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TOWN OF GUILFORD
NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING — TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017
NOTICE OF REFERENDUM — TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017

The Annual Town Budget Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town meetings of the Town of Guilford, Connecticut, will be held at the Greene Community Center, 32 Church Street, in Guilford, Connecticut on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To consider and act upon the Town Budget recommended by the Board of Finance for the period beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018, as to be published in the *Shoreline Times* edition of March 30, 2017.

2. Upon the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, to consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$288,000 for costs related to improvements to various Town facilities, contemplated to include: (1) improvements to the elevator and to the fire alarm and other safety systems at the Town Hall, (2) resurfacing of the skate park, tennis courts and pickle courts located at Bittner Park on Route 77 in Guilford, and (3) improvements, equipment and other work related to such facility improvements; and to the financing thereof. The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the project. The Board of Selectmen may reduce or modify the scope of the project including without limitation the deletion of components of the project, and the entire appropriation may be expended on the project as so reduced or modified. No contract may be awarded for any component of the project until it has been approved by the Board of Selectmen following receipt of a recommendation of the Board of Finance with respect thereto. The appropriation may be spent for design, construction, acquisition and installation costs, engineering fees, materials, equipment, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project;

(b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes and temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$288,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds and notes authorized shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town, if any, and applied to pay project costs; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other particulars of the bonds or notes; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

(c) 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 the Board of Selectmen to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as it deems 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 year; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director; and 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; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director; and

(d) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Director, and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other action which is necessary or desirable to enable the Town to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

3. Upon the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, to consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$1,047,000 for costs related to the Town's Inland Road Reconstruction and Improvements Program, including: (1) the continuation of Phase 1 of the Program as described in the \$1,280,000 appropriation and borrowing authorization resolution approved by the voters of the Town at referendum held April 21, 2015 for such project and the acquisition of a Public Works Department grader, including work on such other roads as determined by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to the authority granted in said resolution, (2) Phase 2 of the Program, contemplated to include (A) Driftwood Lane along its entire length, (B) Long Hill Road from Cardinal Drive to Route 80, (C) Old Sachems Head Road from Trolley Road south to Uncas Point Road, (D) New England Road from Briarwood Road to Long Hill Road, (E) Briarwood Drive from New England Road to its terminus at the cul-de-sac, and (F) such other roads as are determined by the Board of Selectmen following, to the extent applicable, a report from the Town Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to Section 8-24 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended; to improvements, equipment and other work related to such reconstruction, improvements and acquisitions; and to the financing thereof. The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the project. The Board of Selectmen may reduce or modify the scope of the project including without limitation the deletion of components of the project, and the entire appropriation may be expended on the project as so reduced or modified. No contract may be awarded for any component of the project until it has been approved by the Board of Selectmen following receipt of a recommendation of the Board of Finance with respect thereto. The appropriation may be spent for design, construction, acquisition and installation costs, land and easement acquisitions, engineering fees, materials, equipment, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project;

(b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes and temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,047,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds and notes authorized shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town, if any, and applied to pay project costs; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other particulars of the bonds or notes; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

(c) 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 the Board of Selectmen to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as it deems 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 year; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director; and 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; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director; and

(d) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Director, and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other action which is necessary or desirable to enable the Town to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

4. Upon the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, to consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$1,450,000 for costs related to various public safety equipment acquisitions and improvements, contemplated to include: (1) acquisition and installation of a 30,000 gallon in-ground water supply tank for use by the Guilford Fire Department to service the Cambridge subdivision off South Hoop Pole Road in Guilford, to be installed on yet undetermined Town property, (2) acquisition of a replacement ambulance for use by the Guilford Fire Department, (3) acquisition of a heavy rescue vehicle for use by the Guilford Fire Department, and (4) improvements, equipment and other work related to such acquisitions and improvements; and to the financing thereof. The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the project. The Board of Selectmen may reduce or modify the scope of the project including without limitation the deletion of components of the project, and the entire appropriation may be expended on the project as so reduced or modified. No contract may be awarded for any component of the project until it has been approved by the Board of Selectmen following receipt of a recommendation of the Board of Finance with respect thereto. The appropriation may be spent for design, construction, acquisition and installation costs, engineering fees, materials, equipment, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project;

(b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes and temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,450,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds and notes authorized shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town, if any, and applied to pay project costs; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other particulars of the bonds or notes; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

(c) 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 the Board of Selectmen to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as it deems 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 year; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

and 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; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director; and

(d) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Director, and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other action which is necessary or desirable to enable the Town to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

5. Upon the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, to consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$3,465,000 for costs related to facility improvements to various Town school facilities, contemplated to include: (1) at Abraham Baldwin Middle School, Melissa Jones Elementary School and A.W. Cox Elementary School, replacement and upgrades to the main electrical service and associated electrical distribution panels, (2) at Melissa Jones Elementary School, partial roof replacement of the shingle roof, and (3) improvements, equipment and other work related to such facility improvements; to architectural and engineering design for future school facility projects; and to the financing thereof. The Standing Building Committee shall be authorized to determine the particulars of each of the projects. The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to reduce or modify the scope of the projects including without limitation the deletion of components of the projects and the entire appropriation may be expended on the projects as so reduced or modified. No contract may be awarded for any component of the projects until it has been approved by the Board of Selectmen following receipt of a recommendation of the Board of Finance with respect thereto. The appropriation may be spent for design, construction, acquisition and installation costs, preparation of educational specifications, schematic drawings and outline specifications, engineering fees, architects' fees, materials, furnishings, equipment, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the projects;

(b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes and temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$3,465,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds and notes authorized shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town, if any, and applied to pay project costs; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other particulars of the bonds or notes; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

(c) 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 the Board of Selectmen to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as it deems 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 year; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director; and 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; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

(d) to authorize the Standing Building Committee act as the school building committee for each of the projects and to approve design and construction expenditures for the projects pursuant to contracts let by the Board of Selectmen, and to exercise such other powers as are necessary or appropriate to complete the projects; and to authorize the First Selectman, the Chairman of the Board of Education and the Chairman of the Standing Building Committee to execute grant applications and to accept or reject grants for the project; and

(e) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Director, the Board of Education, the Standing Building Committee, and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other action which is necessary or desirable to enable the Town to complete the projects and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

6. Upon the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, to consider a resolution,

(a) to appropriate \$660,000 for costs related to security and other upgrades to Abraham Baldwin Middle School, contemplated to include window upgrades, card readers and security cameras and PCB abatement, and improvements, equipment and other work related to such upgrades; and to the financing thereof. The Standing Building Committee shall be authorized to determine the particulars of each of the projects. The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to reduce or modify the scope of the projects including without limitation the deletion of components of the projects and the entire appropriation may be expended on the projects as so reduced or modified. No contract may be awarded for any component of the projects until it has been approved by the Board of Selectmen following receipt of a recommendation of the Board of Finance with respect thereto. The appropriation may be spent for design, construction, acquisition and installation costs, preparation of educational specifications, schematic drawings and outline specifications, engineering fees, architects' fees, materials, furnishings, equipment, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the projects;

(b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes and temporary notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$660,000 to finance the appropriation for the projects; to provide that the amount of bonds and notes authorized shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town, if any, and applied to pay project costs; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to determine the amount, date, interest rates, maturities, form and other particulars of the bonds or notes; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

(c) 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 the Board of Selectmen to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and covenants as it deems 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 year; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director; and 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; or by resolution to delegate such authority to the First Selectman and the Finance Director;

(d) to authorize the Standing Building Committee act as the school building committee for each of the projects and to approve design and construction expenditures for the projects pursuant to contracts let by the Board of Selectmen, and to exercise such other powers as are necessary or appropriate to complete the projects; and to authorize the First Selectman, the Chairman of the Board of Education and the Chairman of the Standing Building Committee to execute grant applications and to accept or reject grants for the project; and

(e) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Director, the Board of Education, the Standing Building Committee, and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take any other action which is necessary or desirable to enable the Town to complete the projects and to issue bonds or notes and obtain grants to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

6. To adjourn said town meeting at its conclusion, and to submit (a) pursuant to Section 7-3 of the Town Charter, the proposed Town Budget for the period beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018, as submitted to the Annual Town Budget Meeting or as reduced thereby, and (b) pursuant to Section 7-5 of the Town Charter and Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, the aforesaid resolutions presented under items 2 through 6 of this notice, to vote upon voting machines on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's office. Absentee ballots will be counted at the following central location: the Guilford Town Hall, 31 Park Street in Guilford.

Voting will be at the following polling places:

- District 1: Calvin Leete Elementary School, South Union Street in Guilford
- District 2: Abraham Baldwin Middle School, Long Hill Road in Guilford
- District 3: Guilford Fire Headquarters, 390 Church Street in Guilford
- District 4: Melissa Jones Elementary School, Ledge Hill Road in Guilford
- District 5: A.W. Cox Elementary School, Three Mile Course in Guilford

The question with respect to the Town Budget for the period beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 will be placed on the voting machines under the following heading:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF GUILFORD APPROVE THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE TO THE ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING OR AS REDUCED THEREBY?"

The resolutions under items 2 through 6 above will be placed on the voting machines under the following headings, respectively:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF GUILFORD APPROPRIATE \$288,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS TOWN FACILITIES, AND ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

"SHALL THE TOWN OF GUILFORD APPROPRIATE \$1,047,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE TOWN'S INLAND ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM, AND ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

"SHALL THE TOWN OF GUILFORD APPROPRIATE \$1,450,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO VARIOUS PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT ACQUISITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

"SHALL THE TOWN OF GUILFORD APPROPRIATE \$3,465,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS TO AND FUTURE PROJECT DESIGN FOR VARIOUS TOWN SCHOOLS, AND ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

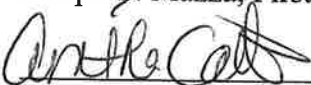
"SHALL THE TOWN OF GUILFORD APPROPRIATE \$660,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO SECURITY AND OTHER UPGRADES TO BALDWIN MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE THE APPROPRIATION?"

Voters approving a resolution will vote "Yes" and those opposing said resolution will vote "No."

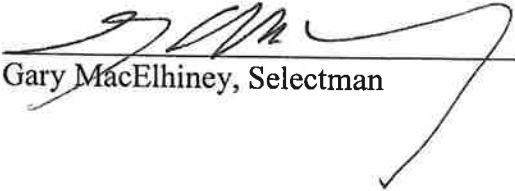
Dated at Guilford, Connecticut, this 20th day of March, 2017.



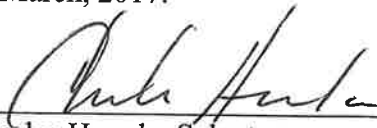
Joseph S. Mazza, First Selectman




Cynthia M. Cartier, Selectman



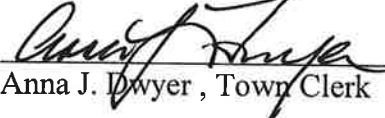
Gary MacElhiney, Selectman



Charles Havrda, Selectman



Carl A. Balestracci, Jr., Selectman



Anna J. Dwyer, Town Clerk