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Finance Committee Recommendations
Special Town Meeting

S-1	Free Cash Appropriation	Recommend	This article appropriates the surplus money from FY14, as certified by the state. The FinCom supports the designation of approximately 60 percent of this designation to cover snow and ice deficits and stabilization funds. The remaining allocation represents reasonable and responsible uses of these funds.
S-2	Free Cash—Assabet River Rail Trail	Recommend	This article appropriates \$120,000 from FY14 free cash for the purchase of easements on private land for the completion of the Rail Trail.
S-3	Overlay Release Appropriation	Recommend	The article spends money that had been held to cover tax abatements, but is no longer needed. These funds will be used to support improvements to the infrastructure and technology hardware in the School Department. While the School Department has applied for matching funds through the state, the expenditure of these funds is not contingent upon receiving said funds.
S-4	Water Retained Earnings	Recommend	The Finance Committee support the spending of retained earnings on facilities and equipment in support of the water department
S-5	Sewer Retained Earnings	Recommend	The Finance Committee supports the spending of retained earnings on facilities and equipment in support of the sewer department.
S-6	CPA Reserve Appropriation	Does not Recommend	While the Finance Committee supports the vast majority of the CPA appropriation, there were specific concerns regarding the need of the proposal for Memorial Park and the cost associated with the Historical Artifacts Preservation Project.
S-7	Acton St Zoning	Recommend	Finance Committee recommendation is contingent upon finalization of the Development Agreement. The committee believes that this change will provide needed revenue to the town and development of a long dormant parcel of land.
S-8	Purchase Real Property	Recommend	This article supports the expansion of parking in downtown and further meets the Community Development Principles to revitalize the riverfront.
S-9	Coolidge to BOS	Recommend	This article is required, as the School Department is no longer making use of this facility.