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TOWN OF ELLINGTON

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING -- OCTOBER 23, 2018

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM – NOVEMBER 6, 2018

A special Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings of the Town of Ellington, Connecticut, will be held in the Auditorium of the Ellington High School, 37 Maple Street in Ellington, Connecticut, on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To consider a resolution,
 - (a) to appropriate, upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, \$1,635,000 for costs related to the design, construction, equipping and furnishing of an addition to the Ellington Town Hall, contemplated to include: (1) an approximately 5,930 square foot, one-story addition to be located to the north of the existing Town Hall to provide facilities for the Town Clerk, the Tax Collector and the Assessor, a vault, a conference room, lavatories, and lobby, mechanical, electrical and storage spaces; (2) site improvements including a patio, an outdoor foyer, sidewalks, a crosswalk, and landscaping; and (3) related improvements, work, and acquisitions. It is contemplated that the project will be completed substantially as such work is described in the report developed by the Fuss & O'Neill Design Build Services, LLC and James Vance and Associates Architects, dated November 10, 2016 and entitled "Ellington Town Hall Renovation & Addition, 55 Main Street, Ellington, CT 06029," but not including the description in said report of renovations to the existing building. The Permanent Building Committee shall be authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the project, and to reduce or modify the project scope; and the entire appropriation may be spent on the project as so reduced or modified. The appropriation may be spent for design, construction, acquisition, and installation costs; site improvements; infrastructure improvements; equipment, furnishings, and materials; architectural, engineering, consultant, and other professional fees including legal fees; administrative costs, including costs related to the application for and acceptance of grants; the payment of net temporary interest and other financing costs; and other expenses related to the project or its financing. The Town anticipates receiving a

\$500,000 State of Connecticut Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant to defray in part the appropriation for the project;

- (b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$1,635,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds or notes authorized to finance the project shall be reduced by the amount of grants received for the project and not separately appropriated to pay project costs; to authorize the issue of temporary notes of the Town in amount not to exceed \$1,635,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes or the receipt of project grants; to authorize the First Selectman and the Finance Officer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes and temporary notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes and temporary 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; to authorize a majority of the First Selectman and the Finance Officer 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 and temporary 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 Finance Officer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes and temporary 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 temporary notes; and
- (c) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Officer, the Permanent Building Committee, and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and temporary notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

2. To consider a resolution,

- (a) to appropriate, upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, \$2,625,000 for costs related to various athletic facility improvements at Ellington High School and related work and acquisitions, contemplated to include: (1) conversion of the football field to artificial turf, (2) installation of lighting for the football field, the east side practice field, and the tennis courts, (3) irrigation system installation, (4) fencing installation, (5) storm water management improvements, (6) installation of a Department of Public Works storage shed, (7) acquisition of maintenance equipment and a service vehicle, and (8) related improvements, work, and acquisitions, which to the extent of available funds may include, but is not limited to, additional bleachers, and additional equipment storage buildings. It is contemplated that the project will be completed substantially as

described in the report developed by the Fuss & O'Neill Design Build Services, LLC, dated October 2016 and entitled "Ellington High School Football Field Artificial Turf Conversion and Lighting Project". The Permanent Building Committee is authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the project, and to reduce or modify the project scope; and the entire appropriation may be spent on the project as so reduced or modified. The appropriation may be spent for design, construction, acquisition, and installation costs; site improvements; infrastructure improvements; equipment, furnishings, and materials; architectural, engineering, consultant, and other professional fees including legal fees; administrative costs, including costs related to the application for and acceptance of grants; the payment of net temporary interest and other financing costs; and other expenses related to the project or its financing. The Town anticipates receiving a \$1,000,000 State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection grant to defray in part the appropriation for the project;

- (b) to authorize the issue of bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$2,625,000 to finance the appropriation for the project; to provide that the amount of bonds or notes authorized to finance the project shall be reduced by the amount of grants received for the project and not separately appropriated to pay project costs; to authorize the issue of temporary notes of the Town in amount not to exceed \$2,625,000 in anticipation of such bonds or notes or the receipt of project grants; to authorize the First Selectman and the Finance Officer of the Town to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes and temporary notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes and temporary 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; to authorize a majority of the First Selectman and the Finance Officer 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 and temporary 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 Finance Officer to make representations and enter into written agreements for the benefit of holders of the bonds or notes and temporary 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 temporary notes; and
- (c) to authorize the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Finance Officer, the Permanent Building Committee, and other proper officers and officials of the Town to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds or notes and temporary notes and obtain grants to finance the aforesaid appropriation.

3. Pursuant to Sections 7-7, 9-369 and 9-369d of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and Sections 603 and 606 of the Town Charter, to adjourn said Town Meeting at its conclusion and to submit the resolutions to be presented under items 1 and 2 of this Notice to referendum vote, which vote shall be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., in conjunction with the election held on that date, in the manner provided by the Town Charter and said General Statutes. Electors will vote at their respective polling places, as follows:

District 1: Ellington High School, 37 Maple Street in Ellington

District 2: Crystal Lake School, 284 Sandy Beach Road in Ellington

Persons qualified to vote in Town Meetings who are not electors will vote at the following polling place: Ellington Town Hall, 55 Main Street in Ellington.

The aforesaid resolutions will be submitted to the voters under the following headings, respectively:

“SHALL THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON APPROPRIATE \$1,635,000 FOR AN ADDITION TO THE ELLINGTON TOWN HALL, AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE PORTION OF THE PROJECT COST NOT PAID FROM GRANTS (ESTIMATED \$500,000 STEAP GRANT)?”

“SHALL THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON APPROPRIATE \$2,625,000 FOR ATHLETIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AT ELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL INCLUDING FOOTBALL FIELD CONVERSION TO ARTIFICIAL TURF AND ATHLETIC FACILITY LIGHTING INSTALLATION, AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE PORTION OF THE PROJECT COST NOT PAID FROM GRANTS (ESTIMATED \$1,000,000 CT DEEP GRANT)?”

Voters approving a resolution will vote “Yes” and those opposing said resolution will vote “No.” Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk’s office. Absentee ballots will be counted centrally in the Registrar’s Office at Ellington Town Hall, 55 Main Street in Ellington.

Dated at Ellington, Connecticut, this 12th day of October, 2018.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN



LORI SPIELMAN
FIRST SELECTMAN