

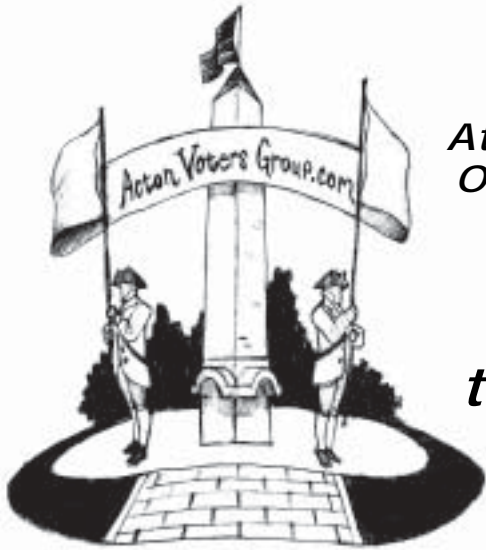
ACTON VOTERS:

*At the Special Town Meeting this Thursday night,
October 2nd, at 7 pm, at the High School's Upper
Gymnasium Field House, 36 Charter Rd.*

VOTE YES

to Reduce your Property Taxes!

We will be asking the Moderator for a secret ballot. It is the only fair way to vote.
Please support having a secret ballot.



Your YES vote will:

REDUCE everyone's property tax bills.
RETURN taxpayer money instead of wasting it.
SEND a clear message to our leaders to **stop deficit spending** which leads to overrides.
TRULY preserve reserves for future needs.
RESTORE taxpayer control over the process.
HELP struggling families during these tough economic times.

It will also:

NOT affect town or school services.
NOT put the town at risk.
NOT deplete town financial reserves.
NOT cause layoffs of town or school employees.
NOT stop needed sidewalk construction.
NOT stop projects which have taxpayer support.

But Your NO vote will:

DENY taxpayers an immediate reduction in their taxes this fiscal year.
EMBOLDEN town officials to deficit spend and have an Override in 3 years.
ENCOURAGE town leaders to spend away reserves from \$8 million to \$1.4 million, just like they did 3 years ago.
CONTINUE the risky strategy of intentional Overrides which is doomed to failure.
ENCOURAGE town officials to spend what they call "surplus" monies on pet projects.
INSURE town officials increase spending faster than residents' ability to pay.
DRIVE more businesses out of Acton.

Your NO vote will INCREASE YOUR TAX BILL by 4% this year and encourage town officials to continue their risky strategy of deficit spending and asking for a **multi-million dollar Override in less than three years.**

See our message in the Town Warrant, page 14-15, mailed to every household in Acton.

Don't allow your emotions to be influenced by scare tactics and misstatements. View a direct comparison between the two plans on the Acton Voters Group website.

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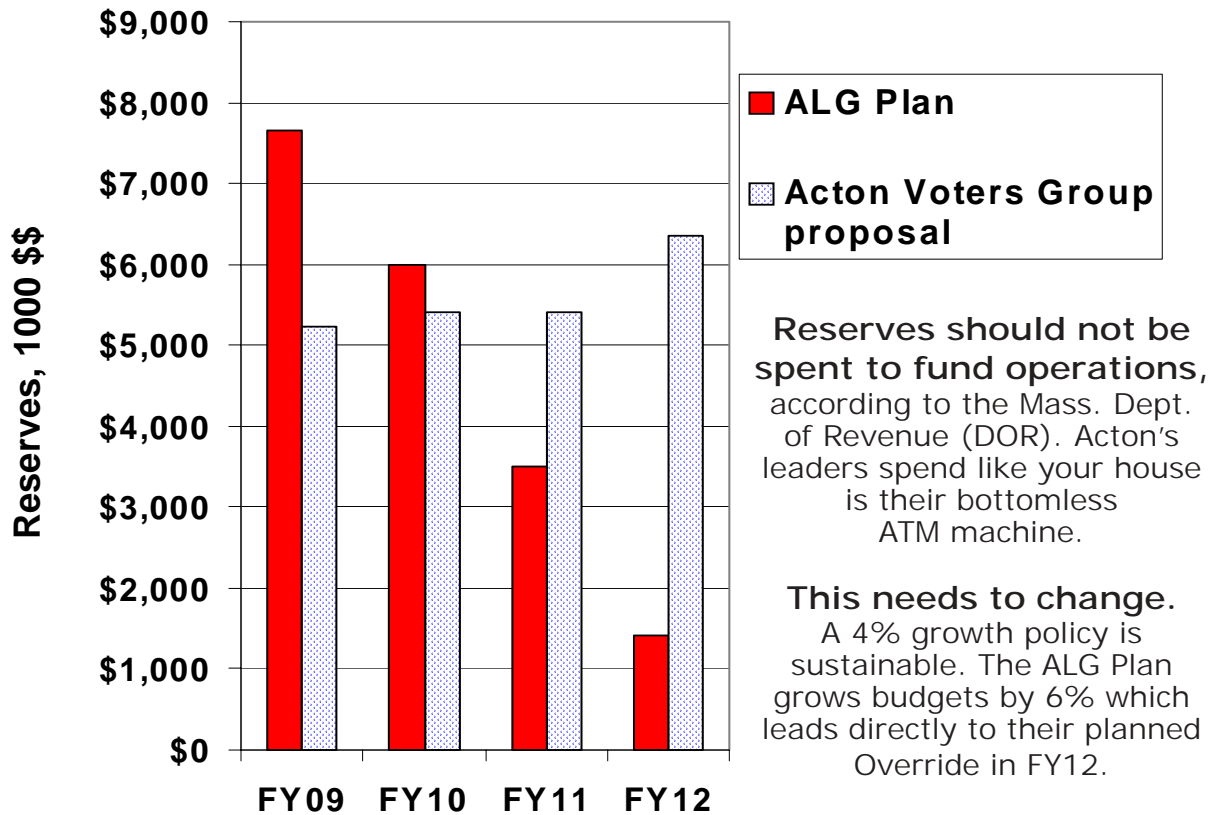
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“Acton Leadership Group” (ALG) Plan will spend reserves down to dangerously low levels, with an OVERRIDE already planned in three years.

Acton Voters Group alternative will preserve reserves.

Our Town Reserves

A comparison of the town plan to spend away reserves (page 10 of the warrant) and Acton Voters Group projections to increase reserves (page 15 of the warrant)



Town officials have recently funded several “feel good” projects that are nice to have but not necessary. Some of these projects were done without Town Meeting approval, using “budget surplus” monies at the end of year. Others are simply questionable in this economic climate.

- Entertainer’s changing rooms at NARA park (~\$150k).
- Exchange Hall renovations giving public monies to a private entity (~\$200k)
- Cobblestones and crosswalks at Town Hall (~\$100k)
- Consultants to get more “community input” and to “envision our future.”
- Consultants to redesign simple intersections.
- Consultants to make recommendations on Morrison Farm after 100-page town study.
- Improvements to 468 Main St. property with no specific purpose in mind.
- Hiring 30 new town and school employees during a recession.
- Funding capital projects with a secret plan to ask for a capital override after Town Meeting approves borrowing inside Prop 2 1/2.
- Clear cutting trees for projects like the North Acton Fire Station that are on hold.

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