

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Town of Medway

IDEA Committee

August 4, 2022 – 6PM

Sanford Hall – 155 Village Street

**Committee Members Present:** Dan Kerls (via Zoom) John Foresto, Susan Dietrich, Marques Crosby, Khalid Abdi, and Bill Kingsbury

**Committee Members Absent:** Brian Sharkey, Andrea Crow Henry, and Judith Lane

**Community Members Present:** None

**Call to Order:** At 6:00PM, Mr. Kerls called the meeting to order. He prompted a roll call and identified the presence of the following individuals: Dan Kerls (virtually present) John Foresto, Susan Dietrich, Marques Crosby, Khalid Abdi, and Bill Kingsbury

**Public Comment:** There were no public comments at this time.

### **1. Survey Updates**

Mr. Crosby noted that there are currently 78 responses to the survey.

Ms. Dietrich noted that she drafted a message to share with schools at the beginning of the following week. The message included information about the community forum, the survey, and prompted the community to review the presentation and complete the survey to share perspectives. It includes the deadline for submission (September 6, 2022) and a note of gratitude from the committee.

The committee agreed with this drafted message. The committee also agreed to send this message to all members of town boards and committees.

The committee also noted that they have already extended the deadline for submission of the survey once; they therefore determined that September 6, 2022 is an appropriate deadline.

### **2. Additional Focus Groups**

Mr. Foresto noted that the committee has not yet completed all of the focus groups that they originally planned to do; he clarified that it is an issue of schedule coordination. Specifically, he noted the veteran focus group and the religious organization focus group as currently outstanding.

Ms. Dietrich suggested identifying one week in which focus groups can be conducted; from there, the participants can choose a day and time. She suggested the week of August 15, 2022. The committee agreed with this approach and confirmed their availability.

### **3. Other Business**

The committee identified the week of October 17, 2022 as an appropriate time for their second community forum.

In anticipation of the second community forum, the committee agreed to review the data that was initially collected, as well as synthesizing new information. Ms. Dietrich suggested meeting in September to review all new information and compile it in a way that is conducive to presenting it to the community.

Mr. Foresto suggested also considering what the recommendation(s) of the Select Board will be.

Ms. Dietrich offered to determine the availability of the presentation room for the week of October 17, 2022.

**Motion to Adjourn:** At 6:28PM, Mr. Kerls offered a motion to adjourn. Mr. Foresto seconded this motion, which passed unanimously: Kerls: aye, Foresto: aye, Abdi: aye, Crosby: aye, Dietrich: aye, Kingsbury: aye.