



Measure #: 2026-036

TOWN COUNCIL MEASURE SUBMITTAL

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MEASURE DESCRIPTION:

Amend Article VI Sec.6-2 Annual budget policy to change "...no later than January 15" to "...no later than February 15". (CRC Report 6/9/25 p.5)

Signed: 

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

As stated in the June 9, 2025 Charter Review Committee Report:

"The CRC recommends changing the timing of the joint meeting between Council and the School Committee, as outlined in § 6.2, from January (prior to the 15th) to February (prior to the 15th). This suggestion was made to CRC and is worthy of consideration. In January, the budget projections are preliminary and based on developing information. Shifting the joint meeting to February would enable a more developed preliminary budget to be presented to the joint meeting.

In this revised approach, the Town Manager would first provide a general financial overview to only the Town Council in January. Then, in February, a joint meeting between the School Committee and Council would be held. At that meeting, the Town Manager would present the Town's financial condition, revenue and expenditure forecasts, and other relevant information needed to develop a coordinated budget. North Attleboro follows the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' budget timeline. According to M.G.L. c.n 44, § 32, the Town Manager must submit the budget to the Town Council within 170 days after the start of the state government's annual organization on January 1, setting North Attleborough's submission deadline at June 19. Therefore, we believe that shifting the joint meeting to February would remain in compliance with state law."

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

ATTACHMENTS:

REFER TO SUB-COMMITTEE: Bylaw

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