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March 2025 Newsletter

Town Meeting Overwhelmingly Approves Reducing Capacity for Multi-family Zoning

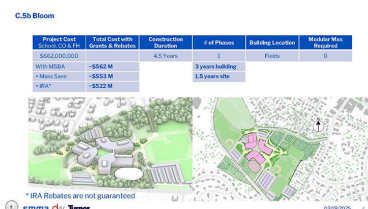
On March 17, Town Meeting voted to pass Article 2 by a substantial majority (164-9-5). This zoning modification significantly reduced the capacity for by-right multi-family housing that can be built under Lexington's 2023 zoning changes, which were made in response to the state's MBTA Communities Act. In passing Article 2, Lexington has taken a proactive step to ensure that future student enrollment aligns with the Bloom design's capacity, ensuring that the new high school will be both appropriately sized and adaptable to meet future needs.

Related Links:

- [Lexington Observer article](#)
- Article 2 [slide presentation](#)
- Article 2 [video presentation](#)
- Superintendent's Memo: ["Bloom" is the right size for anticipated enrollment](#)

March SBC Community Forum News

On March 19, the School Building Committee hosted Community Forum #10. After brief project updates, the SBC and project team members responded to both pre-submitted and live questions from community members. Key topics discussed included:



taxpayer impact of the project. One example is the potential mitigation model provided in this presentation, which shows how tax increases could ramp up gradually by utilizing the Capital Stabilization Fund. The presentation also notes that the impact of the LHS project will be somewhat offset as other town debt payments end over the next decade. (See [presentation slides](#), page 21. View the [recording of the presentation](#) where this is discussed at 00:23:45 and again at 1:01.)

- **Enrollment capacity:** The project team reiterated that the Bloom design is flexible enough to accommodate potential enrollment increases due to Lexington's MBTA zoning, as confirmed by Dr. Hackett.
- **Related Links:**
 - [Community Forum Recording](#)
 - [Community Forum Presentation](#)

**Save the Date! Upcoming Community Forums, all at 6:30pm:
May 21, June 17, and August 13**

Want to make an impact in the Yes4Lex campaign?

One simple and effective way to help is to **host a coffee gathering** for your friends, family, or neighbors. These "coffees" are a fantastic opportunity to share information, spark conversations, and spread awareness about this critical vote. And you don't need to worry about answering questions or leading the conversation - a Yes4Lex team member will attend and handle that part!

You can host a coffee anytime—during the day or evening, any day of the week—and it doesn't require a big time commitment. It's a low-pressure way to engage your community and help the campaign build support among voters.

Ready to get started? Fill out our [volunteer form](#) indicating you would like to host a coffee and we'll help you set everything up!

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