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Marion Bonoldi, Town Clerk
Town of Medfield
459 Main Street
Medfield, MA 02052

Re: Medfield Annual Town Meeting of May 6, 2024 -- Case # 11389
Warrant Articles # 31, 32, and 33 (Zoning)
Warrant Articles # 5, 6, 7, 9, and 29 (General)

Dear Ms. Bonoldi:

Articles 5, 6, 7, 29, 32, and 33 – We approve Articles 5, 6, 7, 29, 32, and 33 adopted at the Medfield May 6, 2024 Annual Town Meeting.

Article 31 – We will issue our decision on Article 31 on or before our deadline of August 19, 2024.

Article 9 – Under Article 9 the Town voted to set the spending limits for the Town's revolving funds during fiscal year 2025. We take no action on Article 9's vote to set the spending limits for the Town's revolving funds because Article 9 is not a vote to amend the Town's by-laws and it is therefore not subject to review and approval by this Office. See G.L. c. 40, § 32 (the Attorney General is required to review Town by-laws for consistency with state law.). The spending limits are not part of the Town's existing Chapter 117, "Revolving Funds," rather the by-law states that the spending limits will be set each year by Town Meeting vote for the following fiscal year. See Section 117-2 (C), "Expenditure limitations." For this reason, we take no action on Article 9.

Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute.

Very truly yours,

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