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TOWN OF COLCHESTER NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOVEMBER 24, 2021 14 PM 2: 18 NOTICE OF REFERENDUM NOVEMBER 16, 2021

A special town meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Colchester, Connecticut, will be held at William J. Johnston Middle School Cafeteria, 360 Norwich Avenue in the Town of Colchester, Connecticut, on November 4, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., for the following purpose:

1. To consider a resolution,

- (a) That the Town of Colchester appropriate NINE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,500,000) for costs related to the Senior Center Building Project, including the design and construction of a new Senior Center on Lebanon Avenue between Louis Lane and Mill Street, substantially as described in the Conceptual Design prepared by Silver Petrucelli Architects and presented January 21, 2021. The building committee established for the project shall be authorized to determine the scope and particulars of the project and to reduce or modify the project, and the entire appropriation may be expended on the project as so modified or reduced. The appropriation may be spent for design and construction costs, testing and permitting costs, equipment, furnishings and fixtures, materials, land and easement acquisition, site improvements, utilities, engineering fees, project management costs and fees, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project or its financing.
- That the Town issue bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed NINE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,500,000) to finance the appropriation for the project. The amount of bonds or notes authorized to be issued shall be reduced by the amount of grants received by the Town for the project. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to Sections 7-369 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and any other enabling acts. The bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The bonds or notes may be issued in one or more series, and any series may be sold as a single issue or consolidated with any other bonds or notes of the Town. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the bonds or notes. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer of the Town shall sign any bonds or notes by their manual or facsimile signatures. The bonds or notes shall bear the seal of the Town or a facsimile seal. The law firm of Pullman & Comley, LLC is designated as bond counsel to approve the legality of the bonds or notes. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates, maturities, redemption provisions, form and other details of the bonds or notes; to designate one or more banks or trust companies to be certifying bank, registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the bonds or notes; to sell the bonds or notes at public or private sale; to deliver the bonds or notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the bonds or notes.
- (c) That the Town issue and renew temporary notes from time to time in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds or notes for the project or the receipt of grants for the project. The amount of the notes outstanding at any time shall not exceed NINE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,500,000). The notes shall be issued pursuant to Section 7-378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and shall be secured by the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town shall comply with the provisions of Section 7-378a and 7-378b of the General Statutes with respect to any notes that do not mature within the time permitted by said Section 7-378. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to determine the amounts, dates, interest rates,

maturities, form and other details of the notes; to sell the notes at public or private sale; to execute and deliver the notes; and to perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to issue the notes.

- (d) That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Federal Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2 that project costs may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that (except to the extent reimbursed from grant moneys) the Town reasonably expects to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized above for the project. The Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized to amend such declaration of official intent as they deem necessary or advisable and 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 this resolution, if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years.
- (e) That the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and the Treasurer are authorized 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.
- (f) That the First Selectman is authorized to execute all contracts and change orders with respect to the project
- (g) That the First Selectman, on behalf of the Town, is authorized to apply for and accept federal, state, and any other grants to finance the project and to enter into any grant agreement for the project, and to file such documents as may be required to obtain grants for the cost of the project.
- (h) That the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman, the Treasurer, and other proper officers of the Town are authorized to take all other action which is necessary or desirable to complete the project and to issue bonds, notes or other obligations to finance the aforesaid appropriation.
- 2. Pursuant to the Town Charter and to Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, to adjourn said town meeting at its conclusion and to submit the aforesaid resolution to vote upon voting machines on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Electors and persons qualified to vote in town meetings who are not electors will vote at the following polling place: Colchester Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue in Colchester, Connecticut. The aforesaid resolution will be placed on the voting machines under the following heading:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF COLCHESTER APPROPRIATE AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO EXPEND A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$9,500,000 FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SENIOR CENTER AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE THE PORTION OF THE APPROPRIATION NOT DEFRAYED FROM GRANTS?"

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

Dated at Colchester, Connecticut, this 14th day of October, 2021.

Mary Bylone, First Selectman

Aras Rudko, Selectman

Rosemary Coyle, Selectman

Denise Mizla, Selectman