

NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT
May 2, 2022

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RIDGEFIELD CT

Electors and persons qualified to vote at Town Meetings of the Town of Ridgefield are hereby duly notified and warned that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:30 P.M. (E.T.) at the Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge Road, Ridgefield, Connecticut, for the following purposes:

1. To consider recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to appropriations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023:

Town Expenditures (consisting of Town operating expenditures of \$39,218,807 and debt service of \$8,265,705 on both Town and Education capital projects): \$47,484,512

2. To consider recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to appropriations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023:

Board of Education Expenditures: \$106,600,490

3. To consider recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to appropriations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023:

Planning, design, acquisition and construction of various Town road and ADA improvements:
\$1,600,000

4. To consider a Resolution Appropriating \$291,404 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Fire Mini Attack Pumper, \$229,611 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Highway Mack Dump Truck, \$300,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Sidewalk Improvements And \$1,000,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Tertiary Roads And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,821,015 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes (Provided That The Bonds Shall Be Reduced By The Amount Of Any Grants Received For Such Purposes, Which Are Anticipated To Be \$150,000 For Sidewalk Improvements).

5. To consider a Resolution Appropriating \$432,500 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Tennis, Basketball And Pickleball Court Replacement And \$106,250 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Recreation Center Updates, Including Gym Floors And Pads And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$538,750 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes.

6. To consider a Resolution Appropriating \$150,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Annex Building Interior Flooring, \$360,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Highway Garage 2 Roof Replacement And \$105,812 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Playhouse Fire Suppression And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$615,812 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes.

7. To consider a Resolution Appropriating \$396,570 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of East Ridge Middle School LED Lighting Upgrades, \$404,460 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of School District Wide Network Infrastructure Upgrades, \$315,900 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Barlow Mountain Elementary School Oil Tank Removal And Replacement And \$282,075 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Branchville Elementary School Asbestos Abatement/Floor Re-Tiling And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,399,005 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes (Provided That The Bonds Shall Be Reduced By The Amount Of Any Eversource Rebates Received For Such Purposes, Which Are Anticipated To Be \$92,340 For School LED Lighting Upgrades).

RETURN OF POSTING AND PUBLICATION OF
NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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8:30 am
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RIDGEFIELD CT

I, RUDOLPH P. MARCONI, First Selectman of the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut, hereby certify that I caused a copy of the above Notice, bearing the signatures of all or a majority of the Board of Selectmen, to be posted in the office of the Town Clerk on April 29, 2022; and that I caused a copy of said Notice to be published in The Ridgefield Press, a newspaper having a general circulation in said Town of Ridgefield, in its issue of April 21, 2022.


First Selectman

The Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Ridgefield was held on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:30 P.M. (E.T.) at the Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge, Ridgefield, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectman Rudy Marconi and he led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Andrew Neblett, 31 Ashbee Lane, moved and Marge Davidson, 77 Sunset Lane, seconded the motion to appoint Sharon Dornfeld as Moderator. Motion passed unanimously.

Barbara Dobbin, 499 Danbury Road, moved and Andrew Neblett, 31 Ashbee Lane, seconded the motion to waive the reading of the Notice of the meeting that was signed by the First Selectmen and posted in the office of the Town Clerk on April 29, 2022, and published in The Ridgefield Press in its issue of April 21, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

The Moderator then explained that in accordance with Section 10-3 of the Town Charter Items 1 through 10 on the call of the Annual Town Meeting would be voted upon at a referendum to be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

The Moderator further stated that in accordance with Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, only an elector of the Town or a citizen of the United States of the age of 18 years or more who, jointly or severally, was liable to the Town for taxes assessed against him based on an assessment of not less than \$1,000 on the last completed grand list of the Town or who would have been so liable if not entitled to an exemption as a blind person or as a veteran or as a parent or surviving spouse of a veteran will be entitled to vote. Absentee ballots shall be available as provided by law at the Town Clerk's office during business hours.

Bob Hebert, 58 Prospect Street, moved and Sean Connelly, 550 Barrack Hill Road, seconded the motion to waive the reading of the letters from the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance. Motion passed unanimously and the following communication from the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance was received, accepted and ordered incorporated into the minutes of the Meeting:



TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD
Office of the First Selectman

April 13, 2022

Received

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Wendy Gannon Lionetti
Ridgefield CT Town Clerk

To the Legal Voters of the
Town of Ridgefield:

At a meeting of the Board of Selectmen held April 13, 2022, the following resolutions were adopted to be voted upon by a referendum vote on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.T.) at Yanity Gym, 60 Prospect St, Ridgefield, Connecticut:

RESOLVED: That The Recommendation Of The Board Of Finance Relative To The Appropriation Of \$47,484,512 For Town Expenditures (Consisting Of Town Operating Expenditures Of \$39,218,807 And Debt Service Of \$8,265,705 On Both Town And Education Capital Projects) For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2022 And Ending June 30, 2023, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

RESOLVED: That The Recommendation Of The Board Of Finance Relative To The Appropriation Of \$106,600,490 For Board Of Education Expenditures For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2022 And Ending June 30, 2023, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

RESOLVED: That The Recommendation Of The Board Of Finance Relative To The Appropriation Of \$1,600,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Various Town Road And ADA Improvements For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2022 And Ending June 30, 2023, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating \$291,404 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Fire Mini Attack Pumper, \$229,611 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Highway Mack Dump Truck, \$300,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Sidewalk Improvements And \$1,000,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Tertiary Roads And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,821,015 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes (Provided That The Bonds Shall Be Reduced By The Amount Of Any Grants Received For Such Purposes, Which Are Anticipated To Be \$150,000 For Sidewalk Improvements)”, a copy of which is attached hereto, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

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RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled “Resolution Appropriating \$246,721 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of East Ridge Middle School Auditorium Lighting Upgrades And \$191,133 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of School District Wide Replacement Of Orchestra And Band Instruments And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$437,854 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes”, a copy of which is attached hereto, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town.

In addition, at said meeting, the Board of Selectmen adopted the following resolution to be voted upon at the Annual Town Meeting on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:30 P.M. (E.T.) at the Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge Rd, Ridgefield, Connecticut:

RESOLVED: That the resolution entitled "Resolution Making Appropriations Aggregating \$1,826,408 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition, Installation And Construction Of Various Public Improvements And Equipment And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,826,408 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes", a copy of which is attached hereto, be approved and recommended for adoption by the legal voters of the Town by Town Meeting vote.

Very truly yours,

Rudolph P. Marconi
First Selectman

**Town of Ridgefield
Board of Finance**

RECEIVED
Wendy Gunnon-Suneth
APR 18 2022
3:24 PM
BY TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
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April 14, 2022

To the Legal Voters of the
Town of Ridgefield:

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held April 14, 2022, the following resolutions were adopted to be voted upon by a referendum vote on Tuesday, May 10th, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.T.) at Yanity Gym, 60 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut:

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Very truly yours,



Chairman
Board of Finance

Moderator Dornfeld introduced the First Selectman who gave the following presentation.



General Town Budget Overview

Table with columns: Component, FY 2022, FY 2023, \$ Change, % Change. Rows include Town Operations, School Buildings & Grounds, Utilities, Employee Benefits, etc. Overall, town expenditures are budgeted to increase by \$1,562.2K or 3.82%.

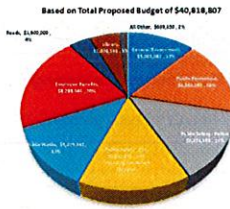
Town Operation - Components of Increase

Table showing components of increase for Town Operations, School Buildings and Grounds, and Employee Benefits. Total Town Grand Total is \$1,562,200.

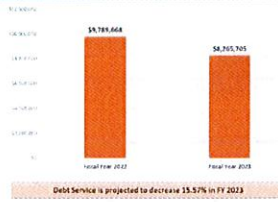
Board of Selectmen FY 2023 Budget

Presented by Rudy Mariani, First Selectman May 2, 2022

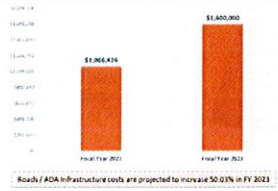
Town Operations - Percentage of Town Budget



Debt Service



Roads/ADA Infrastructure



Capital - Public Recreation

Table listing capital projects for Public Recreation such as Golf Driving Range, Diverse Music, and Parks & Recreation. Total: \$947,606.

Capital - Public Safety

Table listing capital projects for Public Safety including Police Department, Fire Department, and various equipment. Total: \$450,320.

Capital - Public Works

Table listing capital projects for Public Works including Highway Department, Roads, and various equipment. Total: \$1,481,011.

Capital - Engineer

Table listing capital projects for Engineering such as Town Engineer, Suburb Improvements, and various equipment. Total: \$1,172,215.

General Government

Table listing general government projects including Information Technology, Library, and various equipment. Total: \$278,748.

Capital - Education

Table listing capital projects for Education including Building LED Lighting, Library, and various equipment. Total: \$2,098,098.

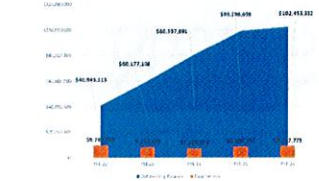
Capital Improvements



Potential ARPA

Table listing potential ARPA projects including Playhouse - LLLU Elevator, Recreation - Barton Pool HVAC, and Playhouse - HVAC. Total: \$1,229,166.

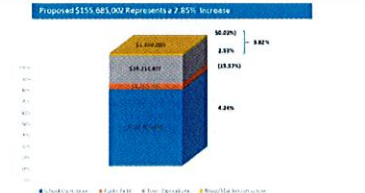
Debt Service / Debt Outstanding



Fund Balance Comparison

Table comparing Fund Balance Comparison for FY 2021 and FY 2022 across various funds. Includes a bar chart for FY 2021 Fund Balance Comparison.

Summary



Capital To Be Voted On At The Annual Town Meeting

Table listing capital projects to be voted on at the annual town meeting, including Golf, Parks & Recreation, Police, Fire, and Education. Total: \$8,509.

Capital To Be Voted On At The Annual Town Meeting

Table listing capital projects to be voted on at the annual town meeting, including Highway Department, Town Engineer, and Education. Total: \$1,000.

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Table listing capital projects to be voted on at the annual town meeting, including Town Engineer, Police Department, and Education. Total: \$1,000.

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Table listing capital projects to be voted on at the annual town meeting, including Education and various equipment. Total: \$1,000.

Annual Budget Referendum Is May 10, 2022. Proposed Mill Rate is 28.43 which represents a .77% Increase.



At the conclusion of Dr. DiSilva’s presentation, Moderator Dornfeld then introduced the Chairman of the Board of Finance David Ulmer, who gave this presentation:



Geoffrey Morris, 231 Ivy Hill Road, moved and Andrew Neblett, 31 Ashbee Lane, seconded the motion to waive the reading of the full resolutions. Unanimously approved.

Moderator Dornfeld then introduced and read the following budget resolutions and bond resolutions by their title. Complete copies of the budget and complete copies of the bond resolutions were printed and made available to members of the public attending the meeting:

RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE RELATIVE TO THE APPROPRIATION OF \$47,484,512 FOR TOWN EXPENDITURES (CONSISTING OF TOWN OPERATING EXPENDITURES OF \$39,218,807 AND DEBT SERVICE OF \$8,265,705 ON BOTH TOWN AND EDUCATION CAPITAL PROJECTS) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2022 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023

Sean Connelly, 550 Barrack Hill Road, moved and Selina Bell, 40 North Street, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE RELATIVE TO THE APPROPRIATION OF \$106,600,490 FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2022 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023

Rachel Ruggeri, 15 Lincoln Lane, moved and Richard Kent, 2 Florida Hill Road, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE RELATIVE TO THE APPROPRIATION OF \$1,600,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS TOWN ROAD AND ADA IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2022 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023

Sean Connelly, 550 Barrack Hill Road, moved and Bob Hebert, 85 Prospect Street, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$291,404 FOR THE DESIGN AND ACQUISITION OF A FIRE MINI ATTACK PUMPER, \$229,611 FOR THE DESIGN AND ACQUISITION OF A HIGHWAY MACK DUMP TRUCK, \$300,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS AND \$1,000,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF TERTIARY ROADS AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,821,015 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATIONS AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSES (PROVIDED THAT THE BONDS SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY GRANTS RECEIVED FOR SUCH PURPOSES, WHICH ARE ANTICIPATED TO BE \$150,000 FOR SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS)

422 Jonathan Steckler, 165 Mamasasco Road, moved and Angela Rice, 237 Branchville Road, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$432,500 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF TENNIS, BASKETBALL AND PICKLEBALL COURT REPLACEMENT AND \$106,250 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RECREATION CENTER UPDATES, INCLUDING GYM FLOORS AND PADS AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$538,750 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATIONS AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSES

Richard Kent, 2 Florida Hill Road, moved and Jonathan Steckler, 165 Mamasasco Road, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$150,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF ANNEX BUILDING INTERIOR FLOORING, \$360,000 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF HIGHWAY GARAGE 2 ROOF REPLACEMENT AND \$105,812 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYHOUSE FIRE SUPPRESSION AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$615,812 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATIONS AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSES

Marjorie Davidson, 77 Sunset Lane, moved and Geoffrey Morris, 231 Ivy Hill Road, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$396,570 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF EAST RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL LED LIGHTING UPGRADES, \$404,460 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT WIDE NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES, \$315,900 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF BARLOW MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OIL TANK REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT AND \$282,075 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF BRANCHVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ASBESTOS ABATEMENT/FLOOR RE-TILING AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,399,005 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATIONS AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSES (PROVIDED THAT THE BONDS SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY EVERSOURCE REBATES RECEIVED FOR SUCH PURPOSES, WHICH ARE ANTICIPATED TO BE \$92,340 FOR SCHOOL LED LIGHTING UPGRADES)

Selina Bell, 40 North Street, moved and Rachel Ruggeri, 15 Lincoln Lane, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

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Jonathan Steckler, 165 Mamasasco Road, moved and Rachel Ruggeri, 15 Lincoln Lane, seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Unanimously approved.

After discussion on the Town budget and the proposed bond resolutions, a motion was made by **Bill Davidson, 77 Sunset Lane, and seconded by Sean Connelly, 550 Barrack Hill Road, that the First Selectman be authorized and directed to call a referendum to be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M. (E.T.) at Yanity Gym, 66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut, to consider and take action upon the aforesaid proposed Town budget and the proposed bond resolutions. Bill Davidson, 77 Sunset Lane, moved and Tom Byrne, 35 Sky Top Road, seconded that the notice of said referendum, which was made available to all attendees and is made part of this record below, be waived:**

TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD
NOTICE OF REFERENDUM
TO BE HELD May 10, 2022

RECEIVED
Wendy Johnson Smith
MAY 04 2022
3:56 PM
BY TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
RIDGEFIELD, CT

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Town Charter and the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, notice is hereby given to the electors and persons qualified to vote in the Town of Ridgefield that a referendum will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. (E.T.) at Yanity Gym, 60 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut, for the purpose of voting on the following questions:

1. "Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of \$47,484,512 for Town expenditures (consisting of Town operating expenditures of \$39,218,807 and debt service of \$8,265,705 on both Town and Education capital projects) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, be approved?"

The form of the ballot label on the voting machine shall read as follows:

"Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of \$47,484,512 for Town expenditures (consisting of Town operating expenditures of \$39,218,807 and debt service of \$8,265,705 on both Town and Education capital projects) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, be approved? YES/NO"

2. "Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of \$106,600,490 for Board of Education expenditures for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, be approved?"

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3. "Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of \$1,600,000 for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of various Town road and ADA improvements for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, be approved?"

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5. "Shall the Resolution Appropriating \$432,500 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Tenn Basketball And Pickleball Court Replacement And \$106,250 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Recreation Center Updates, Including Gym Floors And Pads And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$538,750 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes, be approved?"

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7. "Shall the Resolution Appropriating \$396,570 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of East Ridge Middle School LED Lighting Upgrades, \$404,460 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation School District Wide Network Infrastructure Upgrades, \$315,900 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Barlow Mountain Elementary School Oil Tank Removal And Replacement And \$282,075 For TI Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of Branchville Elementary School Asbestos Abatement/Floor R Tiling And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,399,005 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Per The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes (Provided That The Bonds Sh Be Reduced By The Amount Of Any Eversource Rebates Received For Such Purposes, Which Are Anticipated Be \$92,340 For School LED Lighting Upgrades), be approved?"

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8. "Shall the Resolution Appropriating \$246,721 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of East Ridge Middle School Auditorium Lighting Upgrades And \$191,133 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Installation Of School District Wide Replacement Of Orchestra And Band Instruments And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$437,854 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes, be approved?"

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The vote will be by optical scan voting machine. Those in favor of the resolution referred to in the question shall fill in the oval under the word "YES" under such question. Those not in favor of the resolution referred to in the question shall fill in the oval under the word "NO" under such question. Absentee ballots will be available at the office of the Town Clerk as provided by law.

The polls will be open during the hours between 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. (E.T.). Electors and persons qualified to vote as aforesaid may cast their votes at the following polling place:

Yaniry Gym 60 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut

In accordance with Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, only an elector of the Town or a citizen of the United States of the age of eighteen years or more who, jointly or severally, was liable to the Town for taxes assessed against him based on an assessment of not less than \$1,000 on the last completed grand list of the Town or who would have been so liable if not entitled to an exemption as a blind person or as a veteran or as a parent or surviving spouse of a veteran will be entitled to vote. Absentee ballots shall be available as provided by law at the Town Clerk's office during business hours.

The voting will take place pursuant to the provisions of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended, and the votes will be cast and canvassed and the results determined and certified as nearly as may be in accordance with the laws governing the election of the Town officials.

The full text of said resolutions is on file open to public inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Ridgefield, Connecticut, this 5th day of May, 2022.

Wendy Gannon Lionetti
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RETURN OF POSTING AND PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

I, WENDY GANNON LIONETTI, Town Clerk of the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut, hereby certify that I caused a copy of the attached Notice of Referendum bearing my written signature to be posted in the office of the Town Clerk on May 4, 2022, and that I caused a copy thereof to be published in *The Ridgefield Press*, a newspaper published in the Town of Ridgefield and having a general circulation in the Town of Ridgefield in its issue of May 5, 2022.

Wendy Gannon Lionetti
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Moderator Sharon Dornfeld explained that the Annual Town Meeting has the authority to approve capital items under \$100,000 and the next item for discussion and vote is a list of such items and that we will be voting on them as they are grouped by Town departments. Any questions about the items can be asked during this time. The moderator then introduced each department and called for a vote on each accordingly introduced and read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AGGREGATING \$1,826,408 FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, ACQUISITION, INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF

\$1,826,408 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATIONS AND PENDING
THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH
PURPOSES

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The sum of \$1,826,408 is hereby appropriated by the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut (the "Town") for the planning, design, acquisition, installation and construction of the various public improvements and equipment hereinafter listed, including costs of legal, administrative and related costs (the "Projects"), said appropriations to be inclusive of any and all Federal and State grants-in-aid thereof:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Amount</u>
<u>Highway Department</u>	
Guardrail Replacement	\$40,000
John Deere Loader Refurbishment	37,000
Pickup Truck	45,000
Dump Truck	74,000
Hot Box	30,400
Cross Conveyor	15,000
AC Recovery Unit	20,000
<u>Golf</u>	
Driving Range Net Replacement	48,000
Greens Mower	48,500
Fairway Mower	71,500
<u>Parks and Recreation</u>	
Passenger Vehicle (Police Car Trade-in)	2,500
3/4 Pickup Truck	36,972
1 1/2 Dump Truck	57,324
ADA Compliance - Governor Park Ramp	37,750
Parks, Fields and School Grounds Safety Improvements	39,685
Barlow Pool Repairs - Pool Gutter and Tile	33,525
Recreation Center - Audio Equipment	33,100
<u>Town Engineer</u>	
Town Hall Interior - Garden Level Painting	22,000
Town Hall Interior - Garden Level Bathroom Renovation	27,000
Town Hall Interior - Garden Level Carpet Replacement	50,000
Truck Wash Bay Engineering	50,000
Door Replacement - Various Locations	59,000
Exterior LED Lighting - Various Locations	75,000
School Paving Projects	50,000
Stormwater MS4 Permit Requirements	66,365
Drainage Study	24,200
Theater Barn - LULA Elevator	89,150
<u>Police Department</u>	
Glock Handguns	7,538
<u>Fire Department</u>	
iPads for Vehicles	25,500
Firefighter Protective Gear	53,220
Respirator Fit Tester	15,654
SCBA Bottles	10,099
Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillator/Pacemaker	36,911
<u>Information Technology</u>	
Storage Area Network Disks	35,716
Multifactor Authentication	45,970
<u>Library</u>	
Morris Building Limestone Façade Repair	14,700

Sidewalk Repair	5,500
Brick Repair	4,800
Technology Upgrades	33,000
<u>Education</u>	
Remove / Replace Acid Neutralization Tank - Ridgefield High School	87,020
Building "Bump out" for New Electrical Switchgear - East Ridge Middle School	54,800
Renovation of Bathrooms - East Ridge Middle School	52,750
Renovation of Bathrooms - Farmingville Elementary School	57,500
Kitchen Equipment Replacement - District Wide	69,509
<u>Other</u>	
Conservation Commission - Fencing	4,500
Playhouse - Asbestos Abatement	28,750
Total	<u>\$1,826,408</u>

Section 2. To meet said appropriations, \$1,826,408 bonds of the Town or so much as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the "General Statutes"). Said bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the First Selectman, in consultation with the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Projects determined after considering the estimated amount of any Federal and State grants-in-aid of the Projects, or the actual amount thereof if this be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, financing, legal and other costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signature of the First Selectman, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying, registrar and transfer agent and the paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including approval of the rate or rates of interest shall be determined by the First Selectman in the best interest of the Town and in accordance with the General Statutes.

Section 3. The bonds of each series shall be sold by the First Selectman, in consultation with the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in his discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, the purchase agreement shall be approved and signed by the First Selectman.

Section 4. The First Selectman is authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the First Selectman, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the First Selectman pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The notes shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the

428 principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, may be included as a cost of the Projects. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The appropriations in Section 1 may be transferred by the Board of Selectmen among the Projects upon a finding that the appropriation or portion thereof is not needed for its respective purpose.

Section 6. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and any time after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount and for the Projects with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Tax Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Projects, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Town hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The First Selectman or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of the Tax Exempt Obligations.

Section 7. The First Selectman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 8. The First Selectman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution. The First Selectman is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and or grants-in-aid of any Projects, to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof, and in connection therewith to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

Bob Hebert, 85 Prospect Street, moved and Rudy Marconi, 145 Main Street, seconded that said resolution be adopted as introduced and read. Following discussion and a vote by show of hands, the Moderator reported that all present were in favor of the adoption of the resolution and 0 votes in opposition to the adoption of the resolution. The Moderator thereupon declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:16 pm.

Reconvened Annual Town Meeting May 10, 2022

First Selectman, Rudy Marconi, reconvened the Annual Town Meeting of May 2, 2022 in the large conference room of Town Hall at 9:05 p.m.

The first order of business was to elect a Moderator. **Andrew Okrongly, 34 Tanglewood Court, moved and Greg Kabasakalian, Two Washington Avenue, seconded the motion to appoint Jane Berendsen-Hill Moderator. Unanimously approved.**

The Moderator asked the Head Moderator of the Referendum, Jackie Putman, to announce the results. J. Putman read the results, shown below, stating that a total of 1,186 people voted, which includes 33 absentee and 2 grand list voters; 6.9% eligible voters. All questions were approved.

The Moderator recessed the meeting in order that the Board of Finance could meet and set the mill rate. After the Board of Finance met, David Ulmer, BOF Chairman, announced the new mill rate—28.43.

The Moderator then called the meeting back to order and asked for a motion to adjourn.

David Ulmer, 193 South Salem Road, moved and Karen Ulmer, 97 Whipstick Road, seconded the motion to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 9:17 pm. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Gannon Lionetti, Town Clerk

TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD
RESULTS OF REFERENDUM VOTE

At a referendum vote held on May 10, 2022 in the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut, the following vote was taken on the following questions, viz.:

1. "Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of \$47,484,512 for Town expenditures (consisting of Town operating expenditures of \$39,218,807 and debt service of \$8,265,705 on both Town and Education capital projects) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, be approved?"

975 YES 208 NO

2. "Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of \$106,600,490 for Board of Education expenditures for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, be approved?"

860 YES 321 NO

3. "Shall the recommendation of the Board of Finance relative to the appropriation of \$1,600,000 for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of various Town road and ADA improvements for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, be approved?"

1062 YES 123 NO

4. "Shall the Resolution Appropriating \$291,404 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Fire Mini Attack Pumper, \$229,611 For The Design And Acquisition Of A Highway Mack Dump Truck, \$300,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Sidewalk Improvements And \$1,000,000 For The Planning, Design, Acquisition And Construction Of Tertiary Roads And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,821,015 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriations And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purposes (Provided That The Bonds Shall Be Reduced By The Amount Of Any Grants Received For Such Purposes, Which Are Anticipated To Be \$150,000 For Sidewalk Improvements), be approved?"

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