

2010 Medway Annual Town Meeting Warrant Article – Summary Overview

Article #33 – Zoning Bylaw – Expand uses allowed in Industrial III Zoning District

Sponsor: Planning and Economic Development Board

Type of Article: Zoning Bylaw Amendment

Summary - This article provides for additional allowed (by right) uses in the Industrial III Zoning District (495 Business Park/west side of Medway). The additional uses pertain to alternative and renewable energy manufacturing and research/development facilities.

Reason/Purpose for Article: As part of the Town's work toward Massachusetts Green Community Designation, we need to amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow for manufacturing of energy conservation, renewable and alternative energy products; energy related research and development facilities; and alternative energy generation facilities. This article provides for manufacturing and research/development in the Industrial III Zoning District.

Background:

Estimate of the revenue or expense impact to the Town: Allowing these uses will expand the development opportunities in Medway which may lead to improved tax base and increased property tax revenues.

How does this article align with overall town planning goals? Help implement many of the economic development goals of the Medway Master Plan – maximize economic development resources; make Medway more business friendly; increase industrial base.

Any interdependence between or among this article and others?
Articles 31 – 34 re: Zoning Bylaw amendments to allow for energy

Concerns/issues/expected opposition? None anticipated.