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Date: January 26, 2024
To: Joseph Mooney, Board of Finance Chairman
From: James Cosgrove, First Selectman
Re: Appropriation Request
WIS Field Improvement Project

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Chairman Mooney,

At the last Board of Finance meeting, BL Companies presented the plan for field and amenity improvements at Walsh Intermediate School. As previously stated in my letter requesting the presentation, BL engaged representatives from the Board of Education, Department of Recreation, and various stakeholder groups, to ensure the development of a comprehensive project that captures the programmatic needs of the school, and addresses the demand for more fields in town. The proposed project received a favorable report from the Planning & Zoning Commission in response to the CGS 8-24 referral. On behalf of the Town, BL Companies submitted an application to the Inland Wetlands Commission, and the Planning & Zoning Commission. Both commissions approved the proposed project.

I believe that the Walsh Intermediate School field and site improvements will greatly benefit the students and the community as a whole. Therefore, I request the Board of Finance consider appropriating \$7,650,000 to fund the project.

Sincerely,



James B. Cosgrove