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ACTON MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES DEPARTMENT

INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION

To: Don P. Johnson, Town Manager *Date:* 6/1/07
From: Dean A. Charter, Municipal Properties Director *(DAC)*
Subject: Accept donation of water line for Meeting House hill

Attached please find a letter from the Acton Garden Club offering to donate a water line to be installed at Meeting House Hill to facilitate watering the plantings along Main Street. The Garden Club and the Town have worked cooperatively together for over forty years in establishing and maintaining the plantings on this parcel of town owned land. A water line in this area would be of great value to both this Department and the Club.

I recommend acceptance of this generous donation.

The Acton Garden Club, Inc.

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May 29, 2007

Board of Selectmen
Town of Acton
472 Main Street
Acton MA 01720

Dear Selectmen of the Town of Acton:

The Acton Garden Club respectfully asks the Board of Selectmen to accept the Club's donation of a waterline on Meeting House Hill that would run from the existing spigot located in the back corner of the property near the Wildflower Garden to the garden we call "Daffodil Run" that is on the embankment above the sidewalk along Main Street near its intersection with Nagog Hill Road.

For the trenching and installation of the waterline, we intend to use the donated services of Kenneth Dews, a licensed businessman, who installs rainwater recovery systems and who happens to be the brother of one of our club members. His business is RainStay, 4 Melody Lane, Chelmsford, MA 01824, 978-250-9491 (cell phone). For more information, you may visit his website at <http://www.rainstay.com>. He has a small backhoe, has seen the site, and will call Dig-Safe in accordance with state law. The Acton Garden Club will restore the lawn.

Our goal is to reduce the significant time and labor involved for our club members who must drag hoses from the spigot at the back of Meeting House Hill across the entire hill to the Route 27 embankment, over 150 feet, each time we water the garden. Dean Charter is advising us on requirements and specifications for the project.

We hope that you will look favorably on our project and accept our donation to the Town of Acton. Please let us know if there's any further information you need. We thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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