To Allow the Town Manager and Finance Committee to Transfer Funds			Finance Committee	Recommends
24	To Authorize Departmental Revolving Funds			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board and School Committee	Recommends
25	To Fund Peg Access and Cable Related Fund	\$218,916.88	Transfer and Appropriate PEG Access and Cable Related Fund	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
26	To Vote to Transfer Monies into the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund	This Article has been Withdrawn			
27	Community Preservation Committee Budget and Project Recommendations	\$1,150,000 \$25,855	Raise and Appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds	Town Manager on behalf of the Community Preservation Committee	Recommends
28	To Rescind and or Transfer Prior Borrowing Authorizations	This Article has been Withdrawn			

Article Number	Purpose	Value	Funding Source	Submitted by:	Finance Committee Recommendation
29	To Fund Construction Services for the Lexington Road / Glad Valley Intersection Improvements Project	\$150,000	Transfer & Appropriate from General Fund Free Cash	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
30	To Fund the Entry, Cleaning and Lining of the Diesel Fuel Tank for the Town Fleet	\$80,000	Transfer & Appropriate from General Fund Free Cash	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
31	To Fund the Update and Calibration of the Town's Sanitary Sewer Model	\$75,000	Transfer and Appropriate from Wastewater Retained Earnings	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
32	To Fund Cost Over-Runs on the Purchase of a New Ambulance	\$132,000	Transfer & Appropriate from General Fund Free Cash	Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends

Land Use / Easements

33	To Authorize the Select Board to Accept Roads as Public Ways			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
34	To Authorize the Select Board to Acquire Easements on Parcels: 58-2-1-3-2, 58-2-1-3-3, 58-2-1-3-3, 58-2-1-3-4 and 66-40-0			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
35	To Comply with Article 97 Requirements for the Yankee Doodle Bike Path			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends
36	To Vote to Grant and Convey an Easement at 121 Lexington Road			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Recommends

Petitions to the Massachusetts General Court

37	To Authorize Digital Publications of Legal Notices	This Article has been Withdrawn			
38	To Authorize Remote Participation at Fall, Spring and Special Town Meeting			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Reserves Recommendation

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General By-Law Changes and Acceptances of State Statutes

39	To Vote to Amend the Town of Billerica General By-Laws and to Create a Right to Farm General By-Law			Select Board Vice Chairman Dina Favreau	Does Not Recommend
40	To Authorize the Acceptance of State Statute M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 22(i)			Select Board Secretary Michael Rosa	Recommends
41	To Vote to Amend Article 1, Sections 6.1 and 6.2 of the Proposed Budget: Submission to the Finance Committee			Select Board Secretary Michael Rosa	Recommends
42	To Vote to Amend the By-Laws to Add a New Transparency, Accountability in Settlement Agreements and NDA Provision	This Article has been Withdrawn			
43	To Vote to Accept State Statute Chapter 59 Section 5, Clause 5C			Select Board Secretary Michael Rosa	Recommends

Zoning By-Law Changes

44	To Vote to Amend the Zoning By-Laws Section 4 Subsection B (5)d Federal Maps			Town Manager; authorized by Select Board	Reserves Recommendation
45	Vote to Delete and Replace the Zoning By-Law (commonly know as a Zoning Recodification)			Planning Board	Recommends

Petitioner Articles

46	Petitioner Article – To Change Zoning By-Law (Section 5(6)(C))	This Article has been Withdrawn			
47	Petitioner Article – A Town-Wide Ban on the Use of Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides				Recommends
48	Petitioner Article – A Ban on the Use of Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides				Recommends
49	Petitioner Article – Establishing a Tree Protection and Preservation By-Law				Recommends

FINAL WARRANT
2025 ANNUAL SPRING TOWN MEETING

Middlesex, ss.

To Any Constable in the Town of Billerica

Greetings,

You are hereby authorized and requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Billerica qualified by law to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Maurice A. Buck Memorial Auditorium, Town Hall, 365 Boston Road, Billerica, MA on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 7:00 PM and subsequent Thursdays and Tuesdays until all of the business in the Warrant shall have been acted upon, then and there to vote on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1 - TO SET COMPENSATION OF ELECTED OFFICIAL (TOWN CLERK)

To see if the Town will vote to fix the compensation of the following elected official of the Town effective July 1, 2025; or act in relation thereto.

Town Clerk - \$108,738.49 a Year

Submitted by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 1 Explanation: In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 108, the salary and compensation of elected officials shall be fixed annually by a vote of Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 2 - TO SET COMPENSATION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS (SELECT BOARD)

To see if the Town will vote to fix the compensation of the following elected officials of the Town effective July 1, 2025; or act in relation thereto.

Select Board, Chairman	\$2,000 a Year
Select Board, Member	\$1,800 a Year

Submitted by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 2 Explanation: In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 108, the salary and compensation of elected officials shall be fixed annually by a vote of Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 3 - TO HEAR REPORTS OF TOWN DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES & OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the reports of Town Departments, Committees and Officers; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 3 Explanation: In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 49, this article allows Town Meeting to hear and act upon reports submitted in the FY 2024 Annual Town Report.

ARTICLE 4 - TO TRANSFER FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS BETWEEN 2025 BUDGET LINE ITEMS

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of \$275,000 to amend the Town Systemwide legal budget line in the Fiscal Year 2025 budget; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee has not made final recommendation.

Article 4 Explanation: This article is an annual article submitted to amend the annual budget to ensure that all line items are fully funded for the current fiscal year.

ARTICLE 5 - TO FUND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - NEPBA POLICE OFFICERS - GROUP (A) PATROLMEN

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$120,000 to fund the first-year cost items contained in the successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the NEPBA (New England Police Benevolent Association, Inc.) Group (A) Patrolmen; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 5 Explanation: With the departure of the Town Manager the Town negotiated a one year contract with a 3% COLA, the appropriation for this article is \$120,000.

ARTICLE 6 - TO FUND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - NEPBA POLICE OFFICERS - GROUP (B) SUPERIOR OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$80,000 to fund the first-year cost items contained in the successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and NEPBA (New England Police Benevolent Association, Inc.) Group (B) Superior Officers; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 6 Explanation: With the departure of the Town Manager the Town negotiated a one-year contract with a 3% COLA, the appropriation for this article is \$80,000.

ARTICLE 7 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN**ARTICLE 8 - TO FUND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT – NEPBA LOCAL 105 POLICE CIVILIAN DISPATCHERS**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the first-year cost items contained in the successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the NEPBA Local 105 Police Civilian Dispatchers; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

Article 8 Explanation: At the time of printing, there was no Collective Bargaining Agreement.

ARTICLE 9 - TO FUND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT – TEAMSTERS LOCAL 25 DPW EMPLOYEES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$190,000 to fund the first-year cost items contained in the successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Teamsters Local 25 DPW Workers; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 9 Explanation: With the departure of the Town Manager the Town negotiated a one-year contract with a 3% COLA, the appropriation for this article is \$190,000.

ARTICLE 10 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN**ARTICLE 11 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN****ARTICLE 12 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN****ARTICLE 13 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN****ARTICLE 14 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN****ARTICLE 15 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN****ARTICLE 16 - FISCAL YEAR 2026 TOTAL TOWN DEPARTMENT BUDGETS**

To see if the Town pursuant to Article 5 of the Billerica Home Rule Charter, will vote to appropriate and adopt \$47,816,459 and to be raised and appropriated from the tax levy and other general revenues for the proposed following line-item budgets in the column entitled “Town MGR FY2026” for Town Departments for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

This Budget was produced under the direction of the Select Board and represents a complete financial plan of all Town funds and activities that are subject to appropriation and provisions for a reserve fund (Account #13170-7063) administered by the Finance Committee.

The line-item budget is arranged to show the actual expenditures for three prior years, the current budget and the proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year. It is summarized by Town agency, function and/or program including any proposed capital expenditures. The Town Manager's detailed budget and all explanatory information are available to the Town Meeting Representatives and the general public for inspection in the Town Manager's Office, the Public Library, Town Clerk's Office and the Town of Billerica's website. The following budget, when considered by the Town Meeting, shall first be subject to amendment, if any, as may be proposed by the Finance Committee; or act in relation thereto.

Town of Billerica Budget Detail FY2026 Page 1	EXPENDED FY2022	EXPENDED FY2023	EXPENDED FY2024	BUDGETED FY 2025	DEPT REQ FY 2026	TOWN MGR FY 2026	FIN COM FY 2026
122 - Select Board							
5110 Personnel	67,825	67,658	100,874	90,924	97,744	97,744	97,744
5190 Contractual Obligations	-	285	100	500	500	500	500
5400 Supplies & Expenses	4,495	4,494	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
5200 Contract Services/Leases	1,498	952	1,356	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
7044 Assessments and Dues	27,575	24,481	28,942	28,942	33,148	33,148	33,148
5800 Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	101,393	97,870	135,772	126,367	137,392	137,393	137,392
123 - Town Manager							
5110 Personnel	489,153	649,262	681,033	717,160	686,639	686,639	686,639
5120 Permanent Part Time	61,763	66,767	35,980	39,545	40,732	40,732	40,732
5130 Overtime	1,369	10,000	-	-	-	-	-
5190 Contractual Obligations	\$10,323	\$14,393	\$33,104	\$43,115	\$ 25,653.00	\$25,653	\$25,653
5400 Supplies & Expenses	23,848	34,384	46,036	48,400	40,000	40,000	40,000
5200 Contract Services/Leases	4,704	15,000	13,436	25,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
7037 Comm. Plan./Proj./Tech. Asst.	4,953	5,348	5,600	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
7050 Pensions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7051 Emp. Medical Exams	77,925	84,524	13,042	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
7053 Prof. Training/Development	3,509	10,024	6,134	15,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
7061 Pr. Town Rep./TM Handouts	15,000	11,674	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
7064 Contract Retro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7094 Assessment Center	31,964	-	-	-	-	-	-
7095 Substance Abuse Program	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
5800 Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	744,510	921,376	866,365	1,015,221	943,024	943,024	943,024
125 - Systems Admin.							
5110 Personnel	116,061	118,953	122,052	127,423	144,892	144,892	144,892
5190 Contractual Obligations	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827
5400 Supplies & Expenses	8,134	19,987	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
5200 Contract Services/Leases	482,300	500,800	463,519	551,000	567,504	567,504	567,504
5800 Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	608,321	641,567	607,398	700,250	734,223	734,223	734,223
129 - Cable Advisory Committee							
5120 Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5400 Supplies & Expenses	-	-	-	5,000	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	5,000	-	-	-
131 - Finance Committee							
5120 Permanent Part Time	-	1,335	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
5400 Supplies & Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5200 Contract Services/Leases	590	427	1,235	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
7063 Reserve Fund	-	-	-	84,520	84,520	84,520	84,520
TOTAL	590	1,762	3,235	88,120	88,120	88,120	88,120
135 - Town Accountant							
5110 Personnel	225,996	277,338	289,979	333,289	263,970	263,970	263,970
5190 Contractual Obligations	12,493	10,893	12,943	12,493	5,200	5,200	5,200
5400 Supplies & Expenses	1,500	1,500	1,186	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,000
5200 Contract Services/Leases	424	488	360	500	500	500	500
7062 Town Audit	64,000	64,000	58,000	64,000	64,000	64,000	64,000
5800 Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	304,413	354,219	362,468	411,782	334,670	334,670	334,670
141 - Assessor							
5110 Personnel	512,301	453,751	490,209	533,549	536,585	536,585	536,585
5120 Permanent Part Time	3,000	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000	3,000
5190 Contractual Obligations	17,253	7,982	8,818	14,277	12,777	12,777	12,777
5400 Supplies & Expenses	2,927	3,067	3,191	3,250	3,250	3,250	3,250
5200 Contract Services/Leases	38,300	38,197	5,919	48,300	48,300	48,300	48,300
5800 Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	573,781	505,997	511,137	599,376	603,912	603,912	603,912

145 - Treasurer/Collector								
5110	Personnel	543,321	510,756	510,756	560,734	611,148	611,148	611,148
5120	Permanent Part Time	20,409	20,409	20,409	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	18,844	20,694	20,694	14,110	17,510	17,510	17,510
5400	Supplies & Expenses	61,512	60,310	60,310	57,500	50,700	50,700	50,700
5200	Contract Services/Leases	68,371	66,891	66,891	72,554	55,804	55,804	55,804
5235	Tax Revenue Collection	35,043	67,112	67,112	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		747,499	746,172	746,172	754,898	785,162	785,162	785,162
161 - Town Clerk								
5110	Personnel	251,634	252,904	220,749	267,652	289,512	289,512	289,512
5190	Contractual Obligations	98,772	5,251	4,610	4,893	5,393	5,393	5,393
5400	Supplies & Expenses	1,003	33	1,852	2,075	2,075	2,075	2,075
5200	Contract Services/Leases	1,195	1,488	925	2,630	3,055	3,055	3,055
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		352,604	259,676	228,136	277,250	300,035	300,035	300,035
162 - Election Department								
5120	Permanent Part Time	18,969	75,396	102,646	78,746	82,257	82,257	82,257
5400	Supplies & Expenses	966	2,760	3,436	4,755	3,585	3,585	3,585
5200	Contract Services/Leases	34,461	81,854	72,582	103,308	46,965	46,965	46,965
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		54,396	160,010	178,664	186,809	132,807	132,807	132,807
163 - Board of Registrars								
5110	Personnel	49,208	51,992	56,311	58,807	61,037	61,037	61,037
5120	Permanent Part Time	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441
5130	Overtime	-	2,000	1,200	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	2,200	2,200	2,200
5400	Supplies & Expenses	5,191	5,749	10,420	10,420	19,945	19,945	19,945
5200	Contract Services/Leases	600	3,300	3,091	3,800	6,760	6,760	6,760
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		59,440	67,482	75,463	80,468	96,383	96,383	96,383
171 - Conservation Commission								
5110	Personnel	203,042	219,327	229,726	249,863	272,546	272,546	272,546
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	3,761	0	-	3,653	1,500	1,500	1,500
5190	Contractual Obligations	13,284	14,738	17,612	20,266	20,266	20,266	20,266
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,191	3,725	1,920	4,000	500	500	500
5200	Contract Services/Leases	2,647	2,450	1,394	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900
7092	Beaver Dam Control	16,463	15,000	12,832	15,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		241,387	255,240	263,484	295,682	315,712	315,712	315,712
175 - Planning Board								
5110	Personnel	80,390	260,980	275,360	299,555	200,111	200,111	200,111
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	37,798	37,798	37,798
5130	Overtime	6,361	3,315	-	-	3,300	3,300	3,300
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
5400	Supplies & Expenses	1,008	1,500	1,453	1,880	1,880	1,880	1,880
5200	Contract Services/Leases	28,088	71,500	7,309	76,150	71,650	71,650	71,650
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		116,846	337,295	284,122	377,585	314,739	314,739	314,739

		EXPENDED FY2022	EXPENDED FY2023	EXPENDED FY2024	BUDGETED FY 2025	DEPT REQ FY 2026	TOWN MGR FY 2026	FIN COM FY 2026
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192 - Town Hall/Buildings								
5110	Personnel	186,171	285,695	291,600	380,581	463,763	463,763	463,763
5130	Overtime	-	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	6,879	7,184	9,529	10,329	10,929	10,929	10,929
5200	Contract Services/Leases	41,424	38,196	21,285	52,500	52,500	52,500	52,500
5400	Postage	119,585	147,054	-	145,000	97,008	97,008	97,008
5400	Custodial Supplies	10,417	11,973	11,987	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
5400	Supplies & Expenses	25,000	33,564	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
7059	Cleaning Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5256	Utilities	52,371	42,551	80,595	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
7058	Building Maintenance	155,100	190,534	184,500	192,000	194,500	194,500	194,500
7055	Telephone	81,978	73,431	81,268	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
7065	Abandoned Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
706x	Masonic Building	12,959	20,993	36,995	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		691,884	876,175	772,759	1,090,410	1,128,699	1,128,699	1,128,699
691 - Historical Commission								
5400	Supplies & Expenses	-	50	-	50	50	50	50
5200	Contract Services/Leases	-	250	240	250	250	250	250
TOTAL		-	300	240	300	300	300	300
910 - Town Systemwide								
7080	Town Retirements	250,000	250,000	492,982	400,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
xxxx	Town Settlements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7088	Town Electric	1,957,196	1,915,928	1,345,069	2,176,640	1,976,640	1,976,640	1,976,640
7095	Streetlights	161,765	165,000	-	-	-	-	-
7096	Legal	240,165	238,690	262,124	257,000	350,000	350,000	257,000
7098	Town Fuel	465,000	413,446	350,590	465,000	465,000	465,000	465,000
TOTAL		3,074,126	2,983,064	2,450,765	3,298,640	2,991,640	2,991,640	2,898,640
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		7,671,190	8,208,205	7,486,180	9,308,158	8,906,818	8,906,819	8,813,818
210 - Police Department								
5110	Personnel	5,862,871	5,822,858	5,500,117	6,280,225	6,416,321	6,416,321	6,416,321
5120	Permanent Part Time	1,530	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
5130	Overtime	778,826	780,000	789,250	789,250	789,250	789,250	789,250
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,677,568	1,629,372	1,498,123	1,488,992	1,735,419	1,735,419	1,735,419
5400	Supplies & Expenses	288,327	319,762	325,761	338,227	359,100	359,100	359,100
5256	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5200	Contract Services/Leases	156,031	150,949	139,090	258,650	276,350	276,350	276,350
5800	Capital Outlay	212,800	240,270	268,826	289,043	311,374	311,374	311,374
TOTAL		8,977,952	8,948,211	8,526,167	9,449,387	9,892,814	9,892,814	9,892,814
220 - Fire Department								
5110	Personnel	6,515,857	6,667,681	7,050,072	7,257,374	7,552,591	7,552,591	7,552,591
5120	Permanent Part Time	50,996	66,912	13,621	34,976	35,676	35,676	35,676
5130	Overtime	794,122	811,250	811,250	915,000	969,900	969,900	969,900
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,194,420	1,192,397	1,226,586	1,341,369	1,413,470	1,413,470	1,413,470
5400	Supplies & Expenses	308,739	305,549	262,643	349,840	359,148	359,148	359,148
5200	Contract Services/Leases	170,537	178,065	170,792	196,240	190,125	190,125	190,125
5256	Utilities	51,378	61,161	60,773	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		9,086,049	9,283,015	9,595,737	10,164,799	10,590,910	10,590,910	10,590,910

231 - Ambulance								
5110	Personnel	1,191,448	1,379,829	1,338,403	1,318,101	1,294,962	1,294,962	1,294,962
5120	Permanent Part Time	6,392	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
5130	Overtime	236,015	237,000	237,132	244,100	244,100	244,100	244,100
5190	Contractual Obligations	194,177	186,564	185,741	205,449	193,345	193,345	193,345
5400	Supplies & Expenses	117,898	124,610	150,455	152,610	172,610	172,610	172,610
5200	Contract Services/Leases	114,200	119,950	113,770	136,890	136,890	136,890	136,890
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		1,860,130	2,062,953	2,040,501	2,072,150	2,056,907	2,056,907	2,056,907
241 - Building Department								
5110	Personnel	655,259	694,548	710,651	694,874	699,289	699,289	699,289
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	14,305	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	44,490	45,440	41,540	40,540	37,240	37,240	37,240
5400	Supplies & Expenses	8,408	10,597	5,156	10,500	10,950	10,950	10,950
5200	Contract Services/Leases	6,447	4,375	27,544	4,375	5,800	5,800	5,800
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		728,909	769,960	799,891	765,289	768,279	768,279	768,279
244 - Sealer Weights and Measures								
5120	Permanent Part Time							
5400	Supplies & Expenses							
5200	Contract Services/Leases	12,500	13,500	16,000	16,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
TOTAL		12,500	13,500	16,000	16,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
291 - Emergency Management								
5110	Personnel	13,509	52,000	53,560	55,167	55,167	55,167	55,167
5400	Supplies & Expenses	5,796	8,000	6,935	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	4,407	5,400	349	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		23,712	65,400	60,844	68,567	68,567	68,567	68,567
292 - Animal Control								
5110	Personnel	66,457	67,713	70,435	72,683	75,233	75,233	75,233
5120	Permanent Part Time	30,397	30,779	32,172	34,686	47,759	47,759	47,759
5130	Overtime	14,000	7,435	13,232	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,750	4,125	4,575	4,575	2,100	2,100	2,100
5400	Supplies & Expenses	3,832	5,177	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
5200	Contract Services/Leases	5,416	4,285	6,454	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
5256	Utilities	5,400	5,056	5,204	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		127,252	124,570	138,572	144,444	157,592	157,592	157,592
510 - Board of Health								
5110	Personnel	307,506	324,757	347,464	357,689	354,120	354,120	354,120
5120	Permanent Part Time	74,324	80,452	83,719	88,494	91,597	91,597	91,597
5130	Overtime	4,500	4,041	3,876	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
5190	Contractual Obligations	24,276	25,872	31,883	35,683	34,916	34,916	34,916
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,970	984	2,017	2,345	2,345	2,345	2,345
5200	Contract Services/Leases	22,169	24,371	23,555	28,532	23,532	23,532	23,532
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		435,746	460,477	492,514	517,243	511,010	511,010	511,010
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		21,252,250	21,728,086	21,670,226	23,197,879	24,060,079	24,060,079	24,060,079

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410 - Engineering								
5110	Personnel	719,129	835,131	896,313	1,058,642	1,105,965	1,105,965	1,105,965
5130	Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	14,760	19,060	14,910	20,410	26,493	26,493	26,493
5400	Supplies & Expenses	7,929	7,701	7,949	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	220,427	210,459	197,144	227,111	227,111	227,111	227,111
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	962,245	1,072,351	1,116,316	1,314,163	1,367,569	1,367,569	1,367,569
421 - Public Works Administration								
5110	Personnel	700,420	726,153	696,725	603,059	639,864	639,864	639,864
5120	Permanent Part Time	130,238	102,184	173,365	262,080	160,000	160,000	160,000
5130	Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	35,437	33,827	33,827	22,734	22,734	22,734	22,734
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,734	2,883	2,365	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	17,325	21,825	46,121	51,375	51,375	51,375	51,375
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	886,154	886,872	952,403	942,248	876,973	876,973	876,973
422 - Highway Department								
5110	Personnel	938,982	939,208	1,060,306	1,248,683	1,220,077	1,220,077	1,220,077
5130	Overtime Regular	68,983	61,132	64,427	66,681	66,681	66,681	66,681
5150	Temporary/Seasonal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	27,961	30,350	30,350	30,350	27,050	27,050	27,050
5400	Supplies & Expenses	450,191	423,856	469,986	473,100	508,100	508,100	508,100
5200	Contract Services/Leases	321,342	320,750	312,999	337,293	340,450	340,450	340,450
5256	Utilities	12,619	21,708	13,100	13,100	13,100	13,100	13,100
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	1,820,077	1,797,004	1,951,168	2,169,207	2,175,458	2,175,458	2,175,458
423 - Snow and Ice								
5131	Snow Overtime	167,360	150,321	148,023	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
5278	Snow and Sand Expenses	1,117,439	954,885	786,966	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
	TOTAL	1,284,799	1,105,206	934,989	420,000	420,000	420,000	420,000
433 - Solid Waste								
5285	Solid Waste	3,261,508	3,368,426	4,186,013	5,013,100	5,372,136	5,372,136	5,372,136
	TOTAL	3,261,508	3,368,426	4,186,013	5,013,100	5,372,136	5,372,136	5,372,136
650 - Parks/Trees								
5110	Personnel	507,203	547,591	566,673	598,703	587,792	587,792	587,792
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	85,305	99,850	99,850	99,850	99,850	99,850	99,850
5190	Contractual Obligations	15,483	17,124	17,124	17,124	13,024	13,024	13,024
5400	Supplies & Expenses	82,131	70,451	74,757	85,925	85,925	85,925	85,925
7093	Mosquito Control	15,000	13,872	14,932	15,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	138,490	113,939	135,802	135,830	134,950	134,950	134,950
5256	Utilities	3,297	4,088	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
5800	Capital Outlay	52,242	93,812	82,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
	TOTAL	899,152	960,727	993,638	1,034,932	1,029,041	1,029,041	1,029,041
491 - Cemetery								
5110	Personnel	296,781	287,526	295,969	315,785	318,079	318,079	318,079
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	56,988	39,694	58,200	58,200	58,200	58,200	58,200
5190	Contractual Obligations	8,788	25,786	6,150	7,128	7,128	7,128	7,128
5400	Supplies & Expenses	35,074	42,582	18,760	43,000	43,000	43,000	43,000
7093	Mosquito Control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5200	Contract Services/Leases	20,155	18,887	15,609	20,450	19,450	19,450	19,450
5256	Utilities	2,250	5,906	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	20,000	-	-	-
5800	Perpetual Care	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	420,036	420,381	396,938	466,813	448,107	448,107	448,107
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		9,533,971	9,610,967	10,531,465	11,360,463	11,689,284	11,689,284	11,689,284

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610 - Public Library								
5110	Personnel	903,158	890,834	932,507	985,451	1,003,315	1,003,315	1,003,315
5120	Permanent Part Time	366,571	356,567	356,578	388,716	399,896	399,896	399,896
5190	Contractual Obligations	27,448	22,021	22,879	22,879	20,196	20,196	20,196
5400	Supplies & Expenses	226,202	231,076	223,943	226,295	238,329	238,329	238,329
5200	Contract Services/Leases	82,549	83,696	83,689	84,634	84,634	84,634	84,634
7059	Cleaning Service	23,619	25,200	23,100	33,600	31,488	31,488	31,488
5256	Utilities	21,696	27,809	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		1,651,243	1,637,203	1,667,696	1,766,575	1,802,857	1,802,857	1,802,857
630 - Recreation Department								
5110	Personnel	305,028	287,891	322,317	373,456	390,497	390,497	390,497
5120	Permanent Part Time	57,700	70,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	5,200	5,350	6,350	9,350	9,350	9,350	9,350
5400	Supplies & Expenses	10,814	11,151	11,580	11,580	11,050	11,050	11,050
5200	Contract Services/Leases	65,836	75,586	66,413	83,718	83,215	83,215	83,215
5256	Utilities	3,000	4,709	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		447,578	454,687	484,660	556,104	572,112	572,112	572,112
91070 - Civic Events/Organizations								
7067	VFW-P, DAV, VFW-S	200	200	-	600	600	600	600
7068	Memorial Day/Homcoming	11,000	3,024	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
7097	Festival Account	2,788	7,876	9,522	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
7098	250th Celebration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7076	Middlesex Canal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7077	Beautification	7,383	3,658	6,482	15,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
7084	Scholarship Account	5,100	4,464	5,100	5,100	5,100	5,100	5,100
TOTAL		26,471	19,222	32,104	41,700	34,700	34,700	34,700
TOTAL LIBRARY & RECREATION		2,125,292	2,111,112	2,184,460	2,364,379	2,409,669	2,409,669	2,409,669
543 - Veterans Services								
5110	Personnel	98,520	122,131	136,954	152,085	149,584	149,584	149,584
5190	Contractual Obligations	5,434	4,434	4,434	5,434	2,000	2,000	2,000
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,345	3,590	4,104	14,956	15,318	15,318	15,318
5200	Contract Services/Leases	968	60	1,785	-	-	-	-
5280	Veterans Benefits	272,136	243,117	226,977	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
TOTAL		379,402	373,332	374,254	322,475	316,902	316,902	316,902
541 - Council on Aging								
5110	Personnel	257,525	271,152	277,675	299,722	279,264	279,264	279,264
5120	Permanent Part Time	26,224	25,352	42,087	43,768	49,268	49,268	49,268
5190	Contractual Obligations	7,750	8,250	9,750	9,750	5,700	5,700	5,700
5400	Supplies & Expenses	36,588	36,588	42,109	42,270	38,510	38,510	38,510
5200	Contract Services/Leases	41,559	41,559	36,940	44,465	43,965	43,965	43,965
5256	Utilities	13,378	13,378	17,000	17,000	17,000	17,000	17,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		383,025	396,280	425,561	456,974	433,707	433,707	433,707
561 - Commission on Disabilities								
5400	Supplies & Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5200	Contract Services/Leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
563 - Housing Partnership								
5150	Temporary/Seasonal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5400	Supplies & Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES		762,427	769,612	799,815	779,449	750,609	750,609	750,609

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

Article 16 Explanation: The detailed budget presentation will be available in the Town Meeting Book and on the Town Manager's Page: <http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/365/Budget-Information>.

ARTICLE 17 - FISCAL YEAR 2026 BILLERICA PUBLIC EDUCATION BUDGET

To see if the Town pursuant to Article 5 of the Billerica Home Rule Charter, will vote to appropriate and adopt \$85,578,013 and to be raised and appropriated from the tax levy and other general revenues for the proposed following line-item budgets in the column entitled "Town MGR FY2026" for the Billerica Public Education Operating Budget for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

This Budget was produced under the direction of the School Committee.

	EXPENDED FY2022	EXPENDED FY2023	EXPENDED FY2024	BUDGETED FY 2025	DEPT REQ FY 2026	TOWN MGR FY 2026	FIN COM FY 2026
300 - Billerica Public Schools							
5166 Professional Salaries	56,079,514	59,692,192	63,529,409	67,265,479	70,803,208	70,803,208	70,803,208
5170 Clerical Salaries	1,070,183	1,102,288	-	1,235,114	-	-	-
5180 Other Salaries							
5466 Supplies & Expenses	1,839,106	1,894,279	915,365	2,940,736	3,028,958	3,028,958	3,028,958
5266 Contract Services/Leases	8,704,314	8,965,443	6,647,711	9,503,370	9,788,471	9,788,471	9,788,471
5267 Utilities	1,444,221	1,487,547	-	1,576,800	1,624,104	1,624,104	1,624,104
5866 Capital Outlay	296,360	305,251	179,566	323,566	333,273	333,273	333,273
TOTAL	69,433,698	73,447,001	71,272,051	82,845,065	85,578,013	85,578,013	85,578,013

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the School Committee

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

Article 17 Explanation: The detailed budget presentation will be available in the Town Meeting Book and on the Town Manager's Page: <http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/365/Budget-Information>.

ARTICLE 18 - FISCAL YEAR 2026 SHAWSHEEN VALLEY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

To see if the Town pursuant to Article 5 of the Billerica Home Rule Charter will vote to appropriate and adopt \$11,792,752 and to be raised and appropriated from the tax levy and other general revenues for the proposed following line-item budgets in the column entitled “Town MGR FY2026” for the Shawsheen Valley Technical High School Operating Budget for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

This Budget was produced under the direction of Shawsheen Valley Technical School Committee.

	EXPENDED FY2022	EXPENDED FY2023	EXPENDED FY2024	BUDGETED FY 2025	DEPT REQ FY 2026	TOWN MGR FY 2026	FIN COM FY 2026
310 - Shawsheen Technical School							
5300 Operating Costs	9,718,263	10,000,885	10,618,653	11,139,241	11,792,752	11,792,752	11,792,752
5800 Capital Outlay				-	-	-	-
TOTAL	9,718,263	10,000,885	10,618,653	11,139,241	11,792,752	11,792,752	11,792,752

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by Shawsheen Tech School Committee

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

Article 18 Explanation: The detailed budget presentation will be available in the Town Meeting Book and on the Town Manager’s Page: <http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/365/Budget-Information>.

ARTICLE 19 - FISCAL YEAR 2026 TOWN AND SCHOOL SHARED COSTS BUDGET

To see if the Town pursuant to Article 5 of the Billerica Home Rule Charter will vote to appropriate and adopt \$54,969,806 and to be raised and appropriated from the tax levy and other general revenues for the proposed following line-item budgets in the column entitled “Town MGR FY2026” for Town School Shared Cost for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. It is anticipated \$41,157 will be transferred from the Hallenborg Rink Revolving Fund to fund a portion of the debt service budget.

	EXPENDED FY2022	EXPENDED FY2023	EXPENDED FY2024	BUDGETED FY 2025	DEPT REQ FY 2026	TOWN MGR FY 2026	FIN COM FY 2026
710 - Capital							
7155 Equipment	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
7145 Contracts	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
TOTAL	2,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
710 - Debt and Interest							
7150 Debt Principal - Town	245,000	823,000	820,000	1,061,625	1,051,625	1,051,625	1,051,625
7140 Debt Principal - School	475,000	443,000	394,000	391,000	176,000	176,000	176,000
7550 Debt Interest - Town	53,575	690,065	515,461	560,334	510,253	510,253	510,253
7160 Debt Interest - School	80,305	90,037	58,583	47,151	37,858	37,858	37,858
7580 New Debt - Town Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7130 Temporary Borrowing - Town	142,416	299,167	224,305	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
7150 Temporary Borrowing - Debt Excl	90,000	186,358	-	-	-	-	-
7170 High School Exclusion - Principal	1,865,000	1,950,000	2,040,000	2,325,000	2,425,000	2,425,000	2,425,000
7170 High School Exclusion - Interest	3,177,081	3,083,831	2,986,331	3,047,881	2,931,631	2,931,631	2,931,631
75XP Parker Debt Exclusion - Principal	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000
75XI Parker Debt Exclusion - Interest	13,763	123,962	107,963	101,563	94,363	94,363	94,363
75XO Debt Stabilization Appropriation	-	-	-	1,055,895	1,055,895	1,055,895	1,055,895
TOTAL	6,462,140	8,009,420	7,466,643	9,260,449	8,952,624	8,952,624	8,952,624
91070 - Town/School Shared Costs							
7010 Bldg/Auto/Liab Insurance	1,331,000	1,300,623	1,647,834	1,777,460	1,884,108	1,884,108	1,884,108
7012 Health Insurance	17,163,339	17,163,339	17,163,339	17,563,339	19,302,110	19,302,110	19,302,110
7020 Workers' Compensation	736,578	737,323	753,583	866,000	866,000	866,000	866,000
7030 Unemployment Comp.	47,338	77,800	48,258	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
7042 Medicare	1,303,492	1,358,808	1,430,734	1,358,240	1,358,240	1,358,240	1,358,240
7052 County Retirement Assessment	13,587,241	14,484,999	15,426,547	16,438,951	17,456,575	17,456,575	17,456,575
7052 OPEB Trust Contribution	1,749,006	2,011,357	-	2,428,714	2,550,149	2,550,149	2,550,149
TOTAL	35,917,994	37,134,249	36,470,295	40,532,704	43,517,182	43,517,182	43,517,182
TOTAL TOWN & SCHOOL SHARED COSTS	44,380,134	47,643,669	46,436,938	52,293,153	54,969,806	54,969,806	54,969,806

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

Article 19 Explanation: The detailed budget presentation will be available in the Town Meeting Book and on the Town Manager's Page: <http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/365/Budget-Information>.

ARTICLE 20 - FISCAL YEAR 2026 TOWN AND SCHOOL BUDGETS

To see if the Town pursuant to Article 5 of the Billerica Home Rule Charter will vote to appropriate and adopt \$200,157,031 and to be raised and appropriated from the tax levy and other general revenues for the proposed following line-item budgets in the column entitled "Town MGR FY2026" for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. It is anticipated \$41,157 will be transferred from the Hallenborg Rink Revolving Fund to fund a portion of the debt service budget.

This Budget was produced under the direction of the Select Board and represents a complete financial plan of all Town funds and activities that are subject to appropriation, including the budget as requested by the School Committee (Department Account # 300-5100-#300-5800) and provisions for a reserve fund (Account #13170-7063) administered by the Finance Committee.

The line-item budget is arranged to show the actual expenditures for the current year and the proposed Budget for the ensuing year. It is summarized by Town agency, function and/or program including any proposed capital expenditures. The Town Manager's detailed budget and all explanatory information are available to the Town Meeting Representatives and the general public for inspection in the Town Manager's Office, the Public Library, Town Clerk's Office and the Town of Billerica's website. The following budget, when considered by the Town Meeting, shall first be subject to amendment, if any, as may be proposed by the Finance Committee; or act in relation thereto.

Tovn of Billerica Budget Detail FY2026 Page 1		EXPENDED FY2022	EXPENDED FY2023	EXPENDED FY2024	BUDGETED FY 2025	DEPT REQ FY 2026	TOWN MGR FY 2026	FIN COM FY 2026
122 - Select Board								
5110	Personnel	67,825	67,658	100,874	90,924	97,744	97,744	97,744
5190	Contractual Obligations	-	285	100	500	500	500	500
5400	Supplies & Expenses	4,495	4,494	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
5200	Contract Services/Leases	1,498	952	1,356	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
7044	Assessments and Dues	27,575	24,481	28,942	28,942	33,148	33,148	33,148
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		101,393	97,870	135,772	126,367	137,392	137,393	137,392
123 - Town Manager								
5110	Personnel	489,153	649,262	681,033	717,160	686,639	686,639	686,639
5120	Permanent Part Time	61,763	66,767	35,980	39,545	40,732	40,732	40,732
5130	Overtime	1,369	10,000	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	\$10,323	\$14,393	\$33,104	\$43,115	\$ 25,653.00	\$25,653	\$25,653
5400	Supplies & Expenses	23,848	34,384	46,036	48,400	40,000	40,000	40,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	4,704	15,000	13,436	25,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
7037	Comm. Plan./Proj./Tech. Asst.	4,953	5,348	5,600	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
7050	Pensions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7051	Emp. Medical Exams	77,925	84,524	13,042	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
7053	Prof. Training/Development	3,509	10,024	6,134	15,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
7061	Pr. Town Rep./TM Handouts	15,000	11,674	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
7064	Contract Retro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7094	Assessment Center	31,964	-	-	-	-	-	-
7095	Substance Abuse Program	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		744,510	921,376	866,365	1,015,221	943,024	943,024	943,024
125 - Systems Admin.								
5110	Personnel	116,061	118,953	122,052	127,423	144,892	144,892	144,892
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827	1,827
5400	Supplies & Expenses	8,134	19,987	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	482,300	500,800	463,519	551,000	567,504	567,504	567,504
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		608,321	641,567	607,398	700,250	734,223	734,223	734,223
129 - Cable Advisory Committee								
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5400	Supplies & Expenses	-	-	-	5,000	-	-	-
TOTAL		-	-	-	5,000	-	-	-
131 - Finance Committee								
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	1,335	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
5400	Supplies & Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5200	Contract Services/Leases	590	427	1,235	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
7063	Reserve Fund	-	-	-	84,520	84,520	84,520	84,520
TOTAL		590	1,762	3,235	88,120	88,120	88,120	88,120
135 - Town Accountant								
5110	Personnel	225,996	277,338	289,979	333,289	263,970	263,970	263,970
5190	Contractual Obligations	12,493	10,893	12,943	12,493	5,200	5,200	5,200
5400	Supplies & Expenses	1,500	1,500	1,186	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	424	488	360	500	500	500	500
7062	Town Audit	64,000	64,000	58,000	64,000	64,000	64,000	64,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		304,413	354,219	362,468	411,782	334,670	334,670	334,670
141 - Assessor								
5110	Personnel	512,301	453,751	490,209	533,549	536,585	536,585	536,585
5120	Permanent Part Time	3,000	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000	3,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	17,253	7,982	8,818	14,277	12,777	12,777	12,777
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,927	3,067	3,191	3,250	3,250	3,250	3,250
5200	Contract Services/Leases	38,300	38,197	5,919	48,300	48,300	48,300	48,300
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		573,781	505,997	511,137	599,376	603,912	603,912	603,912

145 - Treasurer/Collector								
5110	Personnel	543,321	510,756	510,756	560,734	611,148	611,148	611,148
5120	Permanent Part Time	20,409	20,409	20,409	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	18,844	20,694	20,694	14,110	17,510	17,510	17,510
5400	Supplies & Expenses	61,512	60,310	60,310	57,500	50,700	50,700	50,700
5200	Contract Services/Leases	68,371	66,891	66,891	72,554	55,804	55,804	55,804
5235	Tax Revenue Collection	35,043	67,112	67,112	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		747,499	746,172	746,172	754,898	785,162	785,162	785,162
161 - Town Clerk								
5110	Personnel	251,634	252,904	220,749	267,652	289,512	289,512	289,512
5190	Contractual Obligations	98,772	5,251	4,610	4,893	5,393	5,393	5,393
5400	Supplies & Expenses	1,003	33	1,852	2,075	2,075	2,075	2,075
5200	Contract Services/Leases	1,195	1,488	925	2,630	3,055	3,055	3,055
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		352,604	259,676	228,136	277,250	300,035	300,035	300,035
162 - Election Department								
5120	Permanent Part Time	18,969	75,396	102,646	78,746	82,257	82,257	82,257
5400	Supplies & Expenses	966	2,760	3,436	4,755	3,585	3,585	3,585
5200	Contract Services/Leases	34,461	81,854	72,582	103,308	46,965	46,965	46,965
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		54,396	160,010	178,664	186,809	132,807	132,807	132,807
163 - Board of Registrars								
5110	Personnel	49,208	51,992	56,311	58,807	61,037	61,037	61,037
5120	Permanent Part Time	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441	3,441
5130	Overtime	-	2,000	1,200	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	2,200	2,200	2,200
5400	Supplies & Expenses	5,191	5,749	10,420	10,420	19,945	19,945	19,945
5200	Contract Services/Leases	600	3,300	3,091	3,800	6,760	6,760	6,760
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		59,440	67,482	75,463	80,468	96,383	96,383	96,383
171 - Conservation Commission								
5110	Personnel	203,042	219,327	229,726	249,863	272,546	272,546	272,546
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	3,761	0	-	3,653	1,500	1,500	1,500
5190	Contractual Obligations	13,284	14,738	17,612	20,266	20,266	20,266	20,266
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,191	3,725	1,920	4,000	500	500	500
5200	Contract Services/Leases	2,647	2,450	1,394	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900
7092	Beaver Dam Control	16,463	15,000	12,832	15,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		241,387	255,240	263,484	295,682	315,712	315,712	315,712
175 - Planning Board								
5110	Personnel	80,390	260,980	275,360	299,555	200,111	200,111	200,111
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	37,798	37,798	37,798
5130	Overtime	6,361	3,315	-	-	3,300	3,300	3,300
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
5400	Supplies & Expenses	1,008	1,500	1,453	1,880	1,880	1,880	1,880
5200	Contract Services/Leases	28,088	71,500	7,309	76,150	71,650	71,650	71,650
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		116,846	337,295	284,122	377,585	314,739	314,739	314,739

		EXPENDED FY2022	EXPENDED FY2023	EXPENDED FY2024	BUDGETED FY 2025	DEPT REQ FY 2026	TOWN MGR FY 2026	FIN COM FY 2026
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192 - Town Hall/Buildings								
5110	Personnel	186,171	285,695	291,600	380,581	463,763	463,763	463,763
5130	Overtime	-	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	6,879	7,184	9,529	10,329	10,929	10,929	10,929
5200	Contract Services/Leases	41,424	38,196	21,285	52,500	52,500	52,500	52,500
5400	Postage	119,585	147,054	-	145,000	97,008	97,008	97,008
5400	Custodial Supplies	10,417	11,973	11,987	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
5400	Supplies & Expenses	25,000	33,564	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
7059	Cleaning Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5256	Utilities	52,371	42,551	80,595	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
7058	Building Maintenance	155,100	190,534	184,500	192,000	194,500	194,500	194,500
7055	Telephone	81,978	73,431	81,268	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
7065	Abandoned Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
706x	Masonic Building	12,959	20,993	36,995	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		691,884	876,175	772,759	1,090,410	1,128,699	1,128,699	1,128,699
691 - Historical Commission								
5400	Supplies & Expenses	-	50	-	50	50	50	50
5200	Contract Services/Leases	-	250	240	250	250	250	250
TOTAL		-	300	240	300	300	300	300
910 - Town Systemwide								
7080	Town Retirements	250,000	250,000	492,982	400,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
xxxx	Town Settlements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7088	Town Electric	1,957,196	1,915,928	1,345,069	2,176,640	1,976,640	1,976,640	1,976,640
7095	Streetlights	161,765	165,000	-	-	-	-	-
7096	Legal	240,165	238,690	262,124	257,000	350,000	350,000	257,000
7098	Town Fuel	465,000	413,446	350,590	465,000	465,000	465,000	465,000
TOTAL		3,074,126	2,983,064	2,450,765	3,298,640	2,991,640	2,991,640	2,898,640
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		7,671,190	8,208,205	7,486,180	9,308,158	8,906,818	8,906,819	8,813,818
210 - Police Department								
5110	Personnel	5,862,871	5,822,858	5,500,117	6,280,225	6,416,321	6,416,321	6,416,321
5120	Permanent Part Time	1,530	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
5130	Overtime	778,826	780,000	789,250	789,250	789,250	789,250	789,250
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,677,568	1,629,372	1,498,123	1,488,992	1,735,419	1,735,419	1,735,419
5400	Supplies & Expenses	288,327	319,762	325,761	338,227	359,100	359,100	359,100
5256	Utilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5200	Contract Services/Leases	156,031	150,949	139,090	258,650	276,350	276,350	276,350
5800	Capital Outlay	212,800	240,270	268,826	289,043	311,374	311,374	311,374
TOTAL		8,977,952	8,948,211	8,526,167	9,449,387	9,892,814	9,892,814	9,892,814
220 - Fire Department								
5110	Personnel	6,515,857	6,667,681	7,050,072	7,257,374	7,552,591	7,552,591	7,552,591
5120	Permanent Part Time	50,996	66,912	13,621	34,976	35,676	35,676	35,676
5130	Overtime	794,122	811,250	811,250	915,000	969,900	969,900	969,900
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,194,420	1,192,397	1,226,586	1,341,369	1,413,470	1,413,470	1,413,470
5400	Supplies & Expenses	308,739	305,549	262,643	349,840	359,148	359,148	359,148
5200	Contract Services/Leases	170,537	178,065	170,792	196,240	190,125	190,125	190,125
5256	Utilities	51,378	61,161	60,773	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		9,086,049	9,283,015	9,595,737	10,164,799	10,590,910	10,590,910	10,590,910

231 - Ambulance								
5110	Personnel	1,191,448	1,379,829	1,338,403	1,318,101	1,294,962	1,294,962	1,294,962
5120	Permanent Part Time	6,392	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
5130	Overtime	236,015	237,000	237,132	244,100	244,100	244,100	244,100
5190	Contractual Obligations	194,177	186,564	185,741	205,449	193,345	193,345	193,345
5400	Supplies & Expenses	117,898	124,610	150,455	152,610	172,610	172,610	172,610
5200	Contract Services/Leases	114,200	119,950	113,770	136,890	136,890	136,890	136,890
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		1,860,130	2,062,953	2,040,501	2,072,150	2,056,907	2,056,907	2,056,907
241 - Building Department								
5110	Personnel	655,259	694,548	710,651	694,874	699,289	699,289	699,289
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	14,305	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	44,490	45,440	41,540	40,540	37,240	37,240	37,240
5400	Supplies & Expenses	8,408	10,597	5,156	10,500	10,950	10,950	10,950
5200	Contract Services/Leases	6,447	4,375	27,544	4,375	5,800	5,800	5,800
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		728,909	769,960	799,891	765,289	768,279	768,279	768,279
244 - Sealer Weights and Measures								
5120	Permanent Part Time							
5400	Supplies & Expenses							
5200	Contract Services/Leases	12,500	13,500	16,000	16,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
TOTAL		12,500	13,500	16,000	16,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
291 - Emergency Management								
5110	Personnel	13,509	52,000	53,560	55,167	55,167	55,167	55,167
5400	Supplies & Expenses	5,796	8,000	6,935	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	4,407	5,400	349	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		23,712	65,400	60,844	68,567	68,567	68,567	68,567
292 - Animal Control								
5110	Personnel	66,457	67,713	70,435	72,683	75,233	75,233	75,233
5120	Permanent Part Time	30,397	30,779	32,172	34,686	47,759	47,759	47,759
5130	Overtime	14,000	7,435	13,232	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	1,750	4,125	4,575	4,575	2,100	2,100	2,100
5400	Supplies & Expenses	3,832	5,177	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
5200	Contract Services/Leases	5,416	4,285	6,454	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
5256	Utilities	5,400	5,056	5,204	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		127,252	124,570	138,572	144,444	157,592	157,592	157,592
510 - Board of Health								
5110	Personnel	307,506	324,757	347,464	357,689	354,120	354,120	354,120
5120	Permanent Part Time	74,324	80,452	83,719	88,494	91,597	91,597	91,597
5130	Overtime	4,500	4,041	3,876	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
5190	Contractual Obligations	24,276	25,872	31,883	35,683	34,916	34,916	34,916
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,970	984	2,017	2,345	2,345	2,345	2,345
5200	Contract Services/Leases	22,169	24,371	23,555	28,532	23,532	23,532	23,532
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		435,746	460,477	492,514	517,243	511,010	511,010	511,010
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		21,252,250	21,728,086	21,670,226	23,197,879	24,060,079	24,060,079	24,060,079

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410 - Engineering								
5110	Personnel	719,129	835,131	896,313	1,058,642	1,105,965	1,105,965	1,105,965
5130	Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	14,760	19,060	14,910	20,410	26,493	26,493	26,493
5400	Supplies & Expenses	7,929	7,701	7,949	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	220,427	210,459	197,144	227,111	227,111	227,111	227,111
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	962,245	1,072,351	1,116,316	1,314,163	1,367,569	1,367,569	1,367,569
421 - Public Works Administration								
5110	Personnel	700,420	726,153	696,725	603,059	639,864	639,864	639,864
5120	Permanent Part Time	130,238	102,184	173,365	262,080	160,000	160,000	160,000
5130	Overtime	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	35,437	33,827	33,827	22,734	22,734	22,734	22,734
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,734	2,883	2,365	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	17,325	21,825	46,121	51,375	51,375	51,375	51,375
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	886,154	886,872	952,403	942,248	876,973	876,973	876,973
422 - Highway Department								
5110	Personnel	938,982	939,208	1,060,306	1,248,683	1,220,077	1,220,077	1,220,077
5130	Overtime Regular	68,983	61,132	64,427	66,681	66,681	66,681	66,681
5150	Temporary/Seasonal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5190	Contractual Obligations	27,961	30,350	30,350	30,350	27,050	27,050	27,050
5400	Supplies & Expenses	450,191	423,856	469,986	473,100	508,100	508,100	508,100
5200	Contract Services/Leases	321,342	320,750	312,999	337,293	340,450	340,450	340,450
5256	Utilities	12,619	21,708	13,100	13,100	13,100	13,100	13,100
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	1,820,077	1,797,004	1,951,168	2,169,207	2,175,458	2,175,458	2,175,458
423 - Snow and Ice								
5131	Snow Overtime	167,360	150,321	148,023	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
5278	Snow and Sand Expenses	1,117,439	954,885	786,966	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
	TOTAL	1,284,799	1,105,206	934,989	420,000	420,000	420,000	420,000
433 - Solid Waste								
5285	Solid Waste	3,261,508	3,368,426	4,186,013	5,013,100	5,372,136	5,372,136	5,372,136
	TOTAL	3,261,508	3,368,426	4,186,013	5,013,100	5,372,136	5,372,136	5,372,136
650 - Parks/Trees								
5110	Personnel	507,203	547,591	566,673	598,703	587,792	587,792	587,792
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	85,305	99,850	99,850	99,850	99,850	99,850	99,850
5190	Contractual Obligations	15,483	17,124	17,124	17,124	13,024	13,024	13,024
5400	Supplies & Expenses	82,131	70,451	74,757	85,925	85,925	85,925	85,925
7093	Mosquito Control	15,000	13,872	14,932	15,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
5200	Contract Services/Leases	138,490	113,939	135,802	135,830	134,950	134,950	134,950
5256	Utilities	3,297	4,088	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
5800	Capital Outlay	52,242	93,812	82,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
	TOTAL	899,152	960,727	993,638	1,034,932	1,029,041	1,029,041	1,029,041
491 - Cemetery								
5110	Personnel	296,781	287,526	295,969	315,785	318,079	318,079	318,079
5120	Permanent Part Time	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5130	Overtime	56,988	39,694	58,200	58,200	58,200	58,200	58,200
5190	Contractual Obligations	8,788	25,786	6,150	7,128	7,128	7,128	7,128
5400	Supplies & Expenses	35,074	42,582	18,760	43,000	43,000	43,000	43,000
7093	Mosquito Control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5200	Contract Services/Leases	20,155	18,887	15,609	20,450	19,450	19,450	19,450
5256	Utilities	2,250	5,906	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	20,000	-	-	-
5800	Perpetual Care	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	420,036	420,381	396,938	466,813	448,107	448,107	448,107
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		9,533,971	9,610,967	10,531,465	11,360,463	11,689,284	11,689,284	11,689,284

300 - Billerica Public Schools							
5166	Professional Salaries	56,079,514	59,692,192	63,529,409	67,265,479	70,803,208	70,803,208
5170	Clerical Salaries	1,070,183	1,102,288	-	1,235,114	-	-
5180	Other Salaries						
5466	Supplies & Expenses	1,839,106	1,894,279	915,365	2,940,736	3,028,958	3,028,958
5266	Contract Services/Leases	8,704,314	8,965,443	6,647,711	9,503,370	9,788,471	9,788,471
5267	Utilities	1,444,221	1,487,547	-	1,576,800	1,624,104	1,624,104
5866	Capital Outlay	296,360	305,251	179,566	323,566	333,273	333,273
	TOTAL	69,433,698	73,447,001	71,272,051	82,845,065	85,578,013	85,578,013
310 - Shawsheen Technical School							
5300	Operating Costs	9,718,263	10,000,885	10,618,653	11,139,241	11,792,752	11,792,752
5800	Capital Outlay				-	-	-
	TOTAL	9,718,263	10,000,885	10,618,653	11,139,241	11,792,752	11,792,752
	TOTAL PUBLIC EDUCATION	79,151,961	83,447,886	81,890,704	93,984,306	97,370,765	97,370,765
Town of Billerica Budget Detail							
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		EXPENDED	EXPENDED	EXPENDED	BUDGETED	DEPT REQ	TOWN MGR
		FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FIN COM
610 - Public Library							
5110	Personnel	903,158	890,834	932,507	985,451	1,003,315	1,003,315
5120	Permanent Part Time	366,571	356,567	356,578	388,716	399,896	399,896
5190	Contractual Obligations	27,448	22,021	22,879	22,879	20,196	20,196
5400	Supplies & Expenses	226,202	231,076	223,943	226,295	238,329	238,329
5200	Contract Services/Leases	82,549	83,696	83,689	84,634	84,634	84,634
7059	Cleaning Service	23,619	25,200	23,100	33,600	31,488	31,488
5256	Utilities	21,696	27,809	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	1,651,243	1,637,203	1,667,696	1,766,575	1,802,857	1,802,857
630 - Recreation Department							
5110	Personnel	305,028	287,891	322,317	373,456	390,497	390,497
5120	Permanent Part Time	57,700	70,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
5190	Contractual Obligations	5,200	5,350	6,350	9,350	9,350	9,350
5400	Supplies & Expenses	10,814	11,151	11,580	11,580	11,050	11,050
5200	Contract Services/Leases	65,836	75,586	66,413	83,718	83,215	83,215
5256	Utilities	3,000	4,709	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	447,578	454,687	484,660	556,104	572,112	572,112
91070 - Civic Events/Organizations							
7067	VFW-P, DAV, VFW-S	200	200	-	600	600	600
7068	Memorial Day/Homcoming	11,000	3,024	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
7097	Festival Account	2,788	7,876	9,522	10,000	10,000	10,000
7098	250th Celebration	-	-	-	-	-	-
7076	Middlesex Canal	-	-	-	-	-	-
7077	Beautification	7,383	3,658	6,482	15,000	8,000	8,000
7084	Scholarship Account	5,100	4,464	5,100	5,100	5,100	5,100
	TOTAL	26,471	19,222	32,104	41,700	34,700	34,700
	TOTAL LIBRARY & RECREATION	2,125,292	2,111,112	2,184,460	2,364,379	2,409,669	2,409,669
543 - Veterans Services							
5110	Personnel	98,520	122,131	136,954	152,085	149,584	149,584
5190	Contractual Obligations	5,434	4,434	4,434	5,434	2,000	2,000
5400	Supplies & Expenses	2,345	3,590	4,104	14,956	15,318	15,318
5200	Contract Services/Leases	968	60	1,785	-	-	-
5280	Veterans Benefits	272,136	243,117	226,977	150,000	150,000	150,000
	TOTAL	379,402	373,332	374,254	322,475	316,902	316,902
541 - Council on Aging							
5110	Personnel	257,525	271,152	277,675	299,722	279,264	279,264
5120	Permanent Part Time	26,224	25,352	42,087	43,768	49,268	49,268
5190	Contractual Obligations	7,750	8,250	9,750	9,750	5,700	5,700
5400	Supplies & Expenses	36,588	36,588	42,109	42,270	38,510	38,510
5200	Contract Services/Leases	41,559	41,559	36,940	44,465	43,965	43,965
5256	Utilities	13,378	13,378	17,000	17,000	17,000	17,000
5800	Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	383,025	396,280	425,561	456,974	433,707	433,707
561 - Commission on Disabilities							
5400	Supplies & Expenses				-	-	-
5200	Contract Services/Leases				-	-	-
	TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-
563 - Housing Partnership							
5150	Temporary/Seasonal				-	-	-
5400	Supplies & Expenses				-	-	-
	TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	762,427	769,612	799,815	779,449	750,609	750,609

710 - Capital							
7155 Equipment	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
7145 Contracts	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
TOTAL	2,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
710 - Debt and Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7150 Debt Principal - Town	245,000	823,000	820,000	1,061,625	1,051,625	1,051,625	1,051,625
7140 Debt Principal - School	475,000	443,000	394,000	391,000	176,000	176,000	176,000
7550 Debt Interest - Town	53,575	690,065	515,461	560,334	510,253	510,253	510,253
7160 Debt Interest - School	80,305	90,037	58,583	47,151	37,858	37,858	37,858
7580 New Debt - Town Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7130 Temporary Borrowing - Town	142,416	299,167	224,305	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
7150 Temporary Borrowing - Debt Excl	90,000	186,358	-	-	-	-	-
7170 High School Exclusion - Principal	1,865,000	1,950,000	2,040,000	2,325,000	2,425,000	2,425,000	2,425,000
7170 High School Exclusion - Interest	3,177,081	3,083,831	2,986,331	3,047,881	2,931,631	2,931,631	2,931,631
75XP Parker Debt Exclusion - Principal	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000
75XI Parker Debt Exclusion - Interest	13,763	123,962	107,963	101,563	94,363	94,363	94,363
75XO Debt Stabilization Appropriation	-	-	-	1,055,895	1,055,895	1,055,895	1,055,895
TOTAL	6,462,140	8,009,420	7,466,643	9,260,449	8,952,624	8,952,624	8,952,624
91070 - Town/School Shared Costs							
7010 Bldg/Auto/Liab Insurance	1,331,000	1,300,623	1,647,834	1,777,460	1,884,108	1,884,108	1,884,108
7012 Health Insurance	17,163,339	17,163,339	17,163,339	17,563,339	19,302,110	19,302,110	19,302,110
7020 Workers' Compensation	736,578	737,323	753,583	866,000	866,000	866,000	866,000
7030 Unemployment Comp.	47,338	77,800	48,258	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
7042 Medicare	1,303,492	1,358,808	1,430,734	1,358,240	1,358,240	1,358,240	1,358,240
7052 County Retirement Assessment	13,587,241	14,484,999	15,426,547	16,438,951	17,456,575	17,456,575	17,456,575
7052 OPEB Trust Contribution	1,749,006	2,011,357	-	2,428,714	2,550,149	2,550,149	2,550,149
TOTAL	35,917,994	37,134,249	36,470,295	40,532,704	43,517,182	43,517,182	43,517,182
TOTAL TOWN & SCHOOL SHARED COSTS	44,380,134	47,643,669	46,436,938	52,293,153	54,969,806	54,969,806	54,969,806
SUMMARY							
General Government	7,671,190	8,208,205	7,486,180	9,308,158	8,906,818	8,906,819	8,813,818
Public Safety	21,252,250	21,728,086	21,670,226	23,197,879	24,060,079	24,060,079	24,060,079
Public Works	9,533,971	9,610,967	10,531,465	11,360,463	11,689,284	11,689,284	11,689,284
Public Education	79,151,961	83,447,886	81,890,704	93,984,306	97,370,765	97,370,765	97,370,765
Library and Recreation	2,125,292	2,111,112	2,184,460	2,364,379	2,409,669	2,409,669	2,409,669
Human Services	762,427	769,612	799,815	779,449	750,609	750,609	750,609
Town/School Shared Costs	44,380,134	47,643,669	46,436,938	52,293,153	54,969,806	54,969,806	54,969,806
TOTAL	164,877,225	173,519,537	170,999,788	193,287,787	200,157,030	200,157,031	200,064,030

Submitted by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 20 Explanation: The detailed budget presentation will be available in the Town Meeting Book and on the Town Manager's Page: <http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/365/Budget-Information>.

ARTICLE 21 - FISCAL YEAR 2026 WATER ENTERPRISE BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,836,957 of money collected from water revenues to operate the Water Enterprise Fund pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53 F ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026; or act in relation thereto.

	FY2022 BUDGETED	FY2022 EXPENDED	FY2023 BUDGETED	FY2023 EXPENDED	FY2024 BUDGETED	FY2024 EXPENDED	FY2025 BUDGETED	FY2026 DEPT REQ	FY2026 TM REC	FY2026 FIN COM REC
WATER ENTERPRISE BUDGET										
<i>Personnel Services</i>										
Full Time	\$ 1,599,119	\$ 1,476,295	\$ 1,586,758	\$ 1,442,759	\$ 1,709,563	\$ 1,433,271	\$ 1,835,786	\$ 1,877,228	\$ 1,877,228	\$ 1,877,228
Part Time	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Seasonal	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Flushing/Inspection	\$ 169,699	\$ 76,582	\$ 169,699	\$ 272,655	\$ 169,699	\$ 92,725	\$ 169,699	\$ 169,699	\$ 169,699	\$ 169,699
Overtime	\$ 318,701	\$ 297,351	\$ 318,701	\$ 39,975	\$ 318,701	\$ 318,701	\$ 318,701	\$ 318,701	\$ 318,701	\$ 318,701
Contractual Obligations	\$ 99,861	\$ 99,861	\$ 149,951	\$ 167,189	\$ 84,922	\$ 84,922	\$ 78,722	\$ 97,622	\$ 97,622	\$ 97,622
Total	\$ 2,187,380	\$ 1,950,088	\$ 2,225,109	\$ 1,922,578	\$ 2,282,885	\$ 1,929,619	\$ 2,402,908	\$ 2,463,250	\$ 2,463,250	\$ 2,463,250
<i>Expenses</i>										
Supplies and Expenses	\$ 1,226,987	\$ 1,226,877	\$ 1,350,657	\$ 1,329,810	\$ 1,593,060	\$ 1,549,839	\$ 1,677,103	\$ 1,801,351	\$ 1,801,351	\$ 1,801,351
Contract Services/Leases	\$ 678,305	\$ 678,100	\$ 714,305	\$ 741,473	\$ 787,405	\$ 685,750	\$ 938,055	\$ 1,004,430	\$ 1,004,430	\$ 1,004,430
Utilities	\$ 64,000	\$ 58,459	\$ 70,750	\$ 90,658	\$ 75,750	\$ 110,217	\$ 75,750	\$ 75,750	\$ 75,750	\$ 75,750
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Reserve	\$ 83,000		\$ 83,000		\$ 83,000		\$ 83,000	\$ 83,000	\$ 83,000	\$ 83,000
Total Expenses	\$ 2,052,292	\$ 1,963,436	\$ 2,218,712	\$ 2,161,941	\$ 2,539,215	\$ 2,345,806	\$ 2,773,908	\$ 2,964,531	\$ 2,964,531	\$ 2,964,531
<i>Debt Service</i>										
Short - Term Interest	\$ 25,000	\$ 17,035	\$ 25,000	\$ 18,143	\$ 25,000	\$ 14,643	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Long - Term Principal	\$ 2,542,216	\$ 2,542,216	\$ 2,489,902	\$ 2,489,901	\$ 2,489,902	\$ 2,501,489	\$ 1,373,016	\$ 1,148,481	\$ 1,148,481	\$ 1,148,481
Long - Term Interest	\$ 377,546	\$ 377,546	\$ 357,259	\$ 357,258	\$ 357,259	\$ 313,412	\$ 274,459	\$ 235,695	\$ 235,695	\$ 235,695
Total Debt Service	\$ 2,944,762	\$ 2,936,797	\$ 2,872,160	\$ 2,865,302	\$ 2,872,160	\$ 2,829,545	\$ 1,672,475	\$ 1,409,176	\$ 1,409,176	\$ 1,409,176
TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 7,184,434	\$ 6,850,321	\$ 7,315,982	\$ 6,949,821	\$ 7,694,260	\$ 7,104,970	\$ 6,849,291	\$ 6,836,957	\$ 6,836,957	\$ 6,836,957

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 21 Explanation: This is a Water Enterprise Budget as voted pursuant to Article 29 of the October 2015 Annual Fall Town Meeting. This budget will be funded by general tax revenue and water user fees. The line-item budget is arranged to show the actual expenditures for three prior fiscal years, the current budget and the proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year. It is summarized by Town agency, function and/or program including any proposed capital expenditures. The preceding budget, when considered by the Town Meeting shall first be subject to amendment, if any, as may be proposed by the Finance Committee. The Town Manager's detailed budget and all explanatory information are available to the Town Meeting Representatives and the General Public for inspection in the Town Manager's Office, the Public Library and the Town Clerk's Office. This information is also available in the Town Meeting Book and on the Town Manager's Page: <http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/365/Budget-Information>.

ARTICLE 22 - FISCAL YEAR 2026 SEWER ENTERPRISE BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from the tax levy, other general revenues, and money collected from wastewater revenues \$9,497,120 to operate the Sewer Enterprise Fund pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53 F ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026; or act in relation thereto.

	FY2022 BUDGETED	FY2022 EXPENDED	FY2023 BUDGETED	FY2023 EXPENDED	FY2024 BUDGETED	FY2024 EXPENDED	FY2025 BUDGETED	FY2026 DEPT REQ	FY2026 TM REC	FY2026 FIN COM REC
Wastewater Enterprise Budget										
<i>Personnel Services</i>										
Full Time	\$ 1,180,907	\$ 1,170,227	\$ 1,179,746	\$ 1,203,921	\$ 1,262,111	\$ 1,256,748	\$ 1,393,434	\$ 1,342,378	\$ 1,342,378	\$ 1,342,378
Part Time/Seasonal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Overtime	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 158,131	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000
Contractual Obligations	\$ 68,209	\$ 38,974	\$ 54,075	\$ 54,075	\$ 54,075	\$ 54,075	\$ 35,800	\$ 40,900	\$ 40,900	\$ 40,900
Total	\$ 1,419,115	\$ 1,379,201	\$ 1,403,821	\$ 1,427,996	\$ 1,486,186	\$ 1,468,954	\$ 1,599,234	\$ 1,553,278	\$ 1,553,278	\$ 1,553,278
<i>Expenses</i>										
Supplies and Expenses	\$ 764,200	\$ 669,849	\$ 1,008,040	\$ 992,959	\$ 764,200	\$ 868,619	\$ 983,400	\$ 996,324	\$ 996,324	\$ 996,324
Contract Services/Leases	\$ 1,004,265	\$ 1,004,265	\$ 1,134,450	\$ 1,192,070	\$ 1,384,450	\$ 1,443,866	\$ 1,491,450	\$ 1,561,000	\$ 1,561,000	\$ 1,561,000
Utilities	\$ 15,000	\$ 27,174	\$ 15,000	\$ 38,992	\$ 15,000	\$ 42,021	\$ 15,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000
Capital Outlay			\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Reserve	\$ 83,000		\$ 83,000		\$ 83,000		\$ 83,000	\$ 83,000	\$ 83,000	\$ 83,000
Total Expenses	\$ 1,866,465	\$ 1,701,288	\$ 2,340,490	\$ 2,224,021	\$ 2,346,650	\$ 2,354,506	\$ 2,572,850	\$ 2,855,324	\$ 2,855,324	\$ 2,855,324
<i>Debt Service</i>										
Short - Term Interest	\$ 150,000	\$ 60,175	\$ 150,000	\$ 962,496	\$ 150,000	\$ 112,478	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
Long - Term Principal	\$ 4,331,842	\$ 4,279,580	\$ 4,310,622	\$ 4,257,224	\$ 4,310,622	\$ 4,162,375	\$ 4,276,705	\$ 4,063,756	\$ 4,063,756	\$ 4,063,756
Long - Term Interest	\$ 1,060,947	\$ 1,028,882	\$ 1,055,732	\$ 1,036,792	\$ 1,055,732	\$ 1,044,726	\$ 959,814	\$ 874,763	\$ 874,763	\$ 874,763
Total Debt Service	\$ 5,542,789	\$ 5,368,637	\$ 5,516,354	\$ 6,256,512	\$ 5,516,354	\$ 5,319,580	\$ 5,386,519	\$ 5,088,519	\$ 5,088,519	\$ 5,088,519
TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 8,828,369	\$ 8,449,126	\$ 9,260,665	\$ 9,908,529	\$ 9,349,190	\$ 9,143,040	\$ 9,558,603	\$ 9,497,120	\$ 9,497,120	\$ 9,497,120

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 22 Explanation: This is a Wastewater Enterprise Budget as voted pursuant to Article 30 of the October 2015 Annual Fall Town Meeting. This budget will be funded by general tax revenue and water user fees. The line-item budget is arranged to show the actual expenditures for three prior years, the current budget and the proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year. It is summarized by Town agency, function and/or program including any proposed capital expenditures. The preceding budget, when considered by the Town Meeting shall first be subject to amendment, if any, as may be proposed by the Finance Committee. The Town Manager's detailed budget and all explanatory information are available to the Town Meeting Representatives and the general public for inspection in the Town Manager's Office, the Public Library and the Town Clerk's Office. This information is also available in the Town Meeting Book and on the Town Manager's Page: <http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/365/Budget-Information>.

ARTICLE 23 - TO ALLOW THE TOWN MANAGER AND FINANCE COMMITTEE TO TRANSFER FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Town Manager, upon request of a Department Head, Board or Commission, to make a transfer of funds between budget line items not-to-exceed a difference of \$5,000 from the amount voted at Town Meeting per line item for Fiscal Year 2026, with the exclusion of travel accounts, within the same department. Transfers within department line items in-excess-of \$5,000 for Fiscal Year 2026 must be approved by the Finance Committee. A written report from the Town Manager on all transfers of \$5,000 and under must be provided to the Finance Committee on the first Tuesday of each month; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 23 Explanation: This article gives the Town Manager the authority to transfer funds between budget line items within a particular department, not-to-exceed \$5,000 per fiscal year. If the amount exceeds \$5,000, the article gives the authority to make such a transfer with the Finance Committee's approval.

ARTICLE 24 - TO AUTHORIZE DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Subsection 53E1/2, as most recently amended, to set Fiscal Year 2026 spending limits for revolving funds as follows:

<u>REVOLVING FUND</u>	<u>FY 2025 SPENDING LIMIT</u>
Animal Control	\$5,000
Inspectional Service Emergency Overtime	\$10,000
Wetlands By-Law	\$30,000
C.O.A. Programs	\$100,000
BEAM Program	\$2,000,000
Respite Care	\$120,000
Flu Shot Program	\$50,000

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board and School Committee

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 24 Explanation: Revolving Funds are allowed under M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ and must be established by By-Law. Under the statute, as most recently amended, Town Meeting must authorize the funding limit of Revolving Funds each year.

ARTICLE 25 - TO FUND PEG ACCESS CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$218,916.88 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund to be provided to BATV for support of PEG Access Cable Television Services; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 25 Explanation: Mass General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F ¾ requires that PEG Access Funds need to be appropriated at Town Meeting. The Town created the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund as part of Article 35 at the May 2019 Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 26 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN**ARTICLE 27 - COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE BUDGET AND PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve the sum of \$1,150,000 from Community Preservation Fund annual revenues for committee administrative expenses and special purpose fund balances as follows:

Appropriations:	Administrative Budget	\$ 55,000
	Debt Service Budget	\$ 965,597
Reserves:	Community Housing Special Fund Balance	\$ 129,403
	Historic Preservation Special Fund Balance	\$ 0
	Open Space and Recreation Special Fund Balance	\$ 0
	Unreserved Fund Balance	\$ 0

And further, to determine whether the Town will vote to transfer from the Community Preservation Fund or otherwise fund for community preservation purposes the sum of \$25,855 shown below for the referenced projects; and, in connection therewith, to authorize the Select Board to acquire any interests in land that may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this vote, or to grant any interests in land as may be necessary to comply with M.G.L. Chapter 44B; and further, to authorize the Select Board to execute any documents or instruments necessary to effectuate the purpose of this article; all in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B or other applicable law; with sums appropriated hereunder to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager:

<u>Open Space and Recreation</u>		
Project	Funding Source	Amount
VVP Bocce Court	Special Purpose Fund Balance / Undesignated Fund Balance	\$5,000
Middlesex Equestrian Park	Undesignated Fund Balance	\$3,775
VVP Disc Golf Course Conservation Mitigation	Undesignated Fund Balance	\$7,080
Conservation Fund	Undesignated Fund Balance	\$10,000
	Total Open Space and Recreation	\$25,855
<u>Historic Preservation</u>		
Project	Funding Source	Amount
<u>Community Housing</u>		
Project	Funding Source	Amount
	TOTAL	\$25,855

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 27 Explanation: This article is to appropriate money towards the above CPC projects, debt service, and administrative budget.

ARTICLE 28 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN

ARTICLE 29 - TO FUND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE LEXINGTON ROAD / GLAD VALLEY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$90,000 from General Fund Free Cash and transfer, appropriate, and re-purpose \$60,000 that was previously appropriated at the 2024 Annual Fall Town Meeting, Article 16 to fund the One-Time-Start-Up-Cost for the Town Website, a total combined appropriation of \$150,000, for Construction Services associated with the Lexington Road / Glad Valley Intersection Improvements Project and to be spent under the direction of the Town Manager and in conjunction DPW Director; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 29 Explanation: This article proposes to appropriate money from this source to fund construction services for the project. This TIP project will be advertised for construction in April 2025, and the construction period is approximately 2 years. Construction will be overseen by MassDOT, but the Town will need to provide construction support.

The Town website free cash appropriation is no longer needed as ARAP Funds were used to cover the cost.

ARTICLE 30 - TO FUND THE ENTRY, CLEANING AND LINING OF THE DIESEL FUEL TANK FOR THE TOWN FLEET

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate \$80,000 from General Fund Free Cash for the entry, cleaning, lining, engineering services, and any other services related to the completion of the Diesel Fuel Storage Tank Project for the Town Fleet and to be spent under the direction of the Town Manager and in conjunction with the DPW Director; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 30 Explanation: This article seeks approval for funding to carry out maintenance and protective treatment of the Diesel Fuel Storage Tank. The proposed work includes pressure washing, evacuation, waste disposal, interior cleaning, ultrasonic thickness testing and the application of an epoxy resin coating to the entire interior surface of the tank.

ARTICLE 31 - TO FUND THE UPDATE AND CALIBRATION OF THE TOWN'S SANITARY SEWER MODEL

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 from Wastewater Retained Earnings to fund the update, calibration, engineering services, and any other services related to the completion of the Town's Sanitary Sewer Model, including any costs incidental or related thereto to be spent under the direction of the Town Manager and in conjunction with the DPW Director; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 31 Explanation: This article proposes to approve funding for the Sanitary Sewer Model to ensure the model accurately reflects current conditions and provides insights into future performance and expansion.

ARTICLE 32 - TO FUND COST OVER-RUNS ON THE PURCHASE OF A NEW AMBULANCE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from General Fund Free Cash the sum of \$132,000 for cost over-runs on the purchase of a new ambulance to be spent under the direction of the Town Manager; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 32 Explanation:

In FY 2022 - The Town appropriated \$275,000 for ambulance purchase - which came in at \$352,698 due to cost increases related to supply chain.

In FY 2023 - The Town appropriated \$350,000 for ambulance purchase - which came in at \$400,340 due to cost increases related to supply chain.

Requiring additional funding of \$132,000 to close the deficit.

ARTICLE 33 - TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECT BOARD TO ACCEPT ROADS AS PUBLIC WAYS

To see if the Town will vote to accept the following listed roads as public ways in accordance with the layouts adopted by the Select Board and on file with the Town Clerk; and to authorize the Select Board to acquire by gift, purchase, or eminent domain, such interests in land as are necessary to provide for the use and maintenance of said ways for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Billerica; and further, to authorize the Select Board to execute any documents or instruments necessary to effectuate the purpose of this article; or act in relation thereto.

Apollo Avenue, from dead end to dead end, approximate length 845' and 30' width right of way, as depicted on the plan entitled '*Apollo Avenue, Billerica Massachusetts - Street Layout and Acceptance Plan Prepared for the Town of Billerica*', dated April 11, 2025, prepared by GCG Associates, Inc. (Engineering Division Plan B-5-213, Sheet 1)

Ipswich Street, from Oak Street to dead end, approximate length 240' and 40' width right of way, as depicted on the plan entitled '*Ipswich Street, Billerica, Massachusetts - Street Layout and Acceptance Plan Prepared for the Town of Billerica*', dated February 4, 2025, prepared by Merrimack Engineering Services (Engineering Division Plan B-5-214, Sheet 1)

MacDougall Street, from Pines Road to Dustin Young Lane, approximate length 1,240' and 40' width right of way, as depicted on the plan entitled '*MacDougall Street, Billerica Massachusetts - Street Layout and Acceptance Plan Prepared for the Town of Billerica*', dated April 4, 2025, prepared by GCG Associates, Inc. (Engineering Division Plan B-5-215, Sheet 1)

McGinness Way, from Pines Road to cul-de-sac, approximate length 2,230' and 40' width right of way, as depicted on the plan entitled '*McGinness Way, Billerica, Massachusetts - Street Layout and Acceptance Plan Prepared for the Town of Billerica*', dated February 4, 2025, prepared by Merrimack Engineering Services (Engineering Division Plan B-5-216, Sheets 1 through 5)

Monson Street, from Lake Street to dead end, approximate length 450' and 40' width right of way, as depicted on the plan entitled '*Monson Street, Billerica, Massachusetts - Street Layout and Acceptance Plan Prepared for the Town of Billerica*', dated February 4, 2025, prepared by Merrimack Engineering Services (Engineering Division Plan B-5-217, Sheet 1)

Shelburne Avenue, from Connolly Road to dead end, approximate length 1,355' and 40' width right of way, as depicted on the plan entitled '*Shelburne Street, Billerica Massachusetts - Street Layout and Acceptance Plan Prepared for the Town of Billerica*', dated April 4, 2025, prepared by GCG Associates, Inc. (Engineering Division Plan B-5-218 Sheet 1)

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 33 Explanation: The Town is committed to continuing the acceptance of previously unaccepted roadways. This list of roads was developed from citizen petitions.

ARTICLE 34 - TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECT BOARD TO ACQUIRE EASEMENTS ON PARCELS: 58-2-1-3-2, 58-2-1-3-3, 58-2-1-3-4, & 66-40-0

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain taking, interests in land abutting Treble Cove Road to provide for the location of new sidewalk, and further, to authorize the Select Board to execute such documents and enter into such agreements as it deems in the best interest of the Town in the furtherance of the objectives of this article; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 34 Explanation: This Article proposes to allow the Select Board to acquire easements for the new sidewalk along the frontage of these parcels (315, 317, 319, 331 & 333 Treble Cove Road). Portions of the sidewalk either have already been or will be built on private property, requiring easements to be obtained by the Town. Construction of sidewalks along the frontage of these properties was a requirement of the Site Plan Special Permits issued by the Planning Board for 315, 317, 319 Treble Cove Road (Treble Cove Research Park) and & 331 Treble Cove Road (Lantheus Building 110 Improvements).

ARTICLE 35 - TO COMPLY WITH ARTICLE 97 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE YANKEE DOODLE BIKE PATH

To see if the Town will vote

- (1) To transfer the care, custody, management, and control of certain portions of land in Billerica, subject to enactment of a special act of the Commonwealth, from the Conservation Commission to the Select Board, for recreational purposes, to support the bike path construction project being undertaken by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Town of Billerica as identified as those portions of Billerica land depicted as “permanent dedications” as shown on a plan entitled “Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division Plan and Profile of Yankee Doodle Bike Path in the Town of Billerica, Middlesex County, Preliminary Right of Way Plans” identified on said plan as:

<u>Permanent Dedications</u>	<u>Square Footage</u>
E-23	55,089 sq. ft.
FP-9	6,308 sq. ft.
PUE-5	104 sq. ft.

- (2) To authorize the Billerica Conservation Commission, to grant temporary construction areas for construction use by the Commonwealth and the Town, provided that the Commonwealth and the Town return such land upon completion of the bike path construction project free of easements, cleaned, restored, and in their original natural condition, such land being described as follows:

<u>Temporary Construction Areas</u>	<u>Square Footage</u>
TCA-1	12,110 sq. ft.
TCA-2	985 sq. ft.
TCA-3	17,362 sq. ft.
TCA-4	5,784 sq. ft.
TCA-5	3,904 sq. ft.
TCA-6	156 sq. ft.
TCA-7	3,208 sq. ft.
TCA-8	659 sq. ft.
TCA-9	699 sq. ft.
TCA-10	2,471 sq. ft.

- (3) To authorize the Select Board to request the Town's representatives in the General Court to introduce legislation to authorize the Town to transfer the care, custody, management, and control of certain land subject to Article 97 of the Amendments of the Constitution of the Commonwealth from the Conservation Commission to the Select Board in order to support the bike path construction project and further to authorize the Select Board and the General Court to make constructive changes in perfecting the language of this legislation in order to secure passage, it being the intent to authorize the Select Board and the General Court to vary the specific text of the legislation consistent with the scope of the general objectives of this home rule petition, such legislation to read substantially as follows:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BILLERICA TRANSFER CONTROL OF CERTAIN LAND OF THE TOWN SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF BILLERICA FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING THE YANKEE DOODLE BIKE PATH

SECTION 1. Pursuant to chapter 3 § 5A of the general laws of the Commonwealth, notwithstanding the provisions of any other general or special law to the contrary, the conservation commission of the town of Billerica may transfer to the select board of the town of Billerica, for recreational purposes and subject to article 97 of the amendments of the constitution of the Commonwealth, certain land being shown as "E-23", "FP-9" and "PUE-5" on a plan of land titled "Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division Plan and Profile of Yankee Doodle Bike Path in the Town of Billerica, Middlesex County, Preliminary Right of Way Plans" being a portion of those parcels owned by the Town of Billerica and described in the Assessor's records of the Town of Billerica as Parcel ID: 78-282-1-1, Parcel ID: 87-258-1 & Parcel ID: 87-249-2.

SECTION. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article Explanation 35: This article authorizes the Town to move forward with the Article 97 process. The Bike Path will need temporary construction areas and permanent dedications through existing conservation land to construct the Bike Path.

ARTICLE 36 - TO VOTE TO GRANT AND CONVEY AN EASEMENT AT 121 LEXINGTON ROAD

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to grant and convey to Massachusetts Electric Company on such terms and conditions as the Select Board deems appropriate, permanent utility easements in a portion or portions of Town-owned property, said property being the site of the new Recreation Center located at 121 Lexington Road, Billerica and described in a plan of land recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Book 86, Plan 96, which portion or portions are approximately shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk; and further to authorize the Select Board to enter into such agreements and execute such documents and instruments as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 36 Explanation: This article authorizes the Town to convey a utility easement to allow electricity at the site of the new Recreation Center.

ARTICLE 37 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN

ARTICLE 38 - TO AUTHORIZE REMOTE PARTICIPATION AT FALL, SPRING AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to request a Home Rule Petition from the General Court to allow fully remote and hybrid participation at all Fall, Spring and Special Town Meetings with language substantially in the form of the draft bill below.

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding Chapter 39 of the General Laws, or any general or special law or charter provision to the contrary, the Town of Billerica may hold Annual and Special Town Meetings with voters located in a common, physical location, fully remote or partially remote, to be known as a Hybrid Town Meeting.

SECTION 2. All actions taken at a Remote or Hybrid Town Meeting held in accordance with this act shall be ratified, validated and confirmed to the same extent as if the Town Meeting had been conducted entirely in person.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect at the 2026 annual Spring Town Meeting.

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee has not made final recommendation.

Article 38 Explanation: This article would allow the Town of Billerica to have hybrid Town Meetings.

**ARTICLE 39 - TO VOTE TO AMEND THE TOWN OF BILLERICA GENERAL BY-LAWS
AND TO CREATE A RIGHT TO FARM GENERAL BY-LAW****BILLERICA RIGHT TO FARM GENERAL BY-LAW****Section 1 Legislative Purpose and Intent**

The purpose and intent of this By-Law is to state with emphasis the Right to Farm accorded to all citizens of the Commonwealth under Article 97, of the Constitution, and all state statutes and regulations thereunder including but not limited to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 3, Paragraph 1; Chapter 90, Section 9, Chapter 61, 61A and 61B, et seq., Chapter 111, Section 125A and Chapter 128 Section 1A.

We the citizens of Billerica restate and republish these rights pursuant to the Town's authority conferred by Article 89 of the Articles of Amendment of the Massachusetts Constitution, ("Home Rule Amendment").

This By-Law does not seek to change these State laws, but to bring them together into one local By-Law to enhance local understanding of "the right to farm."

This General By-Law encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmlands within the Town of Billerica by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town agencies. This By-Law shall apply to all jurisdictional areas within the Town.

Section 2 Definitions

The word "farm" shall include any parcel or contiguous parcels of land, or water bodies used for the primary purpose of commercial agriculture, or accessory thereto.

The word "farm" shall include any parcel or contiguous parcels of land used for the primary purpose of agriculture as defined by the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth definition is at present that of Chapter 61A: a farm must contain at least five acres and have annual revenues of at least \$500.

The words "farming" or "agriculture" or their derivatives shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- farming in all its branches and the cultivation and tillage of the soil;
- dairying;
- production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of any agricultural, aquacultural, floricultural, viticultural, or horticultural commodities;
- growing and harvesting of forest products upon forest land, and any other forestry or lumbering operations;
- raising of livestock including horses;

- keeping of horses as a commercial enterprise; and
- keeping and raising of poultry, swine, cattle, ratites (such as emus, ostriches and rheas) and camelids (such as llamas and camels), and other domesticated animals for food and other agricultural purposes, including bees and fur-bearing animals.

“Farming” shall encompass activities including, but not limited to, the following:

- operation and transportation of slow-moving farm equipment over roads within the Town;
- control of pests, including, but not limited to, insects, weeds, predators and disease organism of plants and animals;
- application of manure, fertilizers and pesticides;
- conducting agriculture-related educational and farm-based recreational activities, including agri-tourism, provided that the activities are related to marketing the agricultural output or services of the farm;
- processing and packaging of the agricultural output of the farm and the operation of a farmer's market or farm stand including signage thereto;
- maintenance, repair, or storage of seasonal equipment, or apparatus owned or leased by the farm owner or manager used expressly for the purpose of propagation, processing, management, or sale of the agricultural products; and
- on-farm relocation of earth and the clearing of ground for farming operations.

Section 3 Right To Farm Declaration

The Right to Farm is hereby recognized to exist within the Town of Billerica. The above-described agricultural activities may occur on holidays, weekdays, and weekends by night or day and shall include the attendant incidental noise, odors, dust, and fumes associated with normally accepted agricultural practices. It is hereby determined that whatever impact may be caused to others through the normal practice of agriculture is more than offset by the benefits of farming to the neighborhood, community, and society in general. The benefits and protections of this By-Law are intended to apply exclusively to those commercial agricultural and farming operations and activities conducted in accordance with generally accepted agricultural practices. Moreover, nothing in this Right To Farm By-Law shall be deemed as acquiring any interest in land, or as imposing any land use regulation, which is properly the subject of state statute, regulation, or local zoning law.

Section 4 Resolution of Disputes

The foregoing agricultural activities must be in conformance with applicable Federal, State laws, and local rules and regulations, to which reference is made as to more specific rights and obligations of the agricultural community and the Town.

The provisions of this By-Law shall not apply whenever an impact results from willful negligence or reckless misconduct in the operation of any such agricultural or farming operation, place, establishment or facility, or any of its appurtenances.

The following procedure is hereby encouraged to enhance early and effective resolution of farm related issues:

Any person who seeks to complain about the operation of a farm may, notwithstanding pursuing any other available remedy, file a grievance with the Select Board, the Zoning Enforcement Officer, or the Board of Health, depending upon the nature of the grievance. The filing of the grievance does not suspend the time within which to pursue any other available remedies that the aggrieved may have. The Zoning Enforcement Officer or Select Board may forward a copy of the grievance to the Agricultural Commission or its agent, which shall review and facilitate the resolution of the grievance and report its recommendations to the referring Town authority within an agreed upon time frame.

The Board of Health, except in cases of imminent danger or public health risk, may forward a copy of the grievance to the Agricultural Commission or its agent, which shall review and facilitate the resolution of the grievance, and report its recommendations to the Board of Health within an agreed upon time frame.

Section 5 Severability Clause

If any part of this By-Law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such a decision shall not affect the remainder of this By-Law. The Town of Billerica hereby declares the provisions of this By-Law to be severable.

Submitted by Select Board Vice Chairman Dina Favreau

Finance Committee does not recommend.

Article 39 Explanation: A Right-to-Farm By-Law is a General By-Law that encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmlands within the community by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town agencies.

**ARTICLE 40 - TO AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF STATE STATUTE M.G.L.
CHAPTER 59, SECTION 5, CLAUSE 22(I)**

To see if the town will vote to accept General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 22I, which authorizes an annual increase in the amount of the exemption granted under General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 22, Clause 22A, Clause 22B, Clause 22C, Clause 22E and Clause 22F by the percentage increase in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the previous year as determined by the Commissioner of Revenue, to be effective for applicable exemptions granted for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2025, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by Select Board Secretary Michael Rosa

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 40 Explanation: Clause 22I, introduced under the HERO Act, enables municipalities to adjust veteran tax abatements annually in response to changes in the cost of living. This adjustment is linked to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), ensuring that the value of tax abatements keeps pace with inflation. Clause 22I, if accepted, would increase the amount of the tax exemption granted to veterans on their domiciles under Clause 22(a-f) annually by a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) determined by the Department of Revenue (DOR) based on the consumer price index (CPI).

- In FY2024, 299 veterans received property tax abatements under Clauses 22(a-f), totaling \$239,200. The state reimbursed \$67,275 of this amount, equating to approximately 28.1% reimbursement.
- In FY2025, 302 veterans are projected to receive abatements totaling \$241,600, with the state reimbursing \$67,950, equating to approximately 28.1% reimbursement.

Considering the adoption of Clause 22I and an estimated CPI increase of 2.9% for FY2026, we can project the following:

- The total property tax abatements for veterans could rise by 2.9%, resulting in an estimated additional \$7,006.40, bringing the total to approximately \$248,606.40.
- Assuming this, the reimbursement could be around \$69,867.

ARTICLE 41 - TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, SECTIONS 6.1 AND 6.2 OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET; SUBMISSION TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Billerica General By-Law, Article 1, Section 6, Proposed Budget as follows, with underlined language inserted therein:

ARTICLE 1 SECTION 6**6. PROPOSED BUDGET: SUBMISSION TO FINANCE COMMITTEE**

6.1 At least sixty (60) days before the Town Meeting is scheduled to meet in its Spring session, the Town Manager shall file with the Finance Committee and provide for publication of a proposed detailed and ratified by the Select Board of Selectmen operating budget for the ensuing fiscal year, as provided for in Section 5-3 of the Charter. The proposed budget shall also be posted on the Town's website. Any defect in the posting of the proposed budget on the Town's website shall not invalidate the notice requirements of this By-Law.

The proposed budget shall include:

- (a) Proposed expenditures for current operations during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by town agency, function and work programs, and the proposed methods of financing such expenditures;
- (b) Proposed capital expenditures during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by town agency, and the proposed method of financing each such capital expenditure;
- (c) Estimated surplus revenue and free cash at the end of the current fiscal year, including estimated balances in any special accounts established for specific purposes.

6.2 At least sixty-five (65) days before Town Meeting is scheduled to meet in its Spring session, the School Superintendent shall file with the Town Manager and provide for publication of a proposed, detailed operating and capital plan for the ensuing fiscal year.

The budget shall be arranged to show the actual and estimated income and expenditures for the previous, current and ensuing fiscal years, and shall indicate, in separate sections:

- (a) Proposed expenditures for current operations during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by location and function.

(b) Proposed capital expenditures during the ensuing fiscal year, detailed by location and the proposed method of financing each such capital expenditure.

(c) School population projections

Notwithstanding the said date for formal submission, the Town Manager may, insofar as it is practical to do so, submit preliminary information and data to the Finance Committee in advance of such date, in order to assist it in the performance of its duties. The proposed school budget shall also be posted on the Town's website. Any defect in the posting of the proposed school budget on the Town's website shall not invalidate the notice requirements of this By-Law.

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by Select Board Secretary Michael Rosa

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 41 Explanation: With the departure of the last two Town Managers, the Select Board has proposed this article to ensure the Budget process will continue to be conducted as it has been for well over the last decade. This article ensures that the process the Town has followed will continue to be followed by the Town as well as the School Department. In addition this article formalizes the submittal of the Capital Plan as part of the Budget process for both Town and School Departments.

ARTICLE 42 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN

ARTICLE 43 - TO VOTE TO ACCEPT STATE STATUE CHAPTER 59, SECTION 5, CLAUSE 5C

To see if the Town will vote to accept State statue Chapter 59 Section 5, Clause 5C to Exempt property taxes for incorporated Veterans' organization to extent of \$1,500,000; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Select Board Secretary Michael Rosa

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 43 Explanation: In 2006 the Town voted to exempt up to \$700,000 through Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 5B. The law has been amended and the allowable amount for exemption raised from \$700,000 to \$1,500,000. With this article the Town will be increasing the exemption for our incorporated Veterans organizations up to \$1,500,000.

ARTICLE 44 - TO VOTE TO AMEND THE ZONING BY-LAWS SECTION 4. ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. SUBSECTION B DETERMINING ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES 5.(D) FEDERAL MAPS

To Vote to amend the following text in *SECTION 4 ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, B. DETERMINING ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES*, 5. d. *Federal Maps*.

~~Any land shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), community panel number 250183-0001, with an effective date of August 5, 1985, prepared by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Federal Insurance Administration. This map shall be used to meet the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program. In all cases, the reference map that delineates the highest flood elevation shall supersede all others. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Conservation Commission, the Board of Health, or both, from making non-zoning determinations of the flood plain in order to perform its required duties.~~

The Floodplain District is herein established as an overlay district. The District includes all special flood hazard areas within Billerica designated as Zone A, or AE on the Middlesex County Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) dated July 8, 2025 issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The exact boundaries of the District shall be defined by the 1%-chance base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Middlesex County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated July 8, 2025. The FIRM and FIS report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Clerk, Planning Board, Building Official, Conservation Commission and Board of Health. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Conservation Commission, the Board of Health, or both, from making non-zoning determinations of the flood plain in order to perform its required duties.

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Town Manager; authorized by the Select Board

Finance Committee has not made final recommendation.

Article 44 Explanation: Flood Maps have been updated by FEMA. This article makes updates to the new effective map dates and other changes as proposed by the State.

ARTICLE 45 - TO VOTE TO DELETE AND REPLACE THE ZONING BY-LAW (COMMONLY KNOW AS ZONING RECODIFICATION)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by replacing the current By-Law on file with the Town Clerk's Office dated October 2022 with the Zoning By-Law and Appendices A and B as follows:

1. *Reorganizing, repositioning, recaptioning, and renumbering sections of the Zoning By-Law to enhance accessibility and adaptability;*
2. *Updating and clarifying the purposes and authority of the Zoning By-Law to clearly state the basis for the Town's zoning regulations;*
3. *Improving definitions to more clearly describe zoning districts, uses, and requirements;*
4. *Providing consistency with current State law;*
5. *Eliminating redundant or unnecessary provisions; making amendments such as correcting spelling and typographical errors, and eliminating or updating outdated statutory references;*
6. *Revising, reorganizing and clarifying Zoning By-Law administrative provisions; and*
7. *Removing districts from the Zoning By-Law that have not been added to the Zoning Map.*

And further, by taking the following actions:

1. *Deleting in their entirety the following provisions and all their subparts of the existing Zoning By-Law:*

Section 1: Enactment, Purpose, and Objectives

Section 2: Definitions

Section 3: Establishment of Districts

Section 4: Zoning District Boundaries

Section 5: Regulation of Uses, Buildings, and Structures

Section 6: Site Plan Approval

Section 7: Dimensional Regulations

Section 8: Parking and Loading Regulations

Section 9: Signs and Lighting

Section 10: Non-conforming Uses, Buildings, and Structures

Section 11: Zoning Board of Appeals

Section 12: Special Permit Granting Authority

Section 13: Special Permits

Section 14: Variances

Section 15: Administrative Appeals

Section 16: Administration and Enforcement

Section 17: Zoning Amendments

Section 18: Severability

Section 19: Effective Date

2. *Substituting the following provisions and their subparts in the zoning article submitted by the Planning Board on file in the office of the Town Clerk and the Department of Planning and Community Development:*

Section 1: Purposes and Authority

Section 2: Definitions

Section 3: Administration and Enforcement

Section 4: Land Use Boards and Permits

Section 5: Districts

Section 6: Use Regulations

Section 7: Required Findings for Special Permit Uses

Section 8: Dimensional Regulations

Section 9: Nonconforming Uses and Structures

Section 10: General Regulations

Section 11: Overlay Districts

Section 12: Special Districts

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Article 45 Explanation: Frequent complaints about the clarity and user-friendliness of the current zoning By-Law led to an audit of the document in 2022/2023. The audit identified several issues and recommended the Town take on this recodification in order to fix technical issues such as organization, numbering, definitions and inconsistencies before attempting to amend any policy issues in the future, such as aligning policies with town goals, honoring existing neighborhood characteristics or being competitive in the regional economy. Digital copies of this article can also be found at www.town.billerica.ma.us/ZoningRecod

ARTICLE 46 - THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN

ARTICLE 47 - PETITIONER ARTICLE (A TOWN-WIDE BAN ON THE USE OF SECOND-GENERATION ANTICOAGULANT RODENTICIDES)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to petition the General Court for special legislation substantially in the form below:

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding Chapter 132B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the Town of Billerica may by By-Law prohibit or restrict the application of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides within the Town of Billerica, including the application of such pesticides by licensed commercial applicators as defined in 333 C.M.R. 10.00.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by James Perry Reef and Messrs. Damon, Darris-O'Connor, Tribou and Clark and Madame's Henderson, Leach, Bradley, Kneeland and Doherty.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 48 - PETITIONER ARTICLE (A BAN ON THE MUNICIPAL USE OF SECOND-GENERATION ANTICOAGULANT RODENTICIDES)

To see if the Town will vote to ban the use of Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides, or SGARs, at properties under the care and control of the Town of Billerica; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by James Perry Reef and Messrs. Damon, Darris-O'Connor, Tribou and Clark and Madame's Henderson, Leach, Bradley, Kneeland, Learned and Doherty.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 49 - ESTABLISHING A TREE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION BY-LAW

To see if the Town will vote to create a short-term standing committee to be called the Local Ordinance for Resilient Arboreal Xenodochy (L.O.R.A.X.) Committee.

1. It shall be the duty of the Local Ordinance for Resilient Arboreal Xenodochy (L.O.R.A.X.) Committee to create a Tree Protection and Preservation Bylaw for submission to the 2025 Annual Fall Town Meeting and, after successful passage, determine if any amendments or revisions may be necessary or desirable going forward.
2. The L.O.R.A.X. Committee shall consist of five (5) members. Three (3) shall be appointed by the Town Moderator. One resident (1) shall be appointed by the Conservation Commission. One resident (1) shall be appointed by the Planning Board. Each will be appointed for a term of three (3) years.
3. The Tree Warden shall serve as an additional, ex officio non-voting member.
4. Each voting member shall be a registered voter of the Town and need not be a member of their respective appointment committees.

FURTHER, we resolve that the L.O.R.A.X. Committee, consider the following as non-binding recommendations:

1. That the committee consider the bylaws passed by other communities as templates for a Tree Protection & Preservation Bylaw for Billerica;
2. The Tree Protection & Preservation Bylaw only applies to trees that are six (6) inches in diameter or greater and located within a lot's setback area as defined by the Town of Billerica's Zoning Bylaws;
3. The Tree Protection & Preservation Bylaw will prohibit the removal of Protected Trees during construction, or within fifteen (15) months of an application for a demolition or building permit for: (a) demolition of an existing structure of 250 gross square feet or greater, (b) construction of any building or structure on a vacant lot, or (c) construction of one or more structures or additions to structures on a lot that increases the Gross Floor Area by 50% or greater, excluding basements, open or screened porches, and decks;
4. The Tree Protection & Preservation Bylaw will provide an option, if it is not practical to save a Protected Tree, for the owner or developer to remove it and plant new trees

elsewhere, or pay into a tree fund, which the Town will use to buy and plant trees in residential neighborhoods;

5. The Tree Protection & Preservation Bylaw will not apply to the subdivision of land under the Town's Subdivision Rules and Regulations, those areas of a property under the jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act, public shade trees pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 87, emergency projects necessary for public safety, health, and welfare, trees severely damaged as the direct result of a natural disaster, trees that are hazardous, or trees currently infected by a disease or insect infestation of a permanent nature;
6. The Tree Protection & Preservation Bylaw will require that mitigation be based upon the DBH (diameter at breast height) of Protected Tree(s) removed. For each inch of DBH of the Protected Tree(s) removed, no less than one half (1/2) inch caliper of a new native tree(s) shall be replanted with each new tree having a minimum caliper of two (2) inches. If the Protected Tree to be removed is an overstory tree species, the replacement tree(s) to mitigate the removal shall be a native overstory tree species; or act in relation thereto.

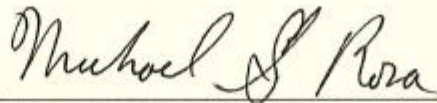
Submitted by James Perry Reef and Messrs. Damon, Darris-O'Connor, Tribou and Clark and Madame's Henderson, Leach, Bradley, Kneeland, Learned and Doherty.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

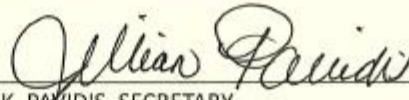
And you are hereby directed to serve this Final Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof, one copy at Augusta Market, 599 Boston Road, one copy at Belly Buster Restaurant, 306 Boston Road, one copy at the Billerica Center Police Station, 6 Good Street, one copy at the Billerica Center Post Office, 460 Boston Road, one copy at the Billerica Public Library, 15 Concord Road, one copy at the Billerica Town Hall, 365 Boston Road, one copy at the East Billerica Fire Station, 295 Salem Road, one copy at Market Basket, Towne Plaza, 700 Boston Road, one copy at the Ninety-Nine Restaurant, 160 Lexington Road, one copy at the North Billerica Fire Station, 21 Lowell Street, one copy at the North Billerica Post Office, 95 Boston Road, one copy at the Nutting Lake Post Office, 612 Middlesex Turnpike, one copy at the Pinehurst Fire Station, 832 Boston Road, one copy at the Pinehurst Post Office, 880 Boston Road, one copy at Sal's Pizza, 328 Boston Road, one copy at Stelio's Family Restaurant, 293 Boston Road and one copy at the West Billerica Fire Station, 359 Treble Cove Road.

Given under our hands this 29th day of April 2025.

SELECT BOARD OF BILLERICA



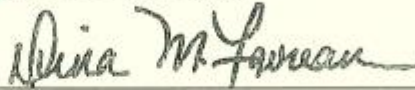
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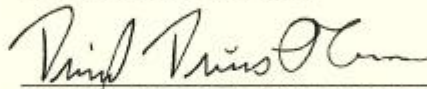
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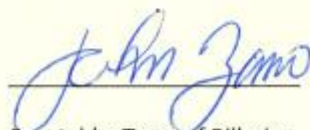


DINA M. FAVREAU, MEMBER



DANIEL R. DARRIS-O'CONNOR, MEMBER

A true copy attest



Constable, Town of Billerica