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Diane Crory, Town Clerk
37 Shattuck Street – P.O. Box 1305
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RE: Littleton Annual Town Meeting of May 3, 2010 --- Case # 5725(A)
Warrant Articles # 15 and 18 (General)

Dear Ms. Crory:

Article 15 - We return with the approval of this Office the amendments adopted under this Article on the warrant for the Littleton Annual Town Meeting held on May 3, 2010.

Article 18 - We remind the Town that we issued our decision on this Article in a letter dated November 9, 2010.

Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date that these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

If the Attorney General has disapproved and deleted one or more portions of any by-law or by-law amendment submitted for approval, only those portions approved are to be posted and published pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32. We ask that you forward to us a copy of the final text of the by-law or by-law amendments reflecting any such deletion. It will be sufficient to send us a copy of the text posted and published by the Town Clerk pursuant to this statute.

Nothing in the Attorney General's approval authorizes an exemption from any applicable state law or regulation governing the subject of the by-law submitted for approval.

Very truly yours,

MARTHA COAKLEY
ATTORNEY GENERAL

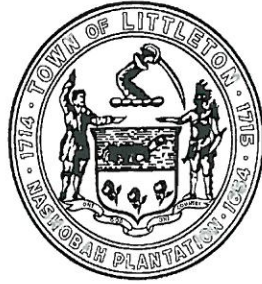
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cc: Town Counsel (via email)



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ATTEST: Alene Crowl



BY-LAW AMENDMENTS
LITTLETON, MASSACHUSETTS

Town of Littleton
Office of the Town Clerk

At the Annual/Special Town Meeting held on Monday, May 3, 2010 and completed on Tuesday May 4, 2010 amendments to the Town General by-laws were adopted as follows and are being submitted to you for approval:

ACCEPTANCE BY THE TOWN OF LITTLETON:

ARTICLE 15
Planning Board/Board of Selectmen
By-law Amendment: Digital Plan Submittals

Unanimously voted by the Town through Consent Calendar Items and declared a vote by Town Moderator to amend the Town Code, by inserting a new Chapter 138, as follows:

Chapter 138, PLANS, FILING OF

§ 138-1. Electronic Files.

To facilitate maintaining the Town of Littleton's records, for example the assessor's tax maps, an electronic file (the "standard digital file") of definitive subdivision plans and plans for which approval under the subdivision control law is not required pursuant to G.L. c.41, §81P shall be filed with the Planning Board within 15 business days after endorsement. The standard digital file shall comply with Level III of the current version of the MassGIS "Standard for Digital Plan Submission to Municipalities" (hereafter "the standard"), available on the Internet at <http://www.mass.gov/mgis/standards.htm>. The standard digital file submitted must comply with Level III of the standard, and the vertical datum shall be the North American Vertical Datum 1988.

Upon written request, the Planning Board may waive the requirement for submitting the standard digital file or for complying with Level III of the standard. In place of the Level III requirement, the Planning Board may allow submission of a standard digital file that complies with Level I. Any request for a waiver must include a statement as to why submitting a digital file is not possible or why the requirement should be for Level I of the standard."