

ARTICLE 4

ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S CORRECTION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CORRECTION

In the Advisory Committee's report under Article 4, there is incorrect information on p. 4-25 under the heading *Section 3.7.2 of the Town's By-laws and Advisory Committee Recommendations*.

It is not Section 3.7.2 of the Town By-laws that requires the feasibility study for the 9th school to be presented to Town Meeting before proceeding to schematic design, but rather the vote of the 2018 Annual Town Meeting under Article 9, Special appropriation # 66, that requires the outcome of the feasibility study to be provided to Town Meeting before moving on to schematic design.

This correction does not change the key information reported in the Advisory Committee report on Article 4: Town Meeting must receive the results of a feasibility study for a 9th school prior to voting to appropriate funds for such a school.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Because the subject matter of Articles 3E and 4 will be considered at the December 13 Special Town Meeting instead of at a continuation of the November 13 Special Town Meeting, the Advisory Committee will meet on November 13 to consider changing its recommendations on those two Articles from Postpone Indefinitely to No Action.

ARTICLE 1

PLANNING BOARD REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

This warrant article, submitted by the Select Board, proposes to revise the location requirements for marijuana retailers established in Spring 2018 by requiring that the 200 foot distance minimum between retailers at street level be applicable to all marijuana retailers, regardless of where in a building a retailer is located. Previously, above ground or below-ground locations could be exempt from this 200 foot separation requirement.

Although this past spring the Planning Board voted to recommend approval of the marijuana zoning articles, after additional consideration the Board agrees with the Select Board that it would be better if the 200 foot distance applied to all marijuana retailers, regardless of whether the establishment is located at street level, or on a lower or higher floor. Any impacts caused by traffic, parking or queuing on the sidewalk by customers could be the same regardless of the retailer's location in a building. This amendment will help protect the integrity of Brookline's streetscapes and encourage marijuana retailers to be spread throughout Brookline's commercial areas, rather than in the same area. Therefore, the Planning Board recommends **FAVORABLE ACTION** on Article I as proposed.