



**MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
MAYOR BREANNA LUNGO-KOEHN**

June 7, 2024

**Via Electronic Delivery**

To the Honorable President and  
Members of the Medford City Council  
City Hall  
Medford, MA 02155

**Re: Proposition 2 ½ Override Order and Ballot Question for Schools and DPW**

Dear President Bears and Members of the City Council:

I respectfully request and recommend that your Honorable Body approve the following as reviewed by Special Counsel:

**Ordered:** That the City, pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C(g), shall seek voter approval at the biennial state election to be held on November 5, 2024 to assess taxes in excess of the amount allowed pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C for the general operation of Medford Public Schools and Department of Public Works; and that, toward that end, that the Elections Department is hereby directed to notify the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the within vote of the City Council to place the following question on the ballot for use by the City at the November 5, 2024 biennial state election:

*Shall the City of Medford be allowed to assess an additional \$3,500,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for FY 2025 general operations of the Medford Public Schools (\$3,000,000), including but not limited to funding costs of teacher(s), literacy coach(s), behavior specialist(s), administrative assistant(s), and nurse(s) positions, and for regular facilities maintenance, and for FY 2025 general operations of the Department of Public Works (\$500,000), including but not limited to additional staff for road and sidewalk infrastructure repair, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024?*

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Breanna Lungo-KoeHN  
Mayor

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