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## Council Order Concerning List Of Inspectors and Adjusters Relating to Blasting

WHEREAS, blasting is an activity that is regulated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law and regulations, prior to blasting, a permit must be received from the local Fire Department and various precautions must be undertaken; and

WHEREAS, as part of that process, blasting is monitored for dust, noise and vibrations; and

WHEREAS, that monitoring is limited to the immediate effects of the blasting, and does not encompass the long-term effects of underground vibrations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council supports property owners who wish to have their property inspected prior to blasting to ensure that any damage caused by the blasting can be documented;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL that the Town shall maintain, and make available to the public, a list of inspectors, adjustors and other professionals who offer pre-blasting inspection services. Any person who wishes to be included on the list shall be included upon their request. The Town shall not undertake any vetting of the listed inspectors, adjustors and other professionals and shall make no warranty or representation as to the quality of their work, but will maintain the list as a convenience to the public, so that the public may undertake whatever actions they deem necessary to ameliorate any long-term negative effects of the blasting on their property.