

School Building Project: Next Steps

Preparation for Town Meeting 2015



What is the Town's Vision?

- Which Project Pathway Will the Town Support?
 - Facilities Repair and Improvement: *Systems, Safety, and Security*
 - Educational Enhancements: *New Learning Spaces, Improved Layout, and Building Flexibility*
 - What is an Acceptable Cost Range?
- Should the Town Apply to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA)?
 - Which Pathway if Not Accepted?

Overview of Pathways

| PATHWAY 1: REPAIR | PATHWAY 2: RENOVATION | PATHWAY 3: COMPREHENSIVE RENOVATION |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilities Improvements Only • Estimated Cost to Lincoln \$13M - \$30M • Not MSBA Eligible | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilities Improvements • Some Educational Enhancements (“à la carte” approach) • Estimated Cost to Lincoln \$30M -- \$48M • Not MSBA Eligible | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive Project Addressing All Facilities Needs and Educational Enhancements • MSBA Eligible • <i>Estimated Cost to Lincoln \$55m -- \$67M</i> • With MSBA, Estimated Net Cost to Lincoln \$30M -- \$45M* |

*Net cost range based on 40% reimbursement on low end and 35% reimbursement rate on high end.



If We Apply to the MSBA...

- Reimbursement of 35% to 45% of eligible project costs.
- We must demonstrate Lincoln's strong desire to support an MSBA project:
 - ✓ A **2/3 majority VOTE at Town Meeting; majority VOTE at March 30th Ballot** to authorize submission of a Statement of Interest
 - ✓ School Committee will seek support of public officials and all Boards and Commissions
 - ✓ Community-member formation of a citizen support group?
 - ✓ We must approve up to \$750K for a Feasibility Study

+ Potential Timeline if Applying to the MSBA

Town Meeting 2015: VOTE to apply to MSBA

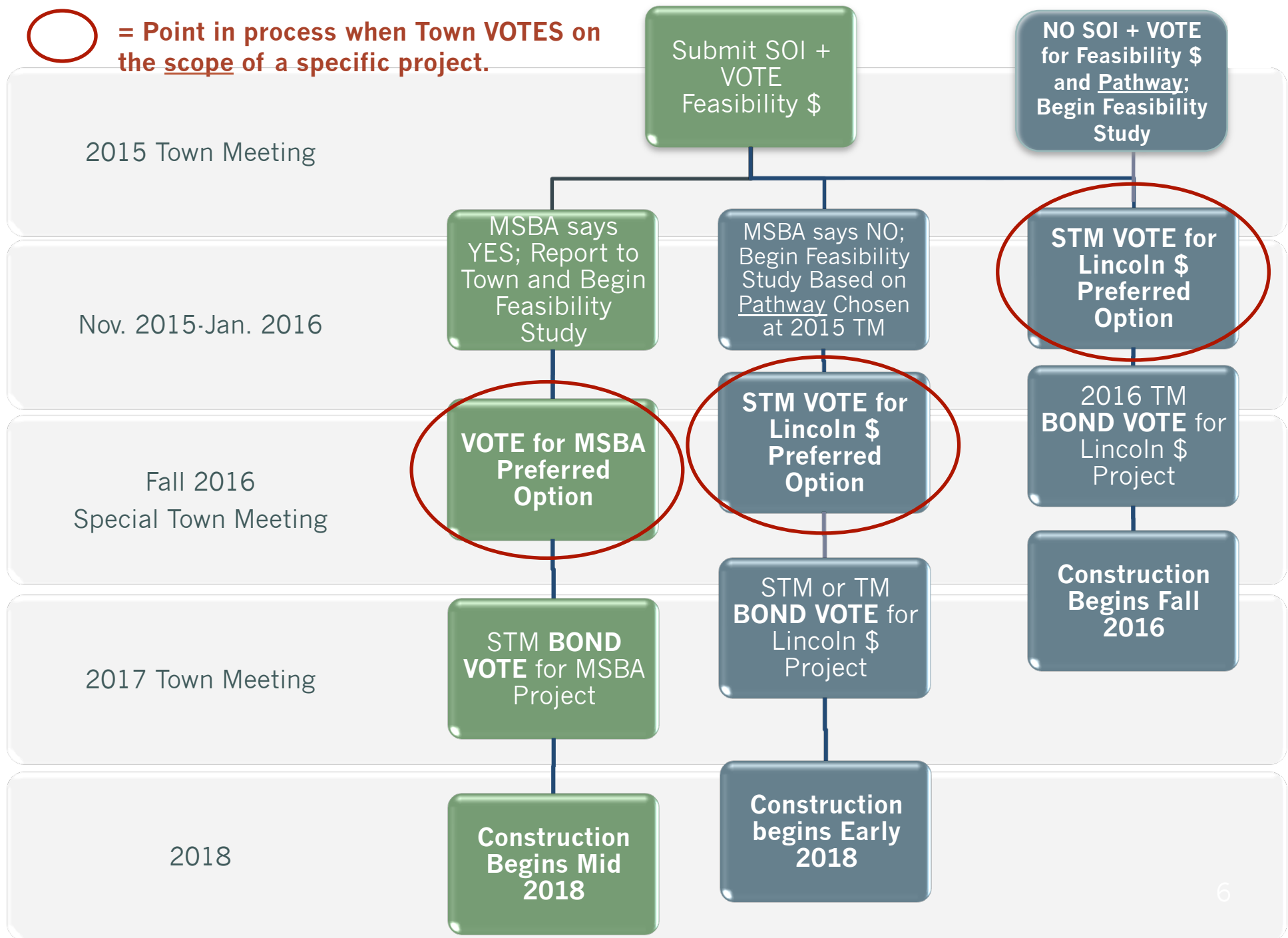
Nov. 2015-
Jan. 2016:
Response from MSBA

Fall 2016
Special Town Meeting:
VOTE on "Preferred Option"

2017 Town Meeting:
VOTE to BOND Project

**Mid-2018:
Begin Project**

○ = Point in process when Town VOTES on the scope of a specific project.





Weighing the MSBA Decision...

PROS

- More educational enhancements and facilities improvements for each tax dollar spent
- MSBA provides oversight of
 - cost
 - educational benefits
 - long-term planning

CONSIDERATIONS

- More wait time before a project can begin
- Influence over process



Warrant Articles: Idea #1

- Determine Town commitment to a renovation project that includes educational enhancements & costs the Town \$30M - \$48M
- Determine Town support for application to the MSBA
- Secure Feasibility Study funding
- Establish pathway if not working with the MSBA

VOTE #1

Will the Town commit to RENOVATION choices that meet most facilities needs and provide educational enhancements?

**Estimated Cost to Town:
\$30M-\$48M**

YES

NO

VOTE #2

Will the Town apply to the MSBA?

Will the Town approve up to \$... for a feasibility study for a REPAIR project?

**Estimated Cost to Town:
\$13M-\$30M**

YES

NO

Will the Town approve up to \$... for an MSBA feasibility study for a COMPREHENSIVE RENOVATION?

Net Estimated Project Cost to Town: \$30M-\$45M

Will the Town approve up to \$... for a feasibility study for an exclusively Town-funded RENOVATION project?

**Estimated Cost to Town:
\$30M-\$48M**

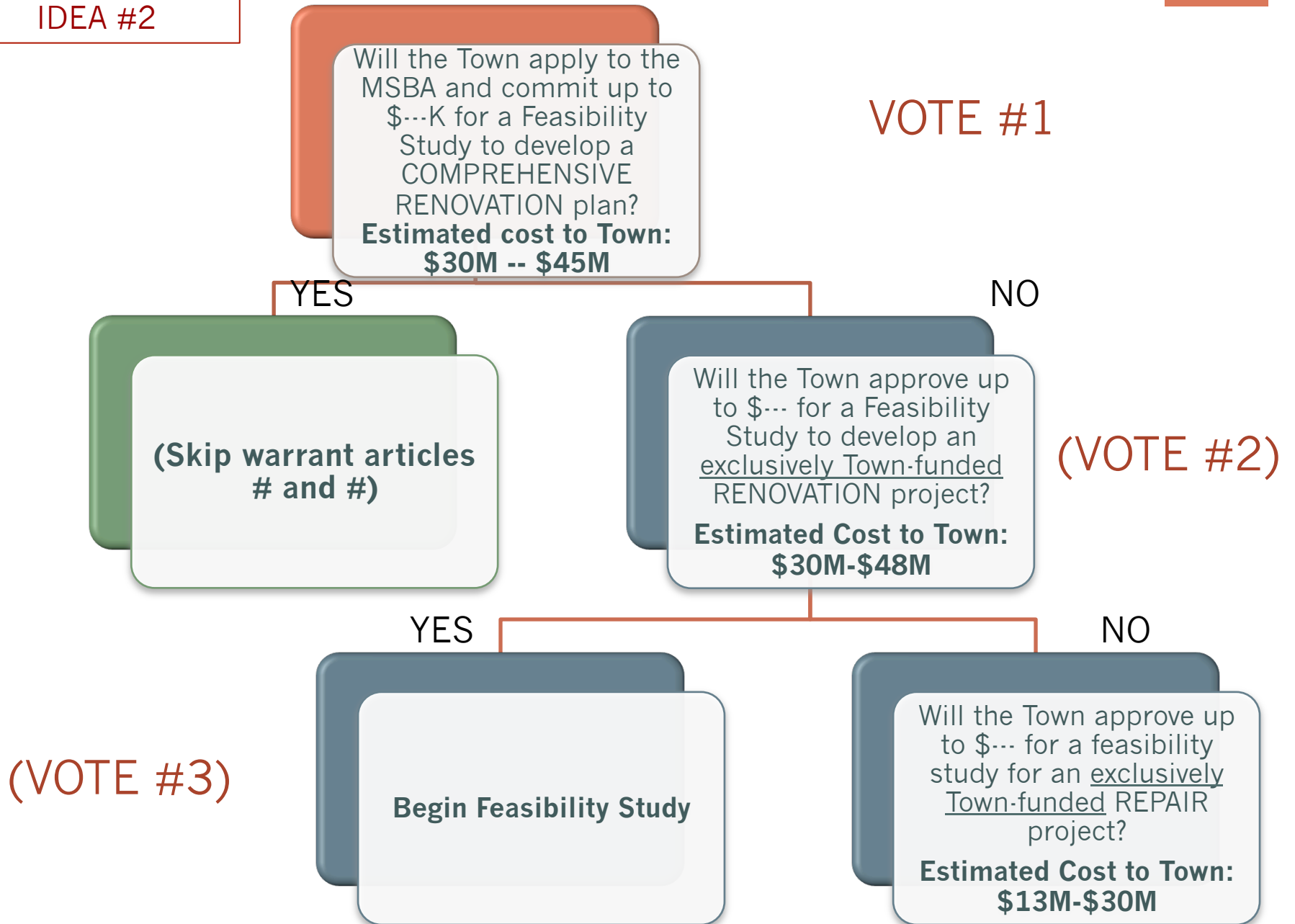
VOTE #3



Warrant Articles: Idea #2

- One-step approval of application to the MSBA and Feasibility Study funding
- Move on to other choices if no approval to submit
- Does not explicitly determine pathway if we apply to the MSBA but are not accepted

Warrant Articles:
IDEA #2





Warrant Articles: Idea #3

- Determine support for application to the MSBA
- Secure Feasibility Study funding
- Try to determine which pathway Town supports if not working with the MSBA

Warrant Articles: IDEA #3

VOTE #1

Will the Town apply to the MSBA?
Estimated Net Project Cost to Town: \$30M-\$45M

VOTE #2

YES

NO

Will the Town approve up to \$--- for a Feasibility Study?

Will the Town approve up to \$--- for a feasibility study for an exclusively Town-funded project?

VOTE #3

YES

NO

Which pathway will the Town support if we are not accepted into the MSBA process?

Which pathway will the Town support?

School Committee begins presenting a series of repair projects to CapCom every year

School Committee will eliminate any pathway that receives less than 34% support.



+ Questions & Feedback Activity



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Feedback on Warrant Idea #1:

| PROS | CONS | QUESTIONS |
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