



TOWN OF PRINCETON
Facilities Steering Committee, Phase II
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To: Residents of Princeton
From: Facilities Steering Committee, Phase II

The Selectboard established the Facilities Steering Committee, Phase II, to make recommendations, share information with voters and assist in the securing of funding for the development of plans and construction documents for a new public safety building to be built at the Princeton Center School site. We will regularly use a Question and Answer format to answer your questions and share the information we have learned.

Some residents have asked the question as to the need for a Phase II of the Facilities Steering Committee. Here is one of the questions we received on the topic:

As the Facilities Steering Committee, Phase II, is not tasked with finding/considering alternatives to the JWA proposal, possibly less expensive alternatives, and the residents voted no when asked to fund the \$7,000,000 project, what exactly is the purpose?

Here is our answer:

The request for full funding for design and construction of a public safety facility passed at the Annual Town Meeting but failed to get voter support for debt exclusion funding at the subsequent Town Election (ballot) vote. In an effort to keep the process moving forward, the Selectboard decided to bring to the voters a request for funding of design and construction documentation without the request for the full construction funding. This will better position the town to receive state funding if any is available. It will also enable the town to explore alternatives to reduce the construction cost of a new facility. This effort will not replace the JWA work but build upon it. The charge for the Facilities Committee Phase II is being modified to reflect these deliverables.

For more information, please go to:
http://town.princeton.ma.us/Pages/PrincetonMA_BComm/facilitiessteer

If you have questions that you would like answered, please email:
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