TOWN OF WINCHESTER NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING -- TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022 REFERENDUM -- SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2022

A special town meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Winchester, Connecticut, will be held at the Isabelle M. Pearson Middle School, 2 Wetmore Avenue, in Winsted, Connecticut, on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. for the following purposes:

I. To consider a resolution,

- to appropriate \$24,700,000, for costs related to capital improvement projects (a) consisting of (1) repairs and improvements to various Town roadways, identified in the "Initial Selection of Roads for 5 Year Capital Plan" dated January 18, 2022, prepared by the Public Works Department and on file in the office of the Public Works Department, consisting of milling and removal of waste materials, paving and materials, installation of manholes and drainage risers, traffic protection, including signage and police and flag personnel, and related costs; (2) repairs and improvements to various sidewalks, consisting of demolition and removal of waste materials, installation of new materials, and related costs; (3) repairs and improvements to the drainage system along Highland Lake, consisting of demolition and removal of waste materials, acquisition and installation of piping, collection basins and other materials, traffic protection, including signage and police and flag personnel, and related costs; and, (4) acquisition and equipping of an aerial ladder truck or other apparatus for the Fire Department. As necessary and appropriate, the appropriation may be spent for design, demolition and construction costs, equipment, materials, utilities, site improvements, survey costs, architects' fees, engineering fees, other consultants' fees, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the respective project. The Board of Selectmen, upon the recommendation of the Town Manager and the Public Works Department, is authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the projects, allocate funds between the projects, and may reduce or modify the scope of the projects, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the projects as so reduced or modified.
- (b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$24,700,000 to finance in part the appropriation; to provide that the amount of bonds or notes authorized to be issued shall be reduced by any grants received for the project to the extent that such grants are not separately appropriated to pay additional project costs; and to authorize the issue of temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$24,700,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes and the receipt of grants; to authorize the Mayor/First Selectman and the Town Manager, or either of them, and the Director of Finance of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes; to require any additional bonds, after the initial issuance of bonds, issued pursuant to this resolution to be subject to approval by a vote of the Board of Selectmen; to take such action to allow temporary advances of available funds which the Town reasonably expects will be reimbursed from the proceeds of borrowings; and to authorize a majority of the Selectmen and the Treasurer to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as they deem necessary or advisable in order to maintain the continued exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the bonds or notes authorized by the resolution

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if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years; and to authorize the Mayor/First Selectman and the Town Manager, or either of them, and the Director of Finance to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes to provide secondary market disclosure information, which agreements may include such terms as they deem advisable or appropriate in order to comply with applicable laws or rules pertaining to the sale or purchase of such bonds or notes; and

- (c) to authorize the Mayor/First Selectman, the Town Manager, the Director of Finance and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project, to issue bonds and notes and to obtain grants and other fonds to finance the aforesaid appropriation.
- 2. Pursuant to Sections 305,313,916 and 1001 of the Town Chatter, said town meeting shall be adjourned at its conclusion to submit the aforesaid resolution to be presented under item 1 of this notice to referendum vote between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 28, 2022. Electors and persons qualified to vote in town meetings who are not electors shall vote at the following polling place:

Isabelle M. Pearson School 2 Wetmore Avenue Winsted, Connecticut

The resolution will be placed on the ballots under the following heading:

"SHALL TI-IE TOWN OF WINCHESTER APPROPRIATE \$24,700,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO CAPITAL PROJECTS CONSISTING OF REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO ROADWAYS, REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO SIDEWALKS, REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE HIGHLAND LAKE DRAINAGE SYSTEM, AND THE ACQUISITION OF A FIRE VEHICLE; AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

Voters approving the resolution will vote "Yes" and those opposing said resolution will vote "No." Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's office.