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# STRATFORD TOWN COUNCIL

Room 212  
2725 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615  
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## NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Pursuant to the direction of Christopher Pia, Chair, the Stratford Town Council will conduct a special meeting on June 29, 2022 in Council Chambers of Stratford Town Hall, 2725 Main Street, Stratford, CT at 5:30 p.m.

## AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ORDINANCES

**2.1 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$12,033,000 FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 (#22-04)**

Sponsored by: Stratford Town Council

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STRATFORD:

Section 1. The sum of \$12,033,000 is hereby appropriated to meet the estimated costs of the public improvements and equipment set forth below, as more fully described in the narrative description of such public improvements and equipment in the capital improvement program of the Town for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, said appropriation to be inclusive of administrative, financing, legal and costs of issuance related thereto:

## **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT**

### Public Works

Parks – Misc. Tree Removal, Disposal and Stump Grinding Program Town-wide	\$150,000.00
Parks – Beach Restoration	5,000.00
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Parks – Longbrook Park Improvements	130,000.00
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Parks – Playground Renovation	150,000.00

Parks – Tennis/Handball Court Repainting/Renovations	25,000.00
Parks – Ballfield Repair Program	75,000.00
Parks – Repairs to Various Town Parks	150,000.00

### Roads & Sewers

Conservation – Storm Water Permit Compliance Disconnect	\$200,000.00
Engineering – Circle Drive Bridge	900,000.00
Engineering – MS4 Implement Infrastructure Repair/Rehab Program	200,000.00
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Highway – Sidewalk Replacement	250,000.00
Highway – Road Resurfacing	1,500,000.00
Highway – Stormwater Pump Station Repairs	200,000.00
Highway – Town Signage	75,000.00

### School Improvements

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### Town Facilities

Bldg Maint – Baldwin Center Renovations	\$500,000.00
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Bldg Maint – Roof Management	50,000.00
Bldg Maint – Renovations at Boothe Parke	200,000.00
Bldg Maint – Renovations at Firehouses	75,000.00
Bldg Maint – town Bldgs – Masonry	150,000.00
Bldg Maint – Public Works Bldgs – Renovations	300,000.00
Bldg Maint – Sterling Homestead – Renovations	100,000.00
Bldg Maint – Town Bldgs – Renovations	700,000.00
Conserv – Underground Tank Testing	20,000.00
Libr – Drop Ceiling, Ductwork, Air Handling Unit & Lighting	

Repl	100,000.00
Public Works Admin – Preliminary Design/Specs for Var Projects	150,000.00

**CAPITAL EQUIPMENT**

Public Safety

Fire – Safety Gear and Equipment	\$150,000.00
Police – Equipment, Installation and Safety Gear	218,000.00

Public Works

Public Works – Equipment	\$770,000.00
Town Garage – Public Works Equip. Replacement & Installation	500,000.00
Roads & Sewers – Engineering – Electronic Info. Mgmt.	25,000.00

School Facilities

BOE – Various School Equipment	\$300,000.00

Town Facilities

Bldg. Maint. – Controls/BMS/Laptops	\$50,000.00

GRAND TOTAL ALL IMPROVEMENT/EQUIPMENT PROJECTS: \$12,033,000

Section 2. Any of the estimated amounts for the public improvements set forth in Section 1 not required to meet the actual cost of such public improvements shall be allocated by the Mayor and Director of Finance as they deem necessary or advisable and in the best interests of the Town to other public improvements previously authorized by the Town Council for bonding, so long as such allocation is consistent with applicable tax and other laws.

Section 3. This ordinance shall become effective thirty days after its passage pursuant to Section 2.2.9 of the Town Charter.

RESOLVED: that the second reading of Ordinance #22-04 be dispensed with as copies thereof have been received by all Council Members, and that the same be adopted as a second reading and the foregoing be and is hereby approved effective thirty days from passage.

**2.2 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,033,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET THE APPROPRIATION FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 AND PENDING ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE (#22-05)**

Sponsored by: Stratford Town Council

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STRATFORD:

Section 1. To meet the appropriation of \$12,033,000 made in the ordinance enacted together herewith for

various public improvements and equipment in the capital improvement program for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 (the "Projects"), \$12,033,000 bonds of the Town may be issued maturing not later than the twentieth year after their date, or such later date as may be allowed by law (the "Bonds") for the Project and in the amounts as set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto.

Section 2. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Mayor and the Director of Finance. The amount of Bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Mayor and the Director of Finance in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Projects determined after considering the estimated amounts and timing of State and Federal grants-in-aid for the Projects, 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 the Bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for costs of issuance of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Mayor and the Director of Finance, 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 Pullman & Comley, LLC, Attorneys-at-Law. 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 Town shall levy taxes in each year to meet principal and interest due and payable on the Bonds issued pursuant to this ordinance.

Section 3. The Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized to determine the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, date, maturity, prices, interest rates whether fixed or floating, form, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying registrar and transfer agent, the manner of sale or other terms and conditions of the Bonds, including the terms of any reserve that might be established as authorized herein, and whether any of the Bonds issued will be issued as taxable bonds, all in such a manner as the Mayor and Director of Finance shall determine to be in the best interests of the Town and in accordance with the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended (the "Connecticut General Statutes"), and to take such actions and to execute such documents, or designate other officials or employees of the Town to take such actions and to execute such documents, as deemed to be necessary or advisable and in the best interests of the Town by the Mayor and Director of Finance in order to issue, sell and deliver the Bonds.

Section 4. The Bonds shall be sold by the Mayor and the Director of Finance in a competitive offering or by negotiation in their 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. If the Bonds are sold by negotiation, the provisions of the bond purchase agreement shall be approved by the Mayor and Director of Finance.

Section 5. The Mayor and the Director of Finance are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the Bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Mayor and the Director of Finance, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the Director of Finance, be approved as to their legality by Pullman & Comley, LLC, Attorneys-at-Law, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the Director of Finance 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, as the same may be amended from time to time. 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 principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or the 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 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 prior to and any time after the date of passage of this ordinance in the maximum amount and for each Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations (“Bonds”) authorized to be issued by the Town. The Bonds shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the project, 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 Director of Finance or her designee is authorized to pay project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of reimbursement bonds, and to amend this declaration.

Section 7. The Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized, if they determine it is in the Town’s best interests, to acquire, on behalf of the Town, bond insurance or other forms of credit enhancement guaranteeing the Bonds on such terms as the Mayor and Director of Finance determine to be appropriate, such terms to include, but not be limited to, those relating to fees, premiums and other costs and expenses incurred in connection with such credit enhancement, the terms of payment of such expenses and costs and such other undertakings as the issuer of the credit enhancement shall require; and the Mayor and Director of Finance, if they determine that it is appropriate, are authorized, on the Town’s behalf, to grant security to the issuer of the credit enhancement to secure the Town’s obligations arising under the credit enhancement, including the establishment of a reserve from proceeds of the Bonds.

Section 8. The Mayor and the Director of Finance are 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 (“MSRB”) and to provide notices to the MSRB of material 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 ordinance. Any agreements or representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 9. The Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized to apply for and accept any available State or Federal grant in aid of the financing of the Projects, and to take all action necessary or proper in connection therewith.

Section 10. The Mayor and Director of Finance in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, are hereby authorized to allocate any unused bond proceeds to public improvements and equipment previously authorized by the Town Council for bonding, consistent with the applicable tax and other laws, as deemed necessary or advisable and in the best interests of the Town by the Mayor and Director of Finance.

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3. ADJOURNMENT