TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: Justin Sultzbach, Town Manager

DATE: July 11th, 2022

RE: Transfer of Beech Street Property to the WRA

Board Members,

The Town of Winchendon formally voted to accept 3-11 Beech Street at our 2021 Fall Special Town Meeting. The Warrant also included a vote to transfer the property to the Winchendon Redevelopment Authority. Given that the deeds for the property have officially been recorded at the Worcester South Registry of Deeds as of June 29th, the Town now has full ownership and the ability to follow through on this transfer.

Once transferred, the WRA will work to remove the existing garage and grade out the site. Separately, the 2-Family home next door will be rehabbed and sold at a market rate. The proceeds from this sale will fund the eventual improvements to be seen on the graded garage site. It is likely that it will take about one year before the garage site will be officially built back up into a park, with final completion of this project expected to occur in 2024.

Recommended Motion: I move that the Board Transfer Parcels 1 and 2 as outlined in the presented documents to the Winchendon Redevelopment Authority in recognition of the passage of Article 15 of the November 8th, 2021 Special Town Meeting.