

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR EXPLANATORY TEXT
April 4, 2023 Referendum

The following explanatory text has been prepared and approved by the Town Clerk pursuant to Sec. 9-369b(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes and is intended to not advocate either the approval or disapproval of the referendum question. The ballot question was approved by the Board of Selectmen at its meeting on March 9, 2023 for submission to the voters of the Town of East Windsor for approval or disapproval by referendum vote to be held on April 4, 2023. This explanatory text will be furnished to each applicant for an absentee ballot and will be made available for public distribution and at the polling places.

Overview

The question asks the voters of the Town whether the Town should appropriate \$4,720,000 for costs associated with an addition and renovations to the Scout Hall Youth Center (Community Center Project), to be paid for, in part, by a federal grant in the maximum amount of \$2,750,000, and up to \$924,000 from the Town's American Rescue Plan Act grant moneys, after deducting other grants or sources of funds available. The full text of the proposed Resolution, as approved by the Board of Selectman, is on the Town website at www.eastwindsor-ct.gov, and on file and available for public inspection at the Town Clerk's Office at 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016 during the Town's regular business hours. The Board of Selectmen approved the proposed Resolution and the Resolution ballot question set forth below at its meeting held on March 9, 2023.

Appearing below is the question, which will be designated as Question No. 1 on the ballot, and the explanatory text related thereto.

Question 1:

Shall the Town of East Windsor authorize an appropriation of \$4,720,000 for the costs of the Scout Hall Youth Center (Community Center Project) to be paid for, in part, by a federal grant in the maximum amount of \$2,750,000 and up to \$924,000 of the Town's federal American Rescue Plan Act grant moneys, after deducting other grants or other sources of funds available to the Town for the Project? YES/NO

Explanatory text:

Q. What is the Community Center Project?

A. The Community Center Project is an approximately 7,500 square foot addition and additional renovations to the Scout Hall Youth Center located at 28 Abbe Road in East Windsor. The anticipated cost of the Project is \$4,720,000 with \$1,200,000 of the anticipated cost coming from the Town's Capital and Nonrecurring Fund, up to \$2,750,000 coming from a Congressional appropriations through the United States Department of Agriculture, and the remaining \$924,000 to come from the Town's American Rescue Plan Act federal allocation, or other grants and funds available to the Town for the project. The Community Center Project, as proposed, will provide programming space for East Windsor residents. The Project will consolidate the Community

Services Departments - Senior Services, Social Services and Parks and Recreation – into one building.

Voting Information

The following locations are polling places for the April 4, 2023 referendum vote:

Districts 1 – Town Hall Annex/Police Station, 25 School Street, East Windsor, CT 06088

Districts 2 - East Windsor Town Hall, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016

Persons qualified to vote who are not electors shall vote at East Windsor Town Hall, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT, 06016.

You are eligible to vote (1) if you are a registered voter (elector) of the Town of East Windsor, or (2) you are a citizen of the United States, age eighteen or older, who jointly or severally, is liable to the Town of East Windsor for taxes assessed against you on an assessment of not less than \$1,000 on the last completed grand list of the Town of East Windsor, or who would be so liable if not entitled to an exemption under subdivisions (17), (19), (22), (23), (25) or (26) of Section 12-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended.

If you are not a registered voter (elector) in the Town of East Windsor and are voting as a property owner, you must also show proof of citizenship (if not already on file in the Town Clerk's Office). To find out if you have already filed prior to the referendum, please call the Town Clerk at (860) 292-8255 or email alam@eastwindsorct.com. Office hours are Monday–Wednesday from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. and Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, trusts and other legal entities are not citizens of the United States and therefore are not eligible to vote. An individual serving as trustee of a trust that owns the property in the town is not eligible to vote.

Absentee ballots will be available beginning March 20, 2023. Applications may be downloaded from the website or by contacting the Town Clerk at (860) 292-8255 or alam@eastwindsorct.com. If you choose to vote by absentee ballot, submit your completed application to the Town Clerk in person at the Town Clerk's office at 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016. Do not take your absentee ballot to the polling place on the day of the referendum. Ballots must be returned to the Town Clerk by 8:00 P.M. on the day of the referendum.