## TOWN OF WINCHESTER NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING -- TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021 REFERENDUM -- SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021

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 25, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. for the following purposes:

## 1. To consider a resolution,

- (a) to appropriate \$6,200,000, for costs related to replacements and improvements to water mains and water storage tanks of the Winsted Water Works, including the removal and replacement of watermains generally located at Thibault Avenue, Greenwoods Avenue, Center Street, Case Avenue and Holabird Avenue, replacement and removal of the water storage tank located on Wallens Hill, the addition of a water storage tank to be located at the Crystal Lake Water Treatment Plant. The appropriation may be spent for acquisition, design, construction and installation costs, equipment, furnishings, materials, utilities, relocation costs, engineering fees, consultants' fees, administrative costs, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project or its financing. The First Selectman and the Town Manager, or either of them, and the Chairman of the Water Sewer Commission are authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the project, and may reduce or modify the scope of the project, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the project as so reduced or modified;
- to authorize the issue of bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$6,200,000 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 \$6,200,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes and the receipt of grants; to authorize the 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 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 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 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 First Selectman, the Town Manager, the Director of Finance and the Water Sewer Commission are authorized to apply for and accept or reject state grants for the project. The First Selectman, the Town Manager, the Director of Finance and the Water Sewer

Commission are authorized to file applications with the State, to execute grant agreements for the project, and to file such documents as may be required by the State to obtain grants for the costs of financing the project.; and to authorize the First Selectman, the Town Manager, the Director of Finance and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds and notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

2. Pursuant to Sections 305, 313, 916 and 1001 of the Town Charter, 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 29, 2021. 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 THE TOWN OF WINCHESTER APPROPRIATE \$6,200,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO REPLACEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO WATER MAINS AND WATER STORAGE TANKS OF THE WINSTED WATER WORKS SYSTEM; AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE PORTION OF THE APPROPRIATION NOT DEFRAYED FROM GRANTS?"

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.

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Town Clerk

Candy Perez

Dated at Winchester, Connecticut, this <u>27</u> day of April, 2021.

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