



FAIRHAVEN SELECT BOARD

Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2026

FAIRHAVEN TOWN CLERK
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Present: Charles Murphy Sr., Andrew Romano, Natalie A. Mello, Keith Silvia, Andrew Saunders and Keith R. Hickey

Mr. Murphy opened the Select Board meeting at 6:30pm

A moment of silence was observed to reflect on recent events that have affected communities across our nation and beyond. We pause to acknowledge those who have experienced loss, hardship, or uncertainty, and to keep them in our thoughts.

PUBLIC HEARING – 6:30P.M.

Mr. Murphy opened the Public Hearing at 6:33pm and read the notice. Application to expand the number of vehicles at car dealer/repair Artistic Auto Body, Inc. located at 98 Middle St., submitted by Mr. Rui Da Silva. He is requesting to increase the number of vehicles from 2 to 40. The Building Commissioner, Richard Forand, has inspected the property and reviewed plans for compliance.

Mr. Silvia recused himself and exited at 6:34pm

Mr. DaSilva addressed the Board. The Board asked clarifying questions about the application, zoning, address details, the spelling of Mr. DaSilva's name, the plans that were submitted and number of spots visible in the plans versus the number to he is looking to expand to. Based on the Board's concerns Mr. Hickey asked Mr. DaSilva his preference to move forward with application as is, continue the public hearing to May 11, 2026 or have the Board vote contingent upon verification of current zoning by the Building Commissioner.

Mr. Murphy added that he has no conflict to recuse himself under on this item.

No public comments received.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to keep the hearing open and continue the Public Hearing to May 11, 2026 at 6:30pm. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed (4-0-1) Mr. Silvia recused.

Mr. Silvia returned at 6:52pm

APPOINTMENTS / COMMUNITY ITEMS

Public Safety Complex Committee Update

Fire Chief Correia and Police Chief Dorgan addressed the Board and provided an update from the Committee. They are reviewing options on a potential lease of land and will be meeting next week remotely at the old Citizen's Bank building. Mr. Saunders commended the chiefs and added his recommendation that the chiefs educate the electorate due to this large financial task. Chief Correia said meetings are recorded and can be reviewed.

Bike Path Fund Presentation: Erin Carr

This item will be on the May 11, 2026 agenda.

Request to use Rogers School: Susan Darwin: Summer Art Museum: June 19-August 2, 2026

Ms. Darwin addressed the Board about the request and plans to paint, have portable restrooms and address conditions necessary to make the location safe and accessible for the event. Mr. Hickey advised the Board that Town Counsel drafted a contract after reviewing the request (*Attachment A*). Discussion ensued with the Board including clarifying questions about the use of Rogers School versus other Town locations, safety concerns, an email from Sue Loo of the Rogers Reuse Committee (*Attachment B*), concerns about open litigation, contingencies, liability and risk to the Town if unexpected issues are uncovered.

Mr. Hickey spoke in support of the request due to potential tourism benefits and the opportunity to highlight the Town. Brief discussion ensued with some on the Board in support of the event and some concerned about the potential risks, unknown issues that could arise and potential liability to the Town. Ms. Darwin explained that her

proposal is a love letter to Rogers School and will be an immersive experience in the historic portion within Rogers School, if it is not fully funded by her organization, Susan Darwin Artwork, the project will not move forward.

Motion: Ms. Mello motioned to approve leasing a portion of the Rogers School to hold a “Summer Art Museum-Rogers School” from June 12, 2026 to August 9, 2026. Further, prior to allowing entrance into the Rogers School to stage the art event, all improvements must be made to the satisfaction of Town staff, a lease prepared by Town Counsel is signed by both parties and a certificate of insurance naming the Town of Fairhaven be provided. Lastly, the Select Board authorizes the Town Administrator to sign the lease on behalf of the Select Board. Mr. Murphy seconded. The motion failed (2-3-0) Mr. Saunders, Mr. Romano and Mr. Silvia opposed.

Appointment Request: Registrar of Voters, 3-Year Term: Joan Kilroe

Mr. Murphy referred to the request and recommendation of the Town Clerk.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to appoint Joan Kilroe, a registered Democrat, to the Board of Registrars of Voters for a term expiring May, 2029. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Special One-Day All Alcohol License and Temporary Street Closure: Discover Fairhaven: Harbor of Courage event, May 16, 2026 (rain date May 17, 2026)

The Board reviewed the application and asked if Ms. Botelho would be back for this event.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve a Special One-Day All Alcohol License for Discover Fairhaven at the Harbor of Courage event on May 16, 2026 with a rain date of May 17, 2026. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Special One-Day All Alcohol License: Annual Full Bloom Festival at Cushman Park: June 28, 2026

The Board reviewed the application. Samantha Dungca and Alexis Costa of Soul Flower Yoga addressed the Board about the event and details. Mr. Hickey suggested the applicants contact Media Director Derek Frates to promote the event through Fairhaven TV.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve a Special One-Day All Alcohol License for Soul Flower Yoga at the Annual Full Bloom Festival on June 28, 2026. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Use of Town Hall and Temporary Street Closure: Fairhaven Improvement Association: Home Coming Fair: June 27, 2026 from 10am-4pm

The Board reviewed the application.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the use of Town Hall and Temporary Street Closure on June 27, 2026 as requested contingent upon any conditions required by Police, Fire and Public Works. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Use of Rogers School for Vendor Parking: Fairhaven Improvement Association: Home Coming Fair: June 27, 2026

The Board reviewed the request and clarified that there will be someone directing vendors parking at the lot.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the use of the Rogers School parking lot for vendor parking for the Home Coming Fair on June 27, 2026. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Use of Town Hall: Fairhaven Improvement Association: Concerts Under the Stars: Thursdays from July 9, 2026 through August 6, 2026 from 6:00-9:00pm

The Board reviewed the request.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the use of the Town Hall grounds for the annual Concerts Under the Stars events scheduled on five consecutive Thursdays starting July 9, 2026 through August 6, 2026 from 6-9pm. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Event Request: Tour de Crème Bike Ride: May 31, 2026

The Board reviewed the request.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the event request for the Tour de Crème Bike Ride on May 31, 2026

as requested contingent upon any conditions required by Police, Fire and Public Works. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joan Frye, former Fairhaven resident addressed the Board in support of the Animal Shelter and asked if it would be discussed later on the agenda. Mr. Hickey said there is an action item where it will be discussed.

Zach Aubut of Mill Road addressed the Board as an advocate for the Animal Shelter, shared an experience his mother had with Fairhaven's shelter compared to other towns, he described how he supports the shelter by buying litter when needed. He thanked Mr. Murphy for responding to his messages over the years.

Michelle Costen of Spring Street addressed the Board and said she had questions about the flag article and whether it was disability or the "additional flag." She added that people are opposed to the "additional flag" because it is a lifestyle choice, caused division in prior years and because many people are upset with the other flag she asked the Board to go back to the original flag.

Eleanor Chew of Main Street addressed the Board via zoom in support of the Tourism Department and that it is unfair to cut one department. If money was found for the shelter, find money for tourism. Tourism brings people in.

Bob Espindola of John Street addressed the Board via zoom and thanked Ms. Mello for requesting the update from the Public Safety Complex Committee and said he was looking forward to the Capital Plan discussion item.

ACTION / DISCUSSION

Consider Designating the Harbormaster and Building Commissioner as Authorized Signatories for Ch. 91

Mr. Murphy read the request details and discussion ensued about the current process and whether the Town has authority. Mr. Hickey added that the Building Commissioner and Harbormaster brought the request forward due to the process and need for oversight. Mr. Saunders asked the Board to table the request so that research could be done on Chapter 91 authority and rights.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to table item D1 to May 26, 2026. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Consider Acceptance of Deed for Parcel ID 27-334, Washburn Ave. for Conservation Purposes, Sign Deed

Mr. Hickey reviewed the request and advised the Board that the Conservation Commission is also signing off.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to accept a deed from Rachel Beth Feldman, Personal Representative of the Estate of Frieda Feldman, to property located on Washburn Avenue in Fairhaven (Parcel ID 27-334), which is to be held under the care, custody and control of the Conservation Commission for conservation purposes under the provisions of G.L. c.40, §8C. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Flag/Banner Request: Commission on Disability: July-Disability Pride Month

Mr. Murphy read from the request made by the Commission on Disability to hang their banner at Town Hall in July in celebration of Disability Pride month in honor of the history, achievements, and experiences of the disabled community. It commemorates the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 1990, a landmark civil rights law. The month promotes a positive view of disability as a natural part of human diversity rather than a deficiency. Mr. Silvia confirmed that the banner hung is the Commission on Disability banner.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the flag/banner request for the month of July for Disability Pride Month. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Discussion of Police Details at Polling Location for Elections

Discussion ensued about an email from Frank Crowell (*Attachment C*) questioning the need for three police detail officers at Town elections. Some members of the Board were opposed to decreasing the number of officers due to traffic, the need for overseeing certain election activities or incidents and potential security needs while other members felt two officers would be sufficient. Mr. Hickey referred to discussions with the Police Chief and Town

Clerk about reducing the number of officers from three to two for elections.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the use of two detail officers at the Town elections in May. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion failed (2-3-0) Mr. Silvia, Mr. Romano and Mr. Murphy opposed.

Mr. Murphy said it will remain at three officers.

Annual Town Election Ballot Question to Revoke Acceptance of Section 47 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws, Civil Service (Police Officers and Firefighters)

The process to remove police officers and firefighters from Civil Service includes including a ballot question on a Town ballot. Acceptance of this ballot question would remove the rules and requirements of Civil Service in the hiring and administration of future police officers and firefighters. Existing firefighters and police officers will retain Civil Service protection as long as they occupy their current positions. Both the Administration and the Police and Fire Unions support leaving Civil Service. Labor Counsel and Town Counsel have reviewed the question that would be included on the ballot.

The Select Board needs to review and approve the inclusion of the following question on the June 9th ballot: "Shall the acceptance by the Town of Fairhaven of section 47 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws, placing the members of both the official and labor service of the Town of Fairhaven within the classified civil service be revoked? YES _____ NO _____"

Mr. Hickey advised the Board that when concerns were raised on whether revoking Civil Service was supported by the union, he asked the Fire Chief and former Human Resource Director about discussions during contract negotiations. They confirmed that revoking Civil Service was discussed and included the chiefs. Mr. Hickey met with three representatives of the Fire Union and Fire Chief about their concerns. Mr. Hickey confirmed that the compensation and raises negotiated and paid to members of the Police and Fire Departments cannot be taken back. The next step is for the Town to vote and that the chiefs do support this process.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the language of the ballot question to remove police officers and firefighters from civil service and to request that the Town Clerk place said question on the ballot for the June 9, 2026 election. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Discussion on Possible Town Sponsored Amendments at Annual Town Meeting

The Board reviewed proposed amendments to the budget in Article 8 based on additional state revenue of \$94,000. Mr. Hickey proposed an amended motion to add \$90,000 of the \$94,000 to the General Fund budget and utilize the \$90,000 as follows: \$30,861 for Animal Control wages, \$24,700 for Animal Control Expenses, \$25,000 for Police Wages (Overtime) and \$9,439 for Fire Wages (Overtime).

Mr. Hickey advised the Board that the proposed funds for the Animal Shelter would restore one full-time Animal Control Officer and further, within the FY27 year, there would be time for assessment of the shelter, review of potential non-profit entities and by the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (MSPCA). The goal of the assessments would be if the shelter is able to move forward under a non-profit versus with Town funding. Mr. Hickey said that he discussed the proposed use of the \$90,000 additional state revenue with the School Superintendent for her awareness, then reviewed his proposal with the Finance Committee at their meeting on April 23, 2026 and is seeking the Board's approval. If additional state funds are received, those funds could later be appropriated to the School at a special town meeting.

Motion: Mr. Romano motioned that the additional \$90,000 FY27 General Fund budget be used in the following manner to the Fairhaven School Department. Ms. Mello seconded.

Discussion ensued about the process, the perceived message about an override and educating the residents.

On the Motion: Mr. Romano motioned that the additional \$90,000 FY27 General Fund budget funds be used in the following manner to the Fairhaven School Department. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion failed (2-3-0) Mr. Saunders, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Silvia opposed.

Motion: Mr. Romano motioned to that the additional \$90,000 FY27 General Fund budget be used in the following manner: \$30,861 to Animal Control Wages, \$24,700 to Animal Control Expenses and \$34,439 to the Fairhaven School Department. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed (3-2-0) Mr. Saunders and Mr. Silvia opposed.

Mr. Hickey reviewed the proposed amended language in Article 24, Section 7 (A) (11) (*Attachment D*) and explained that the concerns raised about borrowing were sent to Town Counsel for clarification. Town Counsel reviewed and proposed amending the language in Section 7 (A) (11) through the motion at Town Meeting if the Board supports. Brief discussion ensued about the Board reconsidering their recommendation so that additional research can be done.

The proposed amended motion language would be: move to adopt as written in the warrant, except that the words "Subject to Town Meeting authorization," shall be inserted at the beginning of Section 7(A)(11), and the words "however, the Trust borrowing shall not exceed fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) at any one time without Town Meeting approval" shall be deleted.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to support the revised language for Section 7(A)(11) in Article 24 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed (4-1-0) Mr. Romano opposed.

Discussion on Five-Year Capital Plan

Mr. Hickey referred the Board to the email from Bob Espindola regarding the Capital Plan and process (*Attachment E*). Mr. Hickey explained that the Capital Planning Committee sent recommendations that he reviewed and adjusted after discussions with department heads. Due to the reduced time to review background, the FY27 projects were presented in Article 14 and a five-year plan is before the Board for review (*Attachment F*).

Discussion ensued to clarify FY27 requests, potential changes in future fiscal years and how the report is laid out. Bob Grindrod of the Capital Planning Committee commented that the Committee spent time exclusively on FY27. Bob Espindola of John Street addressed the Board via zoom and said his questions were on the Public Safety Complex project, column set up and the debt service plan. Mr. Espindola referred to Town Bylaw and requested the Town publish the debt schedule. Mr. Hickey clarified the data in the plan (*Attachment F*).

Patrick Carr of Pleasant Street addressed the Board via zoom and asked clarifying questions about the Public Safety Complex and the Committee update provided in an earlier agenda item.

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to approve the FY27-FY31 Capital Improvement Plan. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed (4-1-0) Mr. Silvia opposed.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Hickey reviewed his report (*Attachment G*) and addressed questions.

- The Board asked about the Public Works notice regarding one-way streets and encouraged residents to attend the public meetings.
- The Board asked how many applicants for Planner. Mr. Hickey will check with HR.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS / COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Mr. Saunders had no meetings to report

Ms. Mello reported:

- The Library is working on a Capital Campaign
- Historical Commission meets next week

Mr. Murphy reported:

- The Cherry Blossom Festival will be on Sunday, May 3, 2026. He said he will be appointed to the Executive Board of the Whitfield-Manjiro Friendship Society once his term as a member of the Select Board is complete
- He wished Mark Sylvia and Natalie Mello Happy Birthday

Mr. Romano reported:

- Sustainability is focusing on shore birds/plovers on West Island, they are looking for grant funds for other initiatives.
- SRPEDD has a healthy living survey, Mr. Romano will send the flyer in to post online.

Mr. Silvia had no meetings to report

MINUTES

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to accept the open session minutes of April 13 and 15, 2026 as presented. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to accept the executive session minutes of April 13, 2026 as presented. Ms. Mello seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence: 2026 July 4th Parade invitation; Public Works: Proposed One Way Traffic Alterations; Public Informational Meeting Notice (*Attachment H*).

Motion: Mr. Saunders motioned to enter the Select Board correspondence as listed into the record. Mr. Romano seconded. The motion passed (5-0-0).

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Precinct Meetings followed by the Annual Town Meeting Preview will be on Thursday, April 30, 2026 starting at 6:30p.m. at the Elizabeth Hastings Middle School, 30 School Street. Classroom locations will be posted for the Precinct Meetings and the Town Meeting Preview will take place immediately following the Precinct Meetings in the Walter Silveira Auditorium. Town Meeting will be on Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 9:00a.m. in the Walter Silveira Auditorium at the Elizabeth Hastings Middle School, 30 School Street. The Select Board will meet before Town Meeting on Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 8:00am.

The next regularly scheduled Select Board meeting will be on **Monday, April 27, 2026** at 6:30pm.

The Select Board adjourned at 9:12pm

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Draft Contract: use of Rogers School for Summer Art Gallery
- B. Email: Sue Loo: Rogers School agenda item
- C. Email: Frank Crowell: Police details at the polling stations
- D. Annual Town meeting Article 24: Fairhaven Affordable Housing Trust draft revision to Section 7(A)(11)
- E. Email: Bob Espindola: Five year Capital plan in debt service plan
- F. General Fund Summary, Department Capital Requests
- G. Town Administrator Report
- II. Correspondence: 2026 July 4th Parade invitation; Public Works: Proposed One Way Traffic Alterations; Public Informational Meeting Notice

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Select Board Clerk (ah)

Accepted on May 11, 2026

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April 24, 2026

Keith R. Hickey, Town Administrator
40 Center Street
Fairhaven, MA 02719

**Re: Susan Darwin Artwork
Temporary Use of Rogers School**

Dear Keith,

In connection with the above, I have attached a draft License Agreement for your review. Attorney White and I have discussed this issue and agree that due to the circumstances of this proposed temporary use, a license agreement is more appropriate than a lease. Relevant factors in our determination include the fact that a license agreement conveys no property interest to the licensee and would not be subject to G.L. c.40B, §16. I draw your attention to the below.

In accordance with G.L. c.40B, §16, for any disposition of real property (which would include a lease), regardless of value, the Town is required to declare the property available for disposition and determine the value of the property. Also, if you dispose of the property for less than the value determined, you must post a notice in the Central Register explaining the reasons for your decision and disclosing the difference between the value and the price to be received. It is my understanding that the value of the proposed use would be far less than \$35,000, but if the value of the property exceeds \$35,000, you must solicit proposals to dispose of the property. The requirement for competition is triggered by the value of the property, not the price the town expects to receive for the property.

If you were to lease the space, the Town must determine the value of the disposition by calculating the fair market value of the lease over the entire contract term. For example, if you are leasing out a portion of a municipal building for five years with a market value of \$1,000 per month, the entire contract is valued at \$60,000. Here, the space is only being rented for approximately 60 days, so that is the period that should be used in the calculation:

Step 1: Declare property available for disposition and identify any reuse restrictions. Before you can lease the property, regardless of its value, it must be declared available for disposition by the individual or body with the authority to make such a determination for the town. If the town wishes to impose any restrictions on the use of the property, these restrictions must be specified as part of the declaration that the property is available for disposition.

Step 2: Determine the value of the property. You must determine the value of the property before you can dispose of it. Chapter 30B requires that you determine the property's

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value by using procedures customarily accepted as valid by the appraising profession. You may hire an appraiser, although you are not required to do so. For a lease, you may use market rent data, or even advertised rental rates, if the number of similar properties on the market is sufficient to determine the lease value.

Step 3: Develop the solicitation. Though probably not applicable here, if the value of the property exceeds \$35,000, you must solicit proposals. Your solicitation provides interested parties with the information they need to decide whether they want the property and to submit a responsive proposal. The major components of a real property disposition solicitation are as follows:

- a description of the property and interest in the property you plan to sell or lease (the “property description”) and any use restrictions;
- evaluation criteria;
- rule for award;
- proposal submission requirements; and
- the contract terms and conditions.

I understand that you will be discussing this matter with the Select Board at your meeting next week. Kindly confirm that the Board wishes to go forward with a license agreement, rather than a lease, and advise as to any comments or questions that are raised by the Board with respect to the attached draft agreement.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Michael K. Terry

/mkt

cc: Heather C. White, Esq.

LICENSE AGREEMENT
Rogers School
100 Pleasant Street, Fairhaven, MA

This License Agreement (this "License") is entered into on this ____ day of 2026, by and between the Town of Fairhaven (the "Town"), a Massachusetts municipal corporation acting by and through its Town Administrator, having an address of 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts 02719, and Susan Darwin, an individual with an address of (the "Licensee").

WHEREAS, the Town is the owner of certain property located at 100 Pleasant Street, Fairhaven, known as the Rogers School (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Licensee desires to temporarily use a portion of the Property, to wit: First floor of original building only, to include two East classrooms and central hallway, totaling approximately ____ square feet (the "Premises") from the Town for the purposes and in accordance with the provisions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee has requested that the Town grant a license to temporarily use and occupy the said Premises; and

WHEREAS, the Town is amenable to granting the Licensee a license to use the Premises subject to the terms set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree as follows:

1. **USE, PURPOSE, TERM.** The Town hereby grants the Licensee the exclusive right to use and occupy the Premises, solely for the purpose of establishing a temporary, privately funded art museum/gallery, and for no other purpose without the express written consent of the Town or its designated agent. Licensee's use of the Premises shall be in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and bylaws and Licensee shall not permit any use of the Premises in violation of law. Such use by the Licensee may be exercised for a term commencing on June 10, 2026 (the "Commencement Date") and terminating on August 2, 2026, unless terminated sooner in accordance with the provisions of this License (the "Term").

2. **CONSIDERATION.** In consideration for the use of the Premises, the Licensee shall pay the Town the sum of Dollars (\$ 0.00) for the Term (the "Rent"). The Rent shall be paid in advance, in full, on or before the Commencement Date and delivered to the Town at the address set forth above.

3. **RISK OF LOSS.** Licensee acknowledges and agrees that she accepts the Premises in its "AS-IS" condition, and that the Town has made no representation or warranty regarding the fitness thereof. The Town shall not be responsible to the Licensee or her agents, employees, representatives, contractors, invitees and/or others acting by or through the Licensee or any of them (the "Licensee Parties") for the condition or the security of the Premises. Without limiting the foregoing, the Town shall not be liable to Licensee or the other Licensee Parties for injury or

death to persons on or around the Premises or loss or damage to any property on or about the Premises pursuant to the License, except if such injury, death, loss or damages is caused directly by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Town or its employees and/or agents. The provisions of this Section shall survive the expiration or termination of this License.

4. USE OF LICENSED PREMISES. Licensees shall use the Premises solely for the Permitted Use. Licensee shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Premises and any structure or any equipment or property within the Premises, including removing trash and debris therefrom.

Licensee shall, at its sole expense, coordinate with a licensed and certified contractor for lead paint inspection and mitigation, and painting of the Premises.

Licensee shall set public visitor hours and shall provide on-site supervision during all said hours and clear visitor guidelines.

Licensee shall provide and install physical and visual barriers as appropriate in the Premises.

Licensee shall provide and install, at its sole expense, a temporary ADA-compliant ramp at the main entrance to the Premises.

Licensee shall provide, at its sole expense, ADA-compliant temporary restrooms, to be installed in a designated exterior location acceptable to the Town.

Licensee shall comply with any and all applicable laws, statutes, bylaws, regulations and permitting or licensing requirements and observe all reasonable rules and regulations that may be established by the Town from time to time relating to the use of or access to the Premises.

Licensees shall, at the Town's reasonable request and at Licensee's cost, take such measures reasonably necessary to ensure the safety of others using the Property, and shall promptly repair any damages caused to the Property, including any improvements thereon, by or resulting directly or indirectly as a result of the acts or omissions of the Licensee Parties, at its sole cost and expense.

Licensee shall not use or permit the Premises to be used in a manner so as to interfere unreasonably with the use of the Property by the Town and others entitled thereto.

Licensee shall not construct, install or place any temporary or permanent buildings, structures, utilities, objects, equipment or other property in, on, under, over or across the Premises, or construct, install, or make any alterations or improvements to the Premises, other than as set forth herein.

The Licensee shall remove any Licensee structure, equipment and other property from the Property upon the termination hereof.

The Licensee agrees that she will not bring onto, store, release or dispose of any Hazardous Materials on, under, about or within the Property, including the Premises, in violation of any law or regulation. As used in this paragraph, "Hazardous Materials" shall mean any oil, hazardous waste, substances or materials, or pollutants, as such terms are defined under any existing or future statutory or common law (including but not limited to Comprehensive Environmental, Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq., the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq., the Massachusetts Oil and Hazardous Material Release Prevention and Response Act, G.L. c. 21E, and all applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder). The Licensees shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Town from and against any and all claims, causes of action, administrative actions, administrative penalties, damages, fines, judgments, penalties, costs, liabilities or losses

(including without limitation, any and all costs associated with the removal and clean-up of Hazardous Materials, attorneys' fees, consultant and expert fees) arising by reason of the presence, use, storage, generation or disposal of Hazardous Materials by the Licensees or any of the other Licensee Parties on or about the Property. The provisions of this section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this License.

5. **INDEMNIFICATION.** Licensee shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Town from any and all liability, loss, damage, costs, expenses, causes of action, suits, proceedings, damages, claims, demands, judgments and/or liability of any nature (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) whatsoever, in law and equity, which are or may be brought against the Town or its agents, employees, successors and assigns arising out of or relating to: (a) any failure on the part of Licensee to comply with this License and/or a failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and/or bylaws, permits, licenses and/or approvals, (b) the condition of the Premises and/or any equipment or property of Licensees thereon, (c) the exercise of the rights granted pursuant to this License, and/or (d) for any death, personal injury or property damage suffered by any person unless the same is caused directly and solely by the gross negligence of the Town and/or the Town's agents or employees. The obligations of this Section shall survive the expiration or termination of this License.

6. **INSURANCE.** Licensee shall at all times during the Term of this License carry and maintain public liability insurance, including coverage for bodily injury, wrongful death and property damage, in the minimum amount set forth herein to support the obligations of Licensee under the terms and conditions of this License to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Town: General Liability: \$1,000,000.00/occurrence, \$3,000,000.00/aggregate; Bodily Injury Liability: \$1,000,000.00/occurrence, \$3,000,000.00/aggregate, and umbrella liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$3,000,000.00. Licensee shall also maintain workers compensation insurance, as required by law. Licensee shall provide the Town, on the Commencement Date, and at such other times as the Town may reasonably request, with a copy of such insurance policy in each case indicating the Town is an additional insured on the policy and showing compliance with the foregoing provisions. The insurance coverage required hereunder shall be issued by insurance companies licensed by the Massachusetts Division of Insurance to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and having a Best's rating of A or better. Licensees shall require the insurer to give at least thirty (30) days' written notice of termination, reduction or cancellation of the policy to the Town. Licensee's obligations to the Town hereunder shall not be limited to the insurance required hereunder. To the extent possible, Licensees shall obtain, for each policy of insurance secured by it, provisions permitting waiver of any claims against the Town for loss or damage within the scope of the insurance, and Licensee, for itself and its insurers, waives all claims against the Town as to such claims covered by such insurance. Licensee shall ensure that the artwork to be displayed is suitably insured.

7. **DEFAULT; TERMINATION.** It shall be an "Event of Default" if (a) Licensees fail to pay the Rent or any other sum that is payable to the Town hereunder, or fails to carry the insurance required under this License, or fails to comply with any term of this License that can be cured by a payment of money, and the same is not cured within fifteen (15) days from written notice from the Town specifying the default, or (b) Licensees fails to comply with any other term of this License and the same is not cured within thirty (30) days from written notice from the

Town specifying the default. In the Event of Default, the Town shall have the right to terminate this License by giving Licensees at least ten (10) days prior written notice thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Town and the Licensees shall each have the right to terminate this License at any time and for any reason, without recourse (except for the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in this License), provided the terminating party gives the non-terminating party at least fourteen (14) days prior written notice thereof. At the expiration of this License or within seven (7) days of the prior termination of this License, Licensees shall forthwith remove from the Property, any structure and any and all other Licensee equipment or property from the Premises, and restore the Premises to the condition it was in prior to this License, and repair any damage caused to the Property by any of the Licensee Parties. If the personal property is not removed from the Town Property and adjacent areas within forty-eight (48) hours of the expiration or termination, the Town may remove and dispose of the same, all at the Licensee's sole cost and expense. This obligation shall survive the expiration or termination of this License.

8. NOTICE. Any notice required or permitted to be given under this License shall be in writing and signed by the party or the party's attorney or agent and shall be deemed to have been given: (a) when delivered by hand, or (b) when sent by Federal Express or other similar overnight courier service, or (c) when mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the party at the address set forth above. A copy of any such notice from Licensee to the Town shall be provided to Town Counsel at the following address:

Heather C. White, Esq.
Petrini & Associates, P.C.
372 Union Ave.
Framingham, MA 01702
hwhite@petrinilaw.com

These addresses are subject to change, and the parties hereto agree to inform each other of such changes as soon as practicable.

9. MISCELLANEOUS. (a) This License agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no other agreements or understandings between the parties regarding the subject matter of this License. (b) Modifications or amendments to this License shall be in writing and duly executed by both parties hereto to be effective. (c) This License shall not be construed as creating or vesting in Licensee any estate in the Property, but only the limited right of use as hereinabove stated. (d) the Licensee is not authorized to bind or involve the Town in any contract or to incur any liability for or on the part of the Town. (e) In no event shall the Town be liable to Licensee for consequential, incidental, indirect, special or punitive damages. (f) This License shall not be transferred or assigned to any party without the prior written consent of the Town, which may be withheld in its sole discretion. (g) If any portion of this License is declared to be illegal, unenforceable or void, then all parties to this License shall be relieved of all obligations under that portion; provided, however, that the remainder of this License shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law. (h) The captions in this License are inserted for convenience of reference only and in no way define, describe or limit the scope or intent of this License or any of the provisions thereof. (i) All appropriate terms and provisions relating to indemnification and the restoration of the property affected hereby shall survive the expiration or termination of this License. (j) This License shall be governed by and construed in accordance

with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and any and all legal actions brought in connection with this License shall be brought in courts within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

[signature page follows]

The parties hereto have caused this License Agreement to be executed on this _____ day
of _____, 2026.

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN,
By its Town Manager

Keith Hickey

LICENSEE:

Susan Darwin

Rogers School agenda item

1 message

Sue Loo <su13lu@yahoo.com>

Sun, Apr 26, 2026 at 9:37 AM

Reply-To: Sue Loo <su13lu@yahoo.com>

To: "Charles K. Murphy Sr" <cmurphy@fairhaven-ma.gov>, Keith Silvia <ksilvia@fairhaven-ma.gov>

Cc: Amy Hart <ahart@fairhaven-ma.gov>

Dear Charlie and Keith,

I hope this message finds you well. As the chair of the selectboard and the board's representative to the Re-Use Committee, I am reaching out to discuss the proposed Summer Art Gallery at Rogers School. I have had discussions with Mr. Hickey and ongoing communication with Ms. Darwin. Additionally, several town residents have expressed their questions and concerns to me.

Before any decision is made on this project, I believe it is important to address these concerns with both of you. One significant concern raised by residents pertains to liability issues associated with the building's known issues. We need to clarify the extent of the town's responsibility in this regard.

Who would be responsible for any damage or vandalism to artwork or the building?

Personally, I am worried about the building's usage during the ongoing litigation and the attached lis pendens. Since September 2020, when the litigation began, the committee was informed that no actions could be taken regarding the building. I am curious about the recent change in approach and whether the plaintiff could exploit this situation against the town and further delay any end to the litigation.

How will access to the building be controlled to prevent unauthorized entry to other portions of the building? Ms. Darwin suggested having high school students monitor certain points, but I have reservations about placing students in that role. Who will bear the cost of having a custodian present during the event, if required? Will a town employee need to be on-site as well? Will a fee be charged to use the building?

The idea of a summer art gallery is commendable, but I have reservations about using Rogers School for this purpose currently.

Can anyone use the building while in litigation?

Unfortunately I am not able to attend the meeting due to a medical procedure tomorrow.

Thank you for your time.

Sue Loo

From: Frank Crowell <frank727@yahoo.com>
Date: April 20, 2026 at 2:13:05 PM EDT
To: cmurphy@fairhaven-ma.gov, aromano@fairhaven-ma.gov, namello@fairhaven-ma.gov,
ksilvia@fairhaven-ma.gov, asaunders@fairhaven-ma.gov
Cc: NeighbNews@comcast.net
Subject: Police details at the polling station

4/20/2026

Dear Select Board members,

I continue to read about the budget shortfalls facing Fairhaven. I would like to offer an opportunity to chip away at this shortfall (as I attempted to do 2 years ago). We have been staffing the voting polls with 3 detailed police officers. This is almost certainly by accident. Two years ago, at the very end of his term, SB member Espindola held an on-line Q&A session and I asked him about this. His speculation was that when the town had 3 polling locations, each had an officer detailed there and when they consolidated from 3 polling locations to 1, this was overlooked. This was almost certainly the case.

At that point I attempted to bring this oversight to the town's attention for what I thought would be an easy correction. This was not to be the case.

I first contacted the (former) Town Administrator. I was initially told that the town was bound by laws as to how many police officers must be there but after I followed up, the TA conceded that Mass. General Laws c.54 § 72 was the only controlling law. That law does not mandate a minimum number of police but rather a "sufficient number". Out of curiosity, I contacted the town of Gosnold, the smallest town in the state. They do not have police details at their elections. So a sufficient number may be zero.

The TA then advised me that this was really a Select Board issue and referred me to SB Chair Powers. She told me how important it was that police details direct traffic in the parking lot and again stated that the number was dictated by law. I told her that there were not any police in the parking lot and that they were all inside. And I again cited the MGL. She apologized for the misinformation and referred me to SB member Romano, who she said was more knowledgeable about the subject.

SB Romano and I exchanged a few emails. He explained some of the duties performed by the police details, which largely consisted of witnessing ballot delivery, inspecting ballot boxes being empty before voting and witnessing the opening of machines in the event of a malfunction. His contention was that these functions had to be done by the police. Logic would dictate otherwise. If a town can conduct an election without any police present, and Gosnold is proof that this is possible, then someone other than a police officer can perform these duties. There appear to be dozens of poll workers present when I go to the polls. They should perform these duties. We are currently assigning polling worker tasks to police officers and doing so at a significant extra cost. There is also a question of how a police officer is more qualified to perform these duties than a poll worker anyway? Mr. Romano never provided me a reference for the necessity of police performing these duties at the polls. I believe this is a case of..."this is the way we have always done it" and it is a self imposed, unwritten requirement.

A single police officer on detail in the name of law and order makes sense. That's actually what they are there for. (The MGL says that. It's short and sweet and I've included it below.) Having 3 available to watch a jammed ballot machine be opened or to look inside an empty box is a foolish waste of money.

I would also like to add my experience with early voting. Fall of 2024 I voted early at the Town Hall. When I entered the room I found a woman sitting alone at a table with a stack of ballots and ballot envelopes in front of her. No one else was in sight, let alone a police officer. She was joined by a man a short time later but she was alone in the room with the ballots, envelopes and ballot machine. My son had requested a ballot by mail. I dropped it off through the mail slot at the Town Clerk's office for him. It was the weekend and everything was closed. I know a police officer wasn't there then and I'm fairly certain a police officer was not there when the ballots were collected Monday morning. So why the difference in the police requirement? I think it's simple, police are meant to maintain law and order during voting. There are not meant to be part of the voting process.

I'm all for law and order and a police presence when it makes sense. But turning police officers into poll workers is wasteful. If we're faced with a budget shortfall, we should be looking to save money everywhere we can. This should be easy.

I would like to hear from each of you individually with your position on this please (Mr. Romano excepted...your position is clear to me already).

Regards,
Frank Crowell
14 Moravia Ave
Fairhaven
339-793-3048

Mass. General Laws c.54 § 72

The select board, board of selectmen, town council or city council of each city and town, in consultation with its election officers and registrars, shall detail a sufficient number of police officers or constables for each building that contains the polling place for 1 or more precincts at every election therein to preserve order and to protect the election officers and supervisors from any interference with their duties and to aid in enforcing the laws relating to elections.

ARTICLE 24 FAIRHAVEN AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 44, s. 55C to establish a trust to be known as the Fairhaven Affordable Housing Trust, the purpose of which shall be to provide for the preservation and creation of affordable housing in Fairhaven for the benefit of low- and moderate-income households, to support efforts to improve housing affordability in Fairhaven in general, and to fund community housing, as defined in G.L. c. 44B, and, in implementation thereof, to amend the General Bylaws by adding a new Bylaw entitled "Affordable Housing Trust" as printed in the warrant, or take any other action relative thereto.

Section 1. Statutory authority

The Fairhaven Affordable Housing Trust shall be constituted and operation under MGL c.44, § 55C, and subject to the limitations contained in this bylaw.

Section 2. Title

The Trust shall be called the "Fairhaven Affordable Housing Trust"

Section 3. Purpose

The purpose of the Trust shall be to provide for the preservation and creation of affordable and community housing in the Town of Fairhaven for the benefit of low- and moderate-income households and for the funding of community housing, as defined in and in accordance with the provisions of the Community Preservation Act, G.L. c. 44B ("Chapter 44B"). In furtherance of this purpose, the Trustees are hereby authorized, in accordance with the procedures set forth herein, to acquire by gift, purchase or otherwise real property, personal property, or money, both tangible and intangible, of every sort and description; to use such property, both real and personal, and money in such manner as the Trustees shall deem most appropriate to carry out such purpose, provided however, that all property and money held by the Trust and the net earnings thereof shall be used exclusively for the preservation and creation in the Town of Fairhaven' of affordable housing.

Section 4. Composition

There shall be a Board of Trustees of the Fairhaven Affordable Housing Trust Fund (the "Board"), composed of seven members (7) members: two (2) ex officio non-voting members and five (5) voting members. A member of the Select Board (chosen by the Select Board) and The Town Administrator or the Town Administrator's designee, shall serve as the ex officio members. The voting members shall include: five (5) members appointed by the Select Board, with a preference for members who have professional expertise in fields such as real estate law, architecture, planning, banking, finance, real estate, or a member who currently lives in affordable housing.

Excluding the Town Administrator, members must be residents of the Town of Fairhaven. Any Trustee who ceases to be a resident of the Town of Fairhaven shall cease to be a Trustee hereunder and shall promptly provide a written notification of the change in residence to the Board and to the Town Clerk. Any Trustee may resign in writing, signed and acknowledged by such Trustee and duly filed with the Town Clerk. If a Trustee ceases to be a Trustee hereunder before his/her term of office expires, a successor shall be appointed by the Select Board to fill such vacancy provided that in each case the said appointment and acceptance in writing by the Trustee so appointed is filed with the Town Clerk. Upon the appointment of any succeeding Trustee and the filing of such appointment the title to the Trust estate shall thereupon and without the necessity of any conveyance be vested in such succeeding Trustee jointly with the remaining Trustees. Reference

to the Trustee shall mean the Trustee or Trustees for the time being hereunder.

Section 5. Declaration of Trust

The Trustees are hereby authorized to execute a Declaration of Trust and Certificate of Trust for the Fairhaven Affordable Housing Trust Fund to be recorded with the Bristol County Registry of Deeds and filed with the Bristol County Registry District of the Land Court.

Section 6. Meetings of the Trust

The Trust shall meet at least quarterly at such time and at such place as the Trustees shall determine. Special Meetings may be called by the Chair or by two (2) Trustees. Notice of all meetings of the Trust shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18 through

25. A quorum at any meeting shall be a majority of the Trustees, qualified and present in person.

The Trustees shall annually elect one Trustee who shall not be a member of the Select Board, to serve as Chairperson. The Chairperson may establish subcommittees and/or ad hoc task related committees to carry out the purposes of the Trust; the Chairperson of any such subcommittee or ad hoc task related committee shall be selected by vote of the subcommittees.

Section 7. Powers of Trustees

The Trustees shall have the following powers, all of which shall be carried on in furtherance of the purposes set forth in General Laws Chapter 44 Section 55C, except that it shall have no ability to borrow money, or mortgage, or pledge Trust assets, purchase, sell, lease, exchange, transfer or convey any interest in real property without prior approval of the Fairhaven Select Board.

(A) To accept and receive property, whether real or personal, by gift, grant, devise, or transfer from any person, firm, corporation or other public or private entity, including without limitation grants of funds or other property tendered to the trust in connection with provisions of any zoning ordinance or bylaw or any General law or Special Act of the Commonwealth or any other source:

(1) Accept and receive real property, personal property or money, by gift, grant, contribution, devise or transfer from any person, firm, corporation or other public or private entity, including but not limited to money, grants of funds or other property tendered to the trust in connection with any ordinance or by-law or any general or special law or any other source, including money from Chapter 44B;

(2) Purchase and retain real or personal property, including without restriction investments that yield a high rate of income or no income;

(3) Sell, lease, exchange, transfer or convey any personal, mixed, or real property at public auction or by private contract for such consideration and on such terms as to credit or otherwise, and to make such contracts and enter into such undertaking relative to trust property as the board deems advisable notwithstanding the length of any such lease or contract;

(4) Execute, acknowledge and deliver deeds, assignments, transfers, pledges, leases, covenants, contracts, promissory notes, releases and other instruments sealed or unsealed, necessary, proper or incident to any transaction in which the board engages for the accomplishment of the purposes of the trust;

(5) Employ advisors and agents, such as accountants, appraisers and lawyers as the Board deems necessary;

(6) Pay reasonable compensation and expenses to all advisors and agents and to apportion such compensation between income and principal as the board deems advisable;

(7) Apportion receipts and charges between incomes and principal as the board deems advisable, to amortize premiums and establish sinking funds for such purpose, and to create reserves for depreciation depletion or otherwise;

(8) Participate in any reorganization, recapitalization, merger or similar transactions; and to give proxies or powers of attorney with or without power of substitution to vote any securities or certificates of interest; and to consent to any contract, lease, mortgage, purchase or sale of property, by or between any corporation and any other corporation or person;

(9) Deposit any security with any protective reorganization committee, and to delegate to such committee such powers and authority with relation thereto as the board may deem proper and to pay, out of trust property, such portion of expenses and compensation of such committee as the board may deem necessary and appropriate;

(10) Carry property for accounting purposes other than acquisition date values;

(11) Subject to Town Meeting authorization Borrow money on such terms and conditions and from such sources as the board deems advisable, to mortgage and pledge trust assets as collateral.; however, the Trust borrowing shall not exceed fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) at any one time without Town Meeting approval.

(12) Make distributions or divisions of principal in kind;

(13) Comprise, attribute, defend, enforce, release, settle or otherwise adjust claims in favor or against the trust, including claims for taxes, and to accept any property, either in total or partial satisfaction of any indebtedness or other obligation, and subject to the provisions of this act, to continue to hold the same for such period of time as the board may deem appropriate;

(14) Manage or improve real property; and to abandon any property which the board determined not to be worth retaining;

(15) Hold all or part of the trust property uninvested for such purposes and for such time as the board may deem appropriate; and

(16) Extend the time for payment of any obligation to the trust.

(B) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Select Board approval shall be required for any of the following actions:

(1) To purchase real or personal property

(2) To sell, lease, exchange, transfer or convey any personal, mixed, or real property; and

(3) To borrow money, or mortgage or pledge Trust assets as collateral to the extent of the Trust's assets.

(C) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Trustees may not borrow, mortgage, or pledge greater than the current Trust assets unless approved by the Select Board.

Section 8. Acts of Trustees

A majority of Trustees may exercise any or all of the powers of the Trustees hereunder and may execute on behalf of the Trustees any and all instruments with the same effect as though executed by all the Trustees. No Trustee shall be required to give bond. No license of court shall be required to confirm the validity of any transaction entered into by the Trustees with respect to the Trust Estate.

Section 9. Liability

Neither the Trustees nor any agent or officer of the Trust shall have the authority to bind the Town, except in the manner specifically authorized herein. The Trust is a public employer, and the Trustees are public employees for the purposes of G.L. Chapter 258. The Trust shall be deemed a municipal agency and the Trustees special municipal employees for the purposes of G.L. Chapter 268A.

Section 10. Custodian of Funds

The Town Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Trust and oversee investments. The books and records of the Trust shall be audited annually by an independent auditor in accordance with accepted accounting practices for municipalities.

Section 11. Duration of Trust

This Trust shall be of indefinite duration, until terminated in accordance with applicable law. Upon termination of the Trust, subject to the payment of or making provisions for the payment of all obligations and liabilities of the Trust and the Trustees, the net assets of the Trust shall be transferred to the Town and held by the Select Board for affordable housing purposes. In making any such distribution, the Trustees may, subject to the approval of the Select Board, sell all or any portion of the Trust property and distribute the net proceeds thereof or they may distribute any of the assets in kind. The powers of the Trustees shall continue until the affairs of the Trust are concluded.

Section 12. Amendments

The provisions of this Trust can only be amended by a vote of the Fairhaven Town Meeting.

Section 13. Authority regarding documents

The Select Board may authorize the Trustees to execute, deliver, and record with the Registry of Deeds any documents required for any conveyance authorized hereunder.

Section 14. Section titles

The titles to the various Articles herein are for convenience only and are not to be considered part of said Articles nor shall they affect the meaning or the language of any such Article; or take any other action thereon.

Keith

Keith R. Hickey, Town Administrator

Town of Fairhaven, MA 02719

khickey@fairhaven-ma.gov

508 979-4107



From: Bob Espindola <bobespindola02719@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 10:59 PM

To: khickey@fairhaven-ma.gov

Cc: Amy Hart <ahart@fairhaven-ma.gov>; Andrew Romano <aromano@fairhaven-ma.gov>; Andrew Saunders <asaunders@fairhaven-ma.gov>; Charles K Murphy Sr <cmurphy@fairhaven-ma.gov>; ksilvia@fairhaven-ma.gov; mmello@fairhaven-ma.gov;

Subject: Re: Five year Capital plan in debt service plan

Mr. Hickey,

Is the approved five year Capital Plan required by the town bylaws posted on the Town's website?

Article 14 addresses only the current year capital needs but it does nothing to provide context about how these requests fit into the overall capital needs for the Town, which is what the the bylaw that was passed about 14 years ago was meant to do, b; benefit of Town Meeting members as well.

Perhaps the Select Board did not ask for it or for an explanation of how the Town expects to finance that plan, as they should have, (a debt service plan) especially with the Town struggling in other areas like the operating budget, but I, as a very conc our Elected Officials have signed off on Article 14 with full knowledge of what is anticipated in the coming years.

The Department of Revenue recommended the Town adopt a Capital Planning Committee and codify the requirement of a five year capital plan back in 2012, in their Financial Management Review expressly because the Town had a past practice of or naturally, lacking,

The bylaws talk about the Capital Planning process and the Town Administrator also does the same, each calling for a Five Year Capital plan to be approved annually.

I don't recall a year since the Capital Bylaw was enacted where the Town did not have a Five Year Capital Plan presented to the Select Board for vote. I can recall a year when I questioned the validity of what was in the plan but never a year when the precedent for the Town to set or to find acceptable for even one year.

With that in mind, I am respectfully asking for the Five Year Capital Plan to be on the Select Board agenda for Monday night's Select Board meeting and, ideally, for it to be accompanied by a debt service plan showing how the Town expects to fund pro members to understand what has been approved by the Select Board in terms of the Five Year Capital Plan.

Thank you,

§ 40-3. Duties of Committee.

[Amended 6-14-2021 ATM by Art. 46; 11-14-2023 STM by Art. 13]

The Committee shall:

- A. Study proposed capital projects, improvements, and equipment purchases that have a useful life of at least five years and cost over \$20,000 per item;
- B. Consider the relative need, impact, timing and cost of these expenditures;
- C. Prepare an annual report recommending a Capital Improvement Projects Plan for the next fiscal year and a Capital Improvement Program Plan for the next five years. The report shall be submitted to the Town Administrator who shall then submit it to the Select Board along with the budget consideration and approval;
- D. The Capital Improvement Projects Plan and Capital Improvement Program Plan are to be presented at the Annual Town Meeting for its approval of the plan;
- E. Explain and defend to the Town Meeting any deviation which the Committee proposes from the Capital Improvement Plan.

From the Town Administrator Act ...

(p) Submit annually to the board of selectmen a 5-year capital improvements program, or the same as approved by a formal capital planning committee, which shall include the following: (i) cost estimates, methods of financing and recommended improvements and supporting data proposed to be undertaken during the next 5 years; (ii) cost estimates, methods of financing and recommended improvements and supporting data proposed to be undertaken during the next 5 years; (iii) annual cost of operating and maintaining any facility to be constructed or acquired.

From 2012 DOR/DLS Financial Management Review recommendations.

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/fairhaven-report-november-2012/download>

10. Establish a Capital Improvement Program

We recommend that the town administrator establish a **capital** improvement program. From what we understand, the town has periodically attempted to develop a capital program, but with little success. A comprehensive capital program is one of the cornerstones of sound financial planning. In its design, a capital program serves as an effective resource allocation tool by enabling officials to direct scarce resources to prioritized needs. Established through bylaw or town charter, it would facilitate a strategic planning process built upon an explicit long-term vision and a multi-year capital plan that embodies clear standards and capital spending priorities.

For additional assistance, we direct local officials to the Developing a Capital Improvement Program Manual available at www.mass.gov/dls under financial management assistance > publications and other useful links.

On Wed, Apr 22, 2026 at 8:04 PM <khickey@fairhaven-ma.gov> wrote:

Mr. Espindola,

The Select Board approved the Town Meeting warrant article proposed by the Capital Planning Committee during a previous meeting. There is not an agenda item on next week's agenda to discuss the capital article.

Keith

Keith R. Hickey, Town Administrator

Town of Fairhaven, MA 02719

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Subject: Five year Capital plan in debt service plan

Mr. Hickey,

I understand that you have been quite busy dealing with the budget and the proposition 2 1/2 messaging but I am unable to find any record of the Select board having reviewed the five-year Capital plan with just a little over a week before town meet

If it has been reviewed can you please let me know which Meeting that was?

If not, can you please confirm that it will be on the Select Board agenda for Monday night next week and, if so, whether you will plan to review a debt service plan along with the capital plan?

Thank you,

Bob Espindola
14 John St
774-263-1046

General Fund Summary		Department Capital Requests						FY27-31
Dept	Project	Dept Priority	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Total Est Cost
			FY27 TA Recommended					
BPW	Window Replacement	1	\$ 500,000	\$ 75,000				\$ 75,000
BPW Admin.	Town Wide Gas Pump System Replacement	1	\$ 100,000					\$ 100,000
BPW Highway	Roadwork	1	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 325,000	\$ 325,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 1,600,000
	Street Sweeper Replacement	3	\$ 300,000					\$ 300,000
	Vehicle Replacement/New Light Duty Dump Truck	2	\$ 120,000					\$ 120,000
	Replace 2021 Chevrolet Dump to Loader Body	3		\$ 50,000				\$ 50,000
	Replace Foreman Utility Trucks (2)	3		\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000			\$ 240,000
	Replace 2002 Grader with Skid Steer	2		\$ 90,000				\$ 90,000
BPW Parks	Beach Trailer Bathroom Replacement	1	\$ 350,000					\$ 350,000
	Cushman and Livesey Park Drainage Improve. & Walkway Resurfacing	1		\$ 250,000				\$ 250,000
BPW Total			\$ 1,570,000	\$ 715,000	\$ 495,000	\$ 445,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 3,575,000
	Free Cash 12/20/25 (\$2,823,249)		\$ 400,000	\$ 715,000	\$ 495,000	\$ 445,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 3,575,000
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Capital Stabilization 12/20/25 (\$3,558,394)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 12/20/25 (\$941417)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Emergency Management			\$ 16,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,895
Light Tower	Replace Unit 51 Pickup Truck	2	\$ 16,895					\$ 16,895
		1	\$ 98,000					\$ 98,000
Emergency Management Total			\$ 114,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 114,895
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$3,769,553.00)		\$ 16,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,895
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fire			\$ 133,285	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 133,285
PFAS Free Firefighting Gear		1	\$ 133,285					\$ 133,285
Life Pak Replacement		4	\$ 70,000					\$ 70,000
Brush Truck Replacement (Unit 5)		2	\$ 85,000					\$ 170,000
Car 3 Replacement		3	\$ 85,000					\$ 85,000
Fire Engine Replacement		8		\$ 850,000				\$ 850,000
Ambulance Replacement		5			\$ 500,000			\$ 500,000
Fire Total			\$ 373,285	\$ -	\$ 850,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,723,285
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$3,769,553.00)		\$ 373,285	\$ -	\$ 850,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,723,285
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	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Fire/Police	Public Safety Complex	1	\$ 6,500,000		\$ 40,000,000				\$ 46,500,000
	Fire/Police Total		\$ 6,500,000		\$ 40,000,000				\$ 46,500,000
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ 6,500,000		\$ 40,000,000				\$ 46,500,000
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
IT	Replacement of Technology	1	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 150,000
	IT Total		\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 150,000
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 150,000
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 150,000
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
Library	Millicent Boiler Replacement and Climate Control	1	\$ 2,092,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,092,000
	Library Total		\$ 2,092,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,092,000
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ 2,092,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,092,000
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
Recreation	Redo gym floor and repaint lines	3	\$ -		\$ 39,000				\$ 39,000
	Recreation Total		\$ -		\$ 39,000				\$ 39,000
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ -		\$ 39,000				\$ 39,000
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ -		\$ 39,000				\$ 39,000
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -		\$ -				\$ -

Department Capital Requests

General Fund Summary

Dept	Project	Dept Priority	FY 2027	FY 2027 Recommended	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Total Est Cost
Council on Aging									
1	Replace COA Tables and Chairs	1	\$ 43,000	\$ 43,000					\$ 43,000
1	Replace Ceiling tiles	1	\$ 33,505	\$ 33,505					\$ 33,505
	Council on Aging Total		\$ 76,505	\$ 76,505					\$ 76,505
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ 76,505	\$ 76,505					\$ 76,505
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)								
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)								
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)								
Building Commissioner									
	Replace SUV		\$ 48,000	\$ 48,000					\$ 48,000
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ 48,000	\$ 48,000					\$ 48,000
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)								
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)								
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)								
Police									
1	Cruiser Replacements (Revised Amount Based on Ford Explorers)	1	\$ 194,851	\$ 172,066	\$ 204,593	\$ 214,823	\$ 225,564	\$ 233,843	\$ 1,073,674
2	Body Worn Camera and Taser Project	2	\$ 24,748	\$ 24,748	\$ 36,420	\$ 36,420	\$ 25,678	\$ 25,678	\$ 148,944
	Police Total		\$ 219,599	\$ 196,814	\$ 241,013	\$ 251,243	\$ 251,242	\$ 259,521	\$ 1,222,618
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ 219,599	\$ 196,814	\$ 241,013	\$ 251,243	\$ 251,242	\$ 259,521	\$ 1,222,618
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)								
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)								
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)								
Harbormaster									
1	Harbormaster/Shellfish Warden Truck (replacement)	1	\$ 68,477	\$ 59,539					\$ 68,477
1	Repair Seawall at Bridge Street	1	\$ 9,290,225	\$ 9,290,225					\$ 9,290,225
	Harbormaster Total		\$ 9,358,702	\$ 9,349,764					\$ 9,358,702
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ 68,477	\$ 59,539					\$ 68,477
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)								
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)								
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)								
School									
1	Tripp School HVAC Replacement	1			\$ 811,000				\$ 811,000
2	Ad Center-Updated Feasibility Study	2						\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000

Department Capital Requests

General Fund Summary

Dept	Project	Dept Priority	FY 2027	FY27 TA Recommended	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	Total Est Cost
	High School 1906 Roof Replacement	1							\$ 5,200,000
	High School Roof Retrofit-1999 Addition	1	\$ 75,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 1,700,000		\$ 1,600,000
	High School Football Field Bathroom Project	2							\$ 34,850
	Elizabeth Hastings Middle School Tennis Court Resurface	2	\$ 700,000	\$ 700,000					\$ 700,000
	Tripp School Roof Replacement	2							
	School Total		\$ 775,000	\$ 950,000	\$ 2,411,000	\$ 3,534,850	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 8,395,850
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ 775,000	\$ 950,000	\$ -	\$ 34,850	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 8,470,850
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,411,000	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 1,700,000	\$ -	\$ -
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Town Hall								
	Auditorium Air Conditioning	5	\$ 50,000		\$ 700,000				\$ 750,000
	Replace Generator	3	\$ 140,000						\$ 140,000
	Replace Pickup Truck	3	\$ 47,944						\$ 47,944
	Replace West Wooden Doors	2	\$ 49,000						\$ 49,000
	Repair West Retaining Wall	1	\$ 350,000						\$ 350,000
	Town Hall Total		\$ 636,944	\$ -	\$ 700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,336,944
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ 636,944	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,336,944
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	GENERAL FUND TOTAL		\$ 21,794,930	\$ 1,996,038	\$ 44,136,013	\$ 5,161,093	\$ 2,426,242	\$ 1,189,521	\$ 74,632,799
	Free Cash 03/27/24 (\$2,769,553.00)		\$ 3,137,705	\$ 1,996,038	\$ 1,025,013	\$ 811,093	\$ 726,242	\$ 689,521	\$ 8,385,612
	Borrowing 03/27/24 (FY25 \$1,088,115.84) (Total \$7,337,565.86)		\$ 18,582,225	\$ -	\$ 43,111,000	\$ 4,350,000	\$ 1,700,000	\$ -	\$ 67,743,225
	Capital Stabilization 03/27/24 (\$5,411,050.68)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Ambulance Fund 03/27/24 (865,486.00)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
	Town Hall Total		\$ 21,719,930	\$ 1,996,038	\$ 44,136,013	\$ 5,161,093	\$ 2,426,242	\$ 1,189,521	\$ 74,632,799



Town of Fairhaven
Report of the Town Administrator
April 27, 2026

Financial Updates

- There are no financial updates this week.

Project Updates

- The Public Works Department will be holding a public informational session to present the recommendations of a traffic/one-way study. The meeting will be held at the Town Hall on May 6th at 6:00 pm. A meeting notice has been sent out to abutters on roads being considered for changes in traffic patterns. Three maps on the following pages depict the recommended traffic changes. The Board packet contains a copy of the notice under "Correspondence." Additional information is available on the Town website at <https://fairhaven-ma.gov/document/highway-dept-traffic-reports/>.

Personnel Update

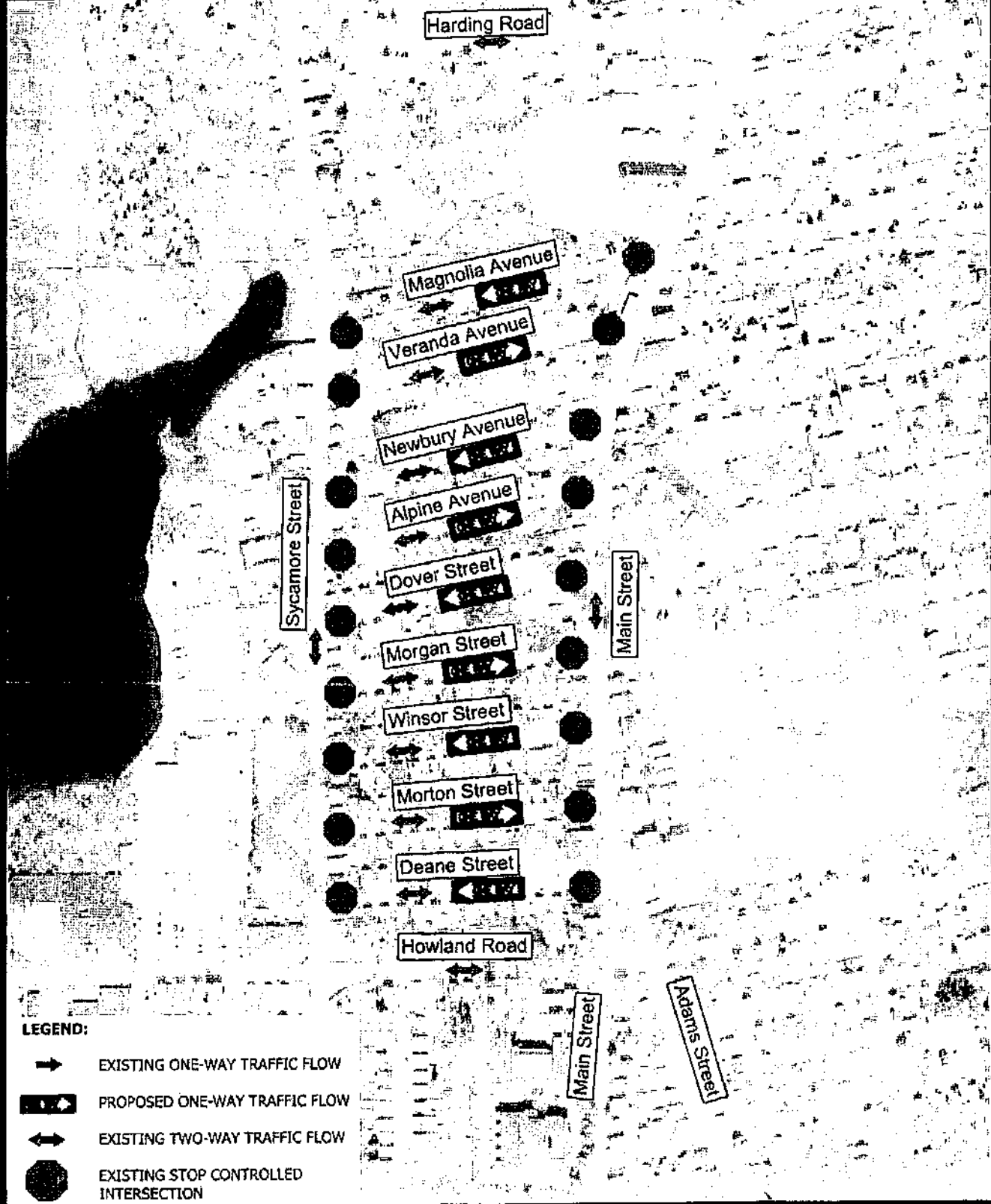
- The Planner position has been advertised. The deadline to submit a resume and letter of interest in May 9th. Select Board member Mello was chosen a while ago to represent the Select Board in the resume review and first interview. I have contacted Planning Board Chair Jessica Fidalgo requesting a Planning Board member participate as well.

Miscellaneous Updates

- Department Heads and I met with Moderator Mark Sylvia last week to review the Town Meeting warrant and identify who may present at Town Meeting. Department Heads and I will also attend the precinct meetings on Thursday evening, April 30th.

Main Street to Sycamore Street - Fairhaven, MA
One-Way Flow Assessment

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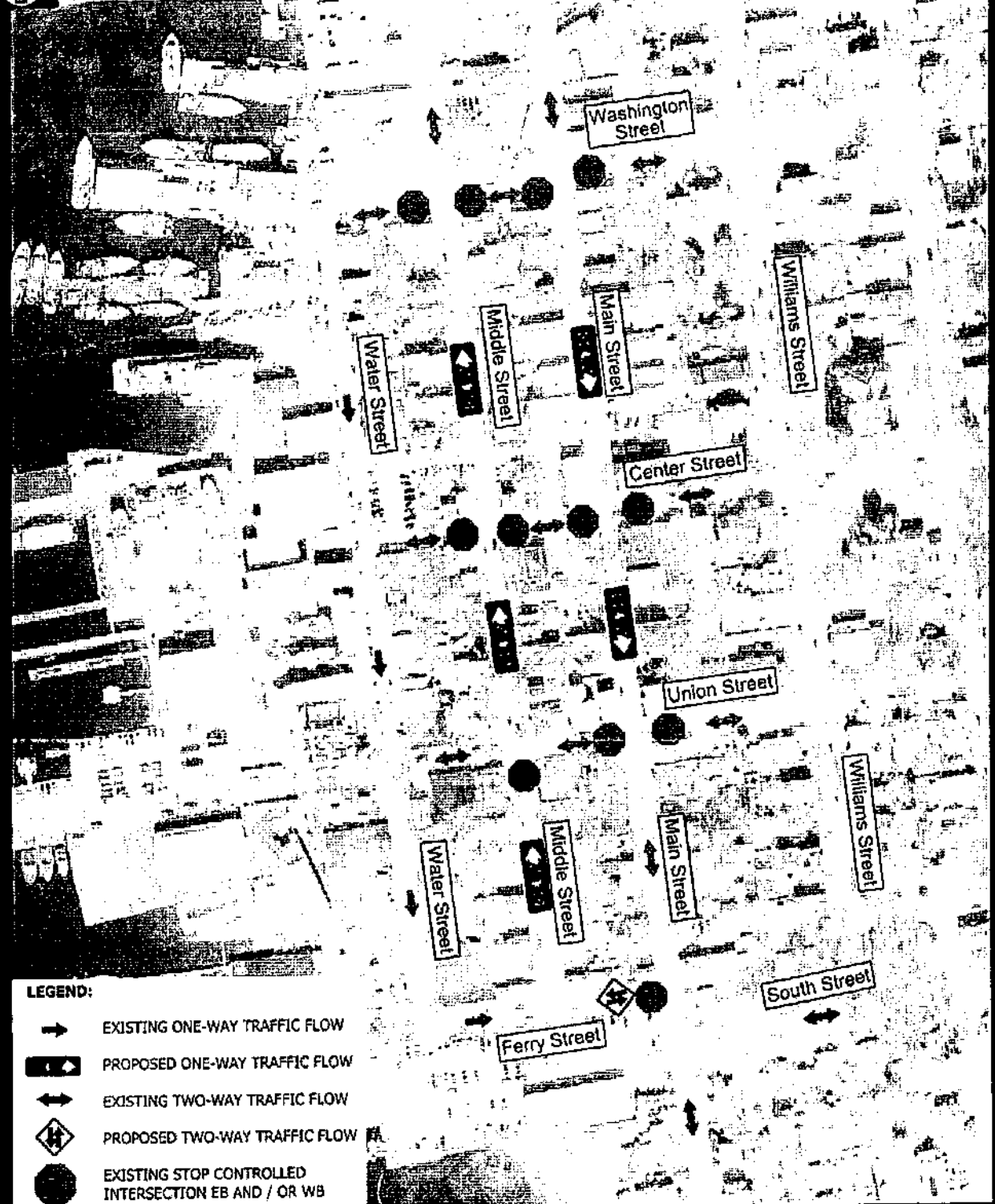
Proposed One-Way Traffic Flow Conditions



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Monday, April 27, 2026

CORRESPONDENCE

1. 2026 July 4th Parade invitation
2. Public Works: Proposed One Way Traffic Alterations: Public Informational Meeting

2026 July 4th Parade invitation

1 message

July 4th Parade <july4thparade@fairhaven-ma.gov>

Wed, Apr 15, 2026 at 7:00 PM

To: Charles K Murphy Sr <cmurphy@fairhaven-ma.gov>, Keith Silvia <ksilvia@fairhaven-ma.gov>, "Natalie A. Mello" <namello@fairhaven-ma.gov>, Keith Hickey <gsamia@fairhaven-ma.gov>, Andrew Romano <aromano@fairhaven-ma.gov>, Andrew Saunders <asaunders@fairhaven-ma.gov>, Select Board <selectboard@fairhaven-ma.gov>
Cc: Amy Hart <ahart@fairhaven-ma.gov>



To the Honorable Select Board and the Town Administrator,

As we celebrate MA250, marking 250 years since the American Revolution, this year's Fourth of July holds special significance for our community. Fairhaven's historic role as the site of the first naval battle of the American Revolution makes this commemoration especially meaningful.

The day's celebration will begin with the traditional raising of the big American flag at Fairhaven High School, followed by an antique car cruise through town, which will make its way to join the parade lineup at the corner of Washington and Green Streets.

The parade will step off promptly at 9:00 AM proceeding down Green Street to Fort Phoenix. The parade will be followed by a commemorative ceremony at the Fort, featuring the Independence Day Program and the traditional cannon firing by the Fairhaven Village Militia.

We would be honored to have the Select Board and the Town Administrator march with us as we celebrate our nation's independence and reflect on Fairhaven's proud and courageous history during this special MA250 commemoration.

Please RSVP by July 1, 2026 to:

July4thparade@fairhaven-ma.gov

We look forward to celebrating our nation's birthday together.

Respectfully,

The Fairhaven July 4th Celebration Team

Wayne and Vicki Oliveira (parade and ceremony coordinators)

John Medeiros (car cruise coordinator)

Alyssa Botelho (Discover Fairhaven)

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April 17, 2026

Re: Proposed One Way Traffic Alterations

Dear Resident / Property Owner:

Enclosed please find a copy of proposed traffic flow alterations that are being considered to help mitigate ongoing safety concerns for your narrow streets. We have been working with a design engineering consultant to evaluate the feasibility of converting several roads in Town to one way flow to ease the risk of conflict for two-way travel while maintaining the existing desired on-street parking demands.

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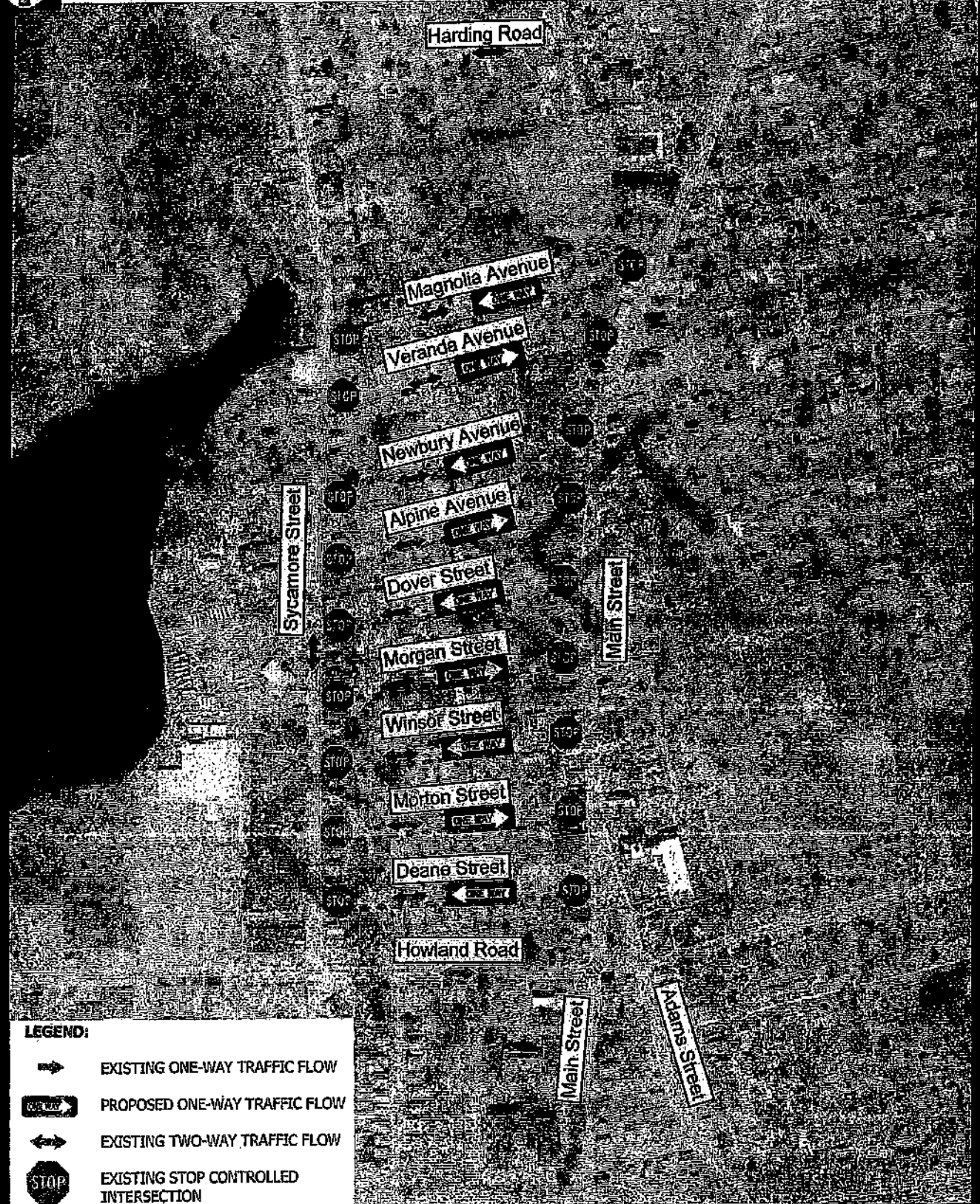


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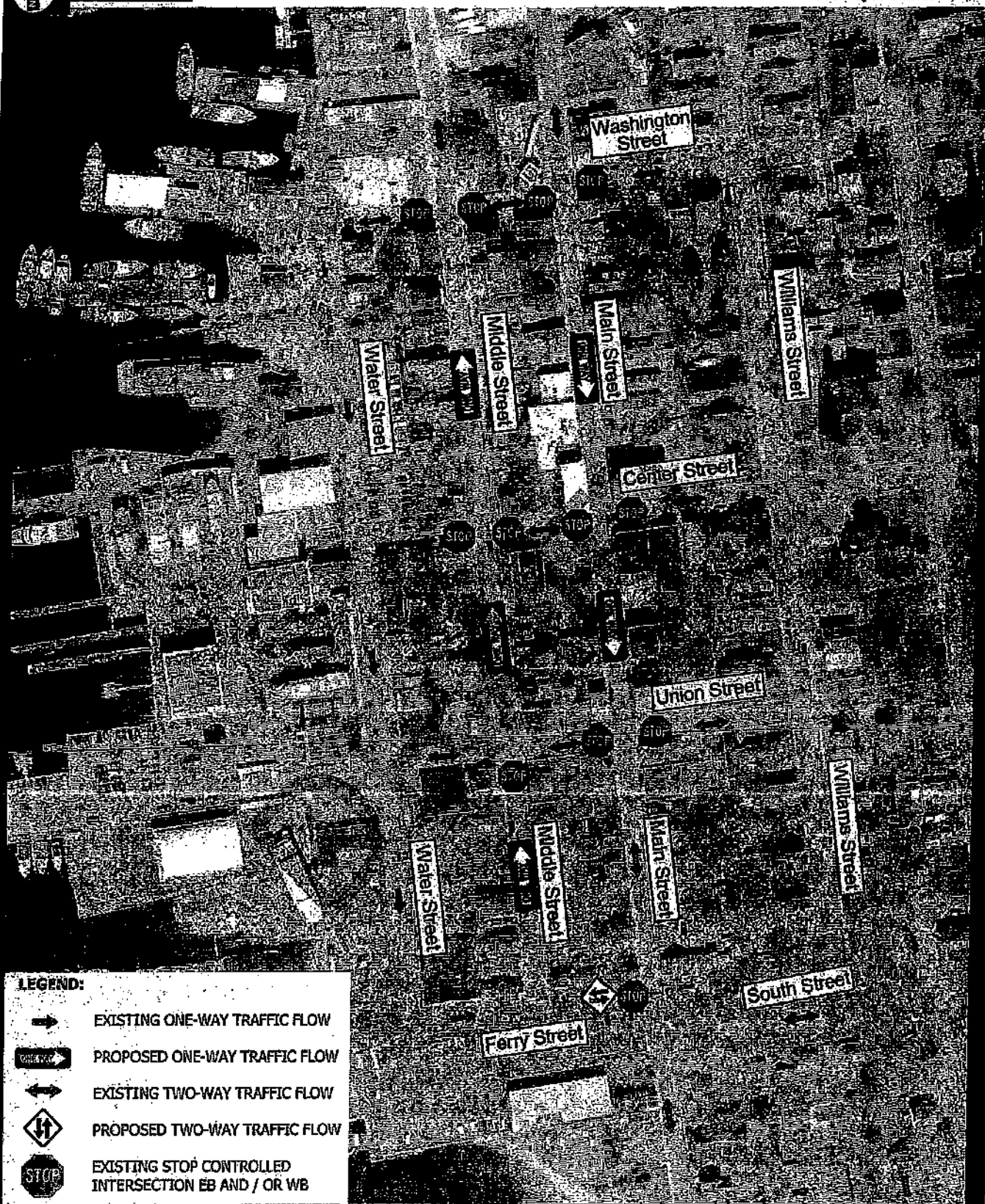
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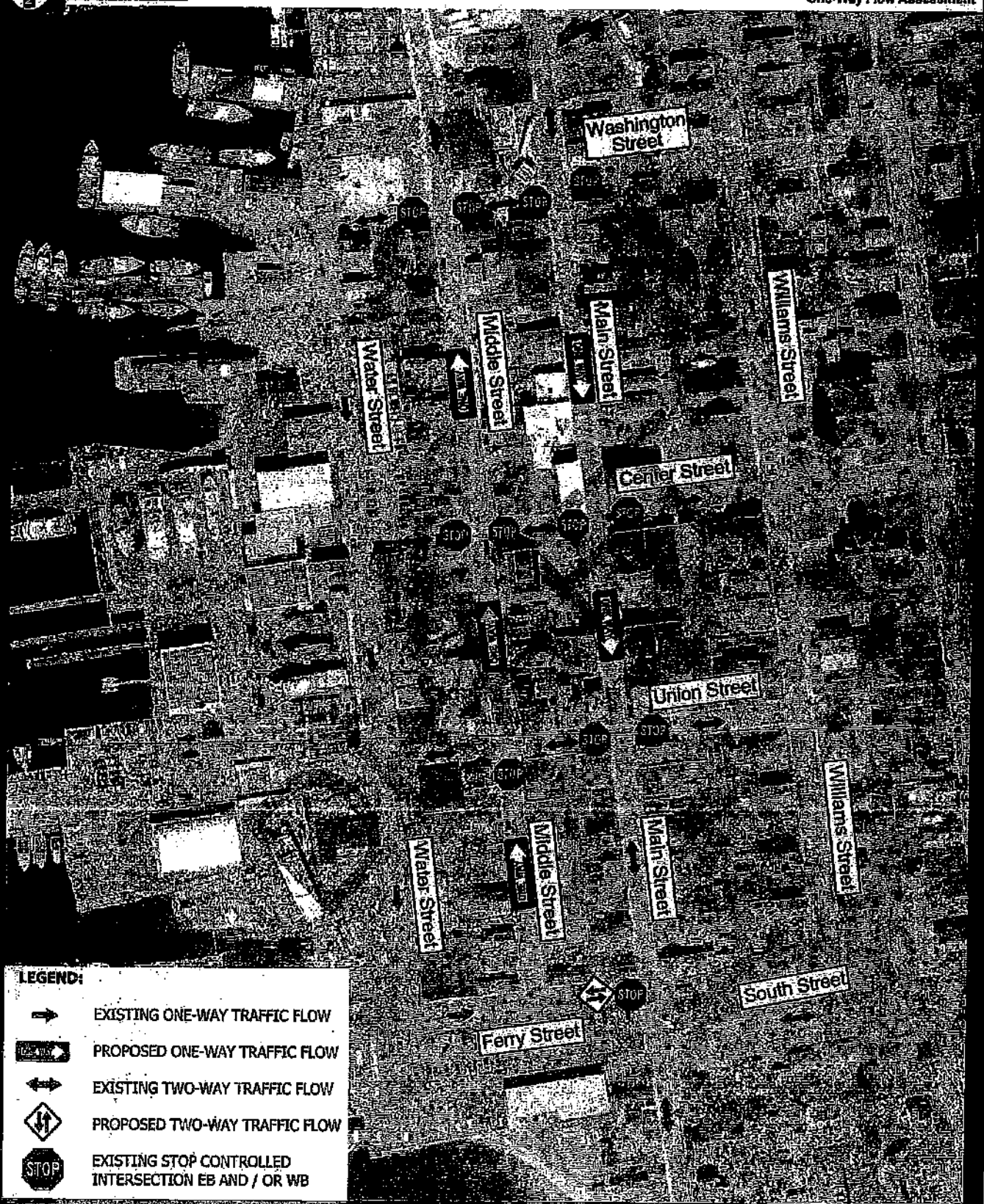


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