

# Masconomet Capital Plan Discussion with Member Towns

# Capital Planning History, 2001-present\*



- MS Renovation/HS New Construction completed 2001.
- Only \$2.7m spent on "Capital" improvements from 2006-2023
  - District did not have a Capital Plan over this time period.
- Habeeb Report, January 2017
  - Identified ~\$28M in capital work to be done in "next 10 years" (2017-2027).
- Masconomet Capital Plan, February 2023
  - Identified ~\$46M in Capital needs, including artificial turf fields.

\*From 10/25 SC Presentation



# Capital Plan Proposal\* Masco SC has been discussing

- Goal: Have concrete plans in place in time for inclusion of Capital Articles in 2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrants
  - Authority to borrow \$ requires unanimous approval of three town meetings.
  - Target February 1, 2024
- In order to achieve this, at the October 25, 2023 SC Meeting, SC Leadership and Administration proposed presenting Capital Plan at Town Meeting in three Warrant Articles
  1. Funding for OPM and Design Work to replace/upgrade BMS and HVAC System and replace roof ~\$5M (20% of estimated construction cost of ~\$25M).
  2. Funding for Turf Field Construction ~\$10M, less any fundraising.
  3. Funding for other “Agreed Priority” Capital Projects ~\$10M.
    - Charge District Capital Investment Subcommittee and Administration with identifying the projects for this list.

\*presented at 10/25 School Committee Meeting



# Why This Approach?\*

- BMS, HVAC & Roof OPM and Design: \$5M
  - State law requires Owner's Project Manager for Construction Projects over \$1.5M.
  - Design work necessary for firm cost estimates for entire project. Current construction estimate \$25M for project. OPM and Design Work is budgeted at 20% (5% for OPM, 15% for Designer).
  - Design work will identify potential energy efficiencies and cost-benefit analysis.
  - Will plan to seek funding for construction at later Town Meeting.
- Turf Field: ~\$10M(est.), less any amount privately fundraised.
  - Project will have updated construction estimates in early 2024 based on current schematic design work.
  - Project cannot be put out to bid until 100% of funding is identified.
  - Fundraising is ongoing. Will use funds raised by 2/1/24 or 2/1/25 in a Warrant Article based on continued discussions by the SC.
- Agreed Priorities List: ~\$10M
  - 2023 Capital Plan identified multiple smaller projects in need of immediate attention, including elevator refurbishment, cell phone amplification system and replacement of outdoor track.
  - DCI subcommittee and administration will review list and propose which to recommend to full SC for inclusion in future Warrant article(s).

\*presented at 10/25 School Committee Meeting



# Progress on “Bucket 1” -Roof, HVAC, Building Management System

- Discussed on 10/25
- Roof, HVAC and Building Management System is a NEED and one that could be catastrophic to the district if not dealt with
- Electrification and Accessibility Studies are underway
- Approval for funds for OPM and Designer for Bucket #1 will allow for design phase to move forward, this will allow the District to obtain pricing
- Capital Funds would then need to be asked for/voted on to complete the construction
- Based on discussion, Masco SC leadership believes this will move forward for inclusion in 2024 Town Meeting Warrants



## Bucket #2 - Turf Fields

- Long history of discussing turf fields at Masco with private groups who have been committed to fundraising and provided funds for feasibility studies among other things
- December 2022 - SC, at request of Turf Up Masco, voted to ask for towns to fund design and permitting of Phase 1 of Masco Turf Fields
- May 2023 - Funding approved in all 3 towns. As of today, design and permitting are underway
- Masconomet Sports Foundation, Inc. f/k/a Turf Up Masco, a 501(c)(3) entity has committed to continued fundraising efforts to with goal of fully funding project
- In order to start when permitting is complete and avoid cost estimates that go stale, but while waiting for private funds, District administration and SC leadership believes it is necessary to ask Towns to fund construction costs
- This has been discussed by SC and will continue to be discussed; Turf Up will provide an additional update in late January



## Bucket #3 - Agreed Priorities List

- Project being undertaken by District Capital Investment Subcommittee
- DCI is looking at the “all other” categories and working with Administration on priorities
- DCI will present at a future SC meeting



# FY2025 Budget Process

- Budget Process is underway
- To date, Masconomet has received a guidance letter from Topsfield



## *Masconomet Regional School District*

### FY25 BUDGET CALENDAR

as of October 2, 2023



OCTOBER 20, 2023	FY25 BUDGET KICK-OFF MEMO DISTRIBUTED TO MRSD BUDGET HOLDERS
OCTOBER 27, 2023	DISTRICT DISTRIBUTES OCTOBER 1, 2023 RESIDENT STUDENT ENROLLMENT TO TOWNS
OCTOBER 27, 2023	DISTRICT SUBMITS JULY 1, 2023 E & D TO MA DOR FOR CERTIFICATION
NOVEMBER 29, 2023	FY25 BUDGET MEETING WITH TOWN OFFICIALS #1
JANUARY 17, 2024	FY25 BUDGET RECOMMENDATION PRESENTED TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
JANUARY 31, 2024	SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONDUCTS FY25 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS
FEBRUARY 7, 2024	FY25 BUDGET MEETING WITH TOWN OFFICIALS #2
FEBRUARY 14, 2024	SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONDUCTS FY25 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS
FEBRUARY 16, 2024	DISTRICT MAILES TENTATIVE FY25 BUDGET TO TOWN OFFICIALS
FEBRUARY 28, 2024	SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONDUCTS FY25 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS
MARCH 6, 2024	SCHOOL COMMITTEE HOLDS FY25 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
MARCH 6, 2024	SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONDUCTS FY25 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS
MARCH 11, 2024 (MON)	SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONDUCTS FY25 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS (IF NEEDED)
MARCH 18, 2024 (MON)	SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONDUCTS FY25 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS (IF NEEDED)
MARCH 20, 2024	SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONDUCTS FY25 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS
MARCH 20, 2024	SCHOOL COMMITTEE ADOPTS FINAL FY25 BUDGET
APRIL 12, 2024	DISTRICT TREASURER CERTIFIES FY25 BUDGET WITH TOWNS
MAY 2024	ANNUAL TOWN MEETINGS



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Questions?

