ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
MUNICIPAL ELECTION
MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
NOVEMBER 3, 2015

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS
A. To vote, completely fill in the OVAL ○ to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ○
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate’s name
on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

FOR MAYOR
For TWO Years
For ONE (1)
STEPHANIE MUCCINI BURKE
ROBERT M. PENTA
Write-in

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE
For TWO Years
Vote for not more than SIX (6)
ANN MARIE CUGNO
ERIN A. DIBENEDETTO
ROBERT EMMETT SKERRYS JR.
PAULETTE H. VAN DER KLOOT
JOHN J. AMIRAULT
KATHLEEN P. KREATZ
DAVID J. MCKILLOP JR.
CHRISTOPHER ADAM MURPHY
MEA QUINN MUSTONE
JANE M. WRIGHT
Write-in

FOR CITY COUNCIL
For TWO Years
For not more than SEVEN (7)
RICHARD F. CARAVIELLO
FREDERICK N. DELLO RUSSO JR.
ADAM KNIGHT
BREANNA LUNGO-KOHN
MICHAEL J. MARKS
MARK C. CROWLEY
CHRISTOPHER D’AVITA
LEONORE J. EFORO
JOHN C. FALCO JR.
NEAL E. MCSweeney
WILLIAM J. O’KEEFE JR.
NEIL OSBORNE
MICHAEL C. RUGGIERO
GEORGE A. SCARPELLI
Write-in

TURN OVER BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING ON QUESTION 1
Question 1

Shall the City of Medford accept the "Community Preservation Act" that is set forth in sections 3 to 7 inclusive of Chapter 44 B of the General Laws, a summary of which appears below?

Summary of Question

Section 3 to 7 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act, (hereinafter "the Act") establish a dedicated funding source to enable cities and towns to (1) acquire, create or preserve open space, which includes land for parks, recreational uses and conservation areas and rehabilitate local parks, playgrounds, and athletic fields, (2) acquire, preserve or rehabilitate historic buildings and resources, and (3) create affordable housing.

In Medford, the funding source for these community preservation purposes will be a surcharge of 1.5% (one and one half percent) on the annual property tax assessed on real property beginning in Fiscal Year 2017 and by annual contribution made by the state from a trust fund created by the Act. Only communities that adopt the Community Preservation Act receive a contribution from the State trust fund.

If approved the following will be EXEMPT from the surcharge: (1) property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the City of Medford, as defined in Section 2 of the Act, (2) $100,000. of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property, (3) $100,000. of the value of each taxable parcel of class three, commercial, and class four, industrial, properties as defined in G.L. c 69, §2A. A taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement or exemption will also receive a prorated reduction in the surcharge.

For example, if accepted by the City of Medford, a property with an assessed value of $400,000. would be surcharged approximately $52.65 per year (source: FY2015 residential tax rate of $11.70 per $1,000.). Any person who qualifies for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the City of Medford can apply for exemption from this surcharge.

Upon acceptance by the voters, a Community Preservation Committee will be established by ordinance to study community preservation needs, possibilities, and resources and to make annual recommendations to the City Council for approval on spending the funds. At least 10% of the funds for each fiscal year will be spent or reserved for later spending on each of the Act's three community preservation purposes: (1) open space and recreation, (2) historic resources and (3) affordable housing.

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING
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