MEMORANDUM

TO:	Town Council
FROM:	David E. Cox, Town Manage
DATE:	April 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Agenda Information – 4/25/2023

The following is additional or summary information regarding matters on the upcoming Town Council Agenda. The numbering below follows the agenda, and some routine or self-explanatory items are not discussed in this memo. As you review your packet materials, please do not hesitate to contact the appropriate staff member or me prior to the Council meeting with any questions or concerns.

7 Resolutions/Ordinances/Policies/Proclamations

7a Fair Housing Resolution – The Council is asked to adopt this annual resolution updating the Town's commitment to upholding and enforcing the doctrine of fair housing for all within the community.

Recommendation: Approve the Resolution.

9 New Business

9a Discussion and possible consideration of actions related to the Town's FY 2024 Annual Budget - The Council is asked to discuss and consider the proposed fiscal year 2023/2024 Town Budgets for Education and General Government and the Town's Capital Improvement Plan. The budgets and plan were developed over several meetings including those of the Capital Improvements Committee, the Board of Education, and the Board of Finance. The Board of Finance recommended budget was received by the Town Council prior to its April 11 meeting. The total recommended budget is \$53,603,971, including \$35,608,655 for Education and \$17,995,316 for General Government, which is divided among Town government expenses (\$13,020,881), Debt Service (\$4,122,435) and Transfers/Capital Improvement (\$852,000). The current version of the budget, which is included in the packet, is also posted on the Town website in the Finance Department as the Board of Finance Proposed FY 2024 Budget. When the Council is prepared to approve a budget for referendum, it is asked to set the Annual Town Meeting and referendum dates. Based on the various timelines for notice to the community of the Town Meeting and referendum, a Town meeting could occur two weeks after the determination is made and the referendum could occur one week after the Town Meeting. Once approved, the budget document will be issued as the Town Council Recommended Budget and posted to the Town website. The Council is also asked to consider and approve the Capital Improvements Plan for FY2024 as recommended by the Board of Finance as included in the draft budget. The Council will ultimately need actions to determine the recommended budget amounts, call the Town Meeting, adjourn consideration of the budgets to referendum, approve the Capital Improvements Plan and approve any use of ARPA funds for capital improvements and purchases.

Recommendation: Discuss and determine how and when to move ahead.

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9b Discussion and possible consideration of actions to approve the Prevention Partnership Youth Survey – Pursuant to policy, the Council is asked to consider and approve the Prevention Partnership's Youth Survey, which is taken every two years as a condition of the grant that funds the alcohol and drug use prevention activities of the Town. The survey, which was also approved by the Board of Education earlier this month, includes questions required by the CDC as well as other questions developed locally to help identify local prevention needs and attitudes. Once approved, the survey will be administered to youth in grades 6 through 12 during a school day in May.

Recommendation: Approve the survey.

9c Discussion and possible action regarding participation in the Regional Housing Committee – The Council is asked to determine whether the Town of East Hampton will participate in the Regional Housing Committee, which was created by the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG) in follow up to the Regional Housing Plan developed last year among the member Towns, including East Hampton. The Regional Housing Committee is intended to provide a forum for ongoing coordination and collaboration on housing issues among the RiverCOG municipalities that choose to participate with the goal of improving housing diversity and opportunity in the region. The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed whether the Town should participate in the voluntary Housing Committee and recommended to the Council that East Hampton participate. If the Town will participate, the Council should determine whether the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Town Manager or the Town Council will appoint the Town member. The Town's member on the Regional Planning Commission is appointed by the Planning and Zoning Commission and it is suggested that the Commission could appoint this member as well.

Recommendation: Approve participation in the Committee and direct the Planning and Zoning Commission to make the appointment.

9d Discussion and possible action regarding the Town Manager's wage adjustment and contract extension – In follow up to the evaluation undertaken earlier this month, the Council is asked to determine any wage adjustment for the Town Manager in fiscal year 2024. Further, the Council may determine to adjust the term of the Town Manager's contract, which automatically moves to a year-toyear basis beginning on September 1, 2023.

Recommendation: Determine any wage adjustment, effective July 1, 2023.

The remainder of the items are of a routine nature, in the sole purview of the Council or are announcements. Please contact me or the appropriate staff member with questions or concerns.

Town of East Hampton Town Council Special Meeting Tuesday, April 4, 2023 Town Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room #201

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Mark Philhower, Vice Chairman Tim Feegel, Council Members Pete Brown, Brandon Goff, Eric Peterson, Kevin Reich and Alison Walck and Town Manager David Cox

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Philhower called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall 2nd Floor Meeting Room #201.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Walck, to adopt the agenda as presented. Voted (7-0)

Executive Session

Town Manager Evaluation

A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to enter Executive Session at 6:32pm with Town Manager David Cox invited into the session. Voted (7-0)

Executive Session ended at 7:43pm.

Possible Action on Executive Session Item

Chairman Philhower asked the members to review the information presented for a vote at the April 25, 2023 meeting regarding salary and the contract for the Town Manager.

A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Walck, to table the contract discussions to the April 25, 2023 meeting. Voted (7-0)

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Goff, to adjourn the meeting at 7:44pm. Voted (7-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Sirois Recording Clerk Minutes transcribed from notes taken by Town Manager Cox

Town of East Hampton Town Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 11, 2023 Town Hall Council Chambers #107 and Zoom

MINUTES

Present: Vice Chairman Tim Feegel, Council Members Pete Brown, Brandon Goff, Kevin Reich and Alison Walck and Town Manager David Cox

Not Present: Chairman Mark Philhower and Eric Peterson

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chairman Feegel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers and via Zoom.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Goff, to adopt the agenda with a change to add an item to Continued Business for an Update on the Gazebo Planting Plan. Voted (5-0)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Reich, to approve the minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting of March 28, 2023 as written. Voted (5-0)

Public Hearing

Amendment to Chapter 278 – Taxation of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Modification of Tax Relief Programs

Amendment to Chapter 18 – Commission on Aging of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Adding Alternate Members

A motion was made by Mr. Reich, seconded by Mr. Goff, to open the Public Hearings for Chapter 278 Taxation and Chapter 18 Commission on Aging. Voted (5-0).

No comments were made.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Public Remarks

None

Presentations None

Bids & Contracts
None

Resolution/ Ordinances/ Policies/ Proclamations

Consideration of a Motion to Approve an Amendment to Chapter 278 – Taxation of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Modification of Tax Relief Programs

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Goff, to approve an amendment to Chapter 278 – Taxation of the Code of the Town of East Hampton regarding modification of tax relief programs as presented. Voted (5-0).

Consideration of a Motion to Approve an Amendment to Chapter 18 – Commission on Aging of the Code of the Town of East Hampton Regarding Adding Alternate Members

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Reich, to approve an amendment to Chapter 18 – Commission on Aging of the Code of the Town of East Hampton regarding adding two alternate members as presented. Voted (5-0).

Continued Business

Sub-Committee Reports & Updates

Mr. Reich reported that the Middle School Roof Committee met. They reviewed and accepted the plans. They were previously approved by the Board of Education. The plans are now at the Department of Administrative Services and once approved can go out to bid.

Update on Belltown Garden Club Gazebo Planting Plan

Ms. Walck reported that the Department of Public Works assisted at the gazebo by digging up the old plants and spreading topsoil that was donated by Paul's and Sandy's. Park & Rec will be putting down mulch. The Garden Club will be purchasing window boxes for annuals until the final planting is done in the summer.

New Business

Review and Possible Action on an Amendment to the Library Collection Policy

Library Director Tim Kellogg provided an overview of the amendment to the Library Collection Policy, which creates a new section describing policies around Special Collections, including a range of specialized materials from historic documents, original works and works of local authors. The amendment was approved by the Library Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Walck, to approve the amendment to the Library Circulation Policy as presented. Voted (5-0).

Town Manager's Report

Mr. Cox provided his written report for the Council members which will be included with the minutes filed in the Town Clerk's Office. Mr. Cox called out a few points from the report including:

- 1. Sewer payment 2nd installments are due by the end of April.
- 2. The status of the new police vehicle is still unknown. It was thought that a VIN and estimated delivery date were available, but this was incorrect. It is possible the order could be cancelled. The vendor is working on the issue.
- 3. Library Director Tim Kellogg is leaving on April 24th. The position has been advertised. Mr. Cox thanked Mr. Kellogg for all he has done while working with at the Library.

Mr. Brown asked about the status of the water project. Mr. Cox reported that last week they pulled some final information from the WPCA and are doing the last check of their hydraulic model.

Vice Chairman Feegel asked if the sand was reclaimed at Sears Park. Mr. Cox reported that it was done over the winter.

Appointments

None

Tax Refunds

A motion was made by Ms. Walck, seconded by Mr. Goff, to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$1,591.66. Voted (5-0)

Public Remarks

Library Director Tim Kellogg thanked Mr. Cox for his kind remarks and noted it was a pleasure to work for the Town and the Library.

Communications, Correspondence & Announcements

March 2023 Board and Commission Summary

Members received the March 2023 Board and Commission Summary.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Walck, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm. Voted (5-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Sirois Recording Clerk

Agenda Item 7a

Office of the TOWN MANAGER DAVID E. COX dcox@easthamptonct.gov



TOWN COUNCIL

Mark Philhower *Chairman* Tim Feegel *Vice Chairman* Pete Brown Brandon Goff Eric Peterson Kevin Reich Alison Walck

FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON, CT

Whereas, All persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and

Whereas, Federal fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

Whereas, Connecticut fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

Whereas, the Town of East Hampton is committed to upholding these laws and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED, That the Town of East Hampton hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Executive Officer of the Town of East Hampton or his designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town of East Hampton and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

Adopted by the Town of East Hampton on Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Mark A. Philhower Town Council Chairman Kelly Bilodeau Town Clerk Welcome to the East Hampton Prevention Partnership 2023 YOUTH SURVEY

Every 2 years East Hampton youth in grades 6th to 12th complete an anonymous and confidential survey that asks about positive things in your life, your beliefs and behaviors, as well as any substance use.

This information helps the community better understand the perspectives of East Hampton youth and enables the East Hampton Prevention Partnership, a local coalition of organizations working together with youth, to provide relevant and meaningful programming.

This survey is anonymous and confidential and cannot be traced back to you. It does not track IP addresses.

Please be honest in your responses. If you are uncomfortable answering any question, please feel free to skip it; however, please indicate your grade level.

If you have any questions, your teacher will assist you.

Please take the survey on a desktop, laptop or tablet. Phones do NOT display the items correctly.

Thank you very much for your participation!

East Hampton Prevention Partnership 2023 YOUTH SURVEY

1. In the past year, how much have you been involved with the following:

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
Playing on or helping with sports teams at school or in the community.	0	0	0	0	0
Clubs or organizations either in or out of school that are not sports (e.g. debate, drama, music, school newspaper, school plays, Scouts, YMCA).	0	0	Ō	0	0
Programs or groups at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other faith-based place.	0	0	0	0	0
Community service or volunteering.	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0
Part-time job.	0	0	0	0	0
Spending 10 or more hours a week on household responsibilities (such as the care of a relative.)	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0

4. On **most school days**, about how **many hours** do you spend on **social media**, including posting, scrolling, commenting, or communicating with others (ex. YouTube, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, Discord, Twitter etc.)? Please estimate.

Please note: **Social media** refers to any website or app used to share information, ideas, personal messages, and other content such as images or videos.

5. Have you experienced **any** of the following as **a result of social media**? (Check all that apply.)

] I chose not to or missed an opportunity to spend time in person with friends because I preferred to be on social media

I got into a verbal or physical fight

I felt more connected with others

I felt left out or excluded

I felt BETTER about myself

I felt WORSE about myself

I felt unsafe because of something said to me on social media

I heard or saw something my parents/guardians would think is inappropriate

6. My parent(s)/guardian...:

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE
are good at talking with me about important or serious things	0	0	0	0
know where I am and who I am with when I go out	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
know what I am doing when I go out	0	0	0	0
love and support me	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0
accept me for who I am	0	0	0	0
stand by me and support me, even if I don't live up to their expectations	0	0	0	\bigcirc

7. Is there an ADULT (other than your parent(s)/guardian) that you trust that you can talk to about important things?

Yes

O No

Teacher (current or past)	Community leader (club, scouts, youth gro
School Counselor	volunteer organization, internship or job supervisor)
School administrator	Therapist
School nurse	Leader from my faith community
Sports coach	Grandparent/Other family member (Aunt, Older sibling or cousin)
	Family friend, parent of a friend, neighbor
Other (please specify)	

9. How wrong do your parents/guardians feel it would be for you to do the following?

	Not at all wrong	A little bit wrong	Wrong	Very wrong
Drink 1 or 2 alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day?	0	0	0	0
Drink 5 or more alcoholic beverages on one occasion?	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Drink alcohol on weekends?	0	0	0	0
Smoke cigarettes or use tobacco?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0
Use nicotine through a vaping device (JUUL, Blu, Puff Bar)?	0	0	0	0
Use marijuana or THC products (includes use through a vaping device, smoking it, eating it/edibles, inhaling it)?	0	0	0	0
Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you?	0	0	0	0

10. My parent(s)/guardian has clear rules discouraging me from:

	Strongly Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree
Drinking alcoholic beverages	0	0	0	0
Smoking cigarettes or using tobacco	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Vaping nicotine (Juul, Blue, Puff Bar)	0	0	0	0
Using marijuana or THC products (including smoking, vaping, edibles)	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Using a prescription drug that is not prescribed to you	0	0	0	0
Gambling for money or possessions (e.g. sports betting, poker, lottery, scratch off tickets, online games).	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc

11. My parent(s)/guardian has clear rules about:

	Strongly Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree
Communicating with others via text or on social media, including sending or posting inappropriate pictures.	0	0	0	0
The amount of time spent playing video games, electronic or online games.	0	0	\bigcirc	0
My social media use (amount of time, which Apps are allowed/not allowed)	0	0	0	0

13. How would you describe yourself	?
O White or Caucasian	O American Indian or Alaska Native
O Black or African American	O Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
🔿 Asian or Asian American	O Multiracial (e.g. more than 1 race)
14. Are you Hispanic, Latino/a/x?	
⊖ Yes	
◯ No	
15. Which of the following most close	ly aligns with your gender?
O Female	O Prefer not to answer
O Male	O Not Listed
O Nonbinary	
Not listed (option to fill in):	
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16. Do you identify as a member of th	le LGB1Q+ community?
○ YES	
○ NO	
Unsure/Don't Know/Questioning	
 Unsure/Don't Know/Questioning Prefer not to answer 	
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17. On most school days, about how many hours do you spend playing video games? (Please estimate.)

This question refers to games (e.g.video games, electronic or online gaming.) you can play on any electronic device. Examples include, but are not limited to Fortnite, World of Warcraft, Minecraft, Roblox, Call of Duty, and mobile gaming apps. 18. Have you experienced any of the following as a result of playing video games? (Check all that apply)

I did not get enough sleep

I heard or saw things my parents/guardians would think is inappropriate

I did not complete my homework or study

] I chose not to spend time in person with friends because I preferred to play video games

I got into a verbal or physical fight

I felt more connected with others

I earned credibility with my peers for how well I played

I have been asked for personal information by a stranger (e.g. name, town you live, age, etc.)

] I was threatened by another gamer

I spent too much money (e.g. loot boxes)

None of the above

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19. How easy or hard would it be for you to get the following substances if you wanted them?

	Very hard	Sort of hard	Sort of easy	Very easy
Alcohol such as beer, wine, hard liquor, alcoholic seltzers, etc.	0	0	0	0
Marijuana or THC products	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Delta 8 products	0	0	0	0
A vaping device with nicotine (JUUL, Blu, Puff Bar)	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0
Cigarettes or other tobacco products (chewing or pipe tobacco, cigars, snuff, pouches etc.)	0	0	0	0
Prescription drugs that are NOT prescribed to you – (e.g. for the purpose of 'getting high' or to feel good)	0	0	0	0
Drug equipment and supplies (pipes, bongs, rolling papers)	0	0	0	0

20. Are the following substances kept locked or secured from kids in your home? (e.g. in a locked cabinet or fridge, sealed with a sticker, or otherwise inaccessible to you.)

	Not applicable/ not kept in my home	Yes	No	Not sure
Alcohol	0	0	0	0
Marijuana or THC products	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Prescription Drugs	0	0	0	0

21. My parent(s)/guardian...:

	Strongly Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree
think it is okay to drink alcohol if you are underage (younger than 21 years old).	0	0	0	0
think it is okay to use marijuana or THC products if you are underage (younger than 21 years old).	0	0	0	0
think it is okay to vape nicotine if you are underage (younger than 21 years old).	0	0	0	0
take steps to ensure that underage youth cannot GET alcohol from our house. (e.g. alcohol is locked up or not accessible to underage youth)	0	0	0	0
take steps to ensure that underage youth DO NOT DRINK alcohol in our house.	0	0	0	0

22. How much do you think **people risk harming themselves** physically or in other ways, when they do the following:

	No Risk	Slight Risk	Moderate Risk	Great Risk
Drink 1 or 2 alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day?	0	0	0	0
Use nicotine through a vaping device (JUUL, Blu, Puff Bar) daily?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Drink 5 or more alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, liquor), 1 or 2 times a week?	0	0	0	0
Drink 5 or more drinks on one occasion?	0	0	\bigcirc	0
Smoke cigarettes, 1 or more packs a day?	0	0	0	0
Use nicotine through a vaping device (JUUL, Blu, Puff Bar) 1 or 2 times a week?	0	0	0	\bigcirc
Use Delta 8 products, 1 or 2 times a week?	0	0	0	0
Use marijuana or THC products, 1 or 2 times a week?	0	0	0	\bigcirc
Use prescription drugs not prescribed to them?	0	0	0	0

23. How wrong do your friends feel it would be for you to do the following?

	Not at all wrong	A little bit wrong	Wrong	Very wrong
Drink 1 or 2 alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, liquor) nearly every day?	0	0	0	0
Drink 5 or more drinks on one occasion?	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Drink 10 or more drinks on one occasion?	0	0	0	0
Drink alcohol on weekends?	0	\bigcirc	0	0
Smoke cigarettes or use tobacco in any form?	0	0	0	0
Use nicotine through a vaping device (JUUL, Blu, Puff Bar)?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Use Delta 8 products	0	0	0	0
Use marijuana or THC products (includes use through a vaping device, smoking it, eating it/edibles, inhaling it)?	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
Use prescription drugs not prescribed to you?	0	0	0	0
4. During the last 3	12 months, how r	nany times have you	1?	
	Never/ Not applicable	1 tim	e	2 or more times
Ridden in a car whose driver had been drinking or	0	0		0

25. During the last 12 months did you ever feel:

		YES		NO
so sad or hopel almost every day 2 weeks or more row that you sto doing some usua activities?	/ for in a pped	0		0
so anxious almos every day for 2 weeks or more in row that you stop doing some usua activities?	n a pped	0		0
26. Do you kno	ow where to go fo			
V	Y	es	No	Not sure
You, a friend or family member a struggling with a mental health is:	a (0	0	0
You are concerned for yourself, a fri or family member about substance use?	iend er ()	0	0
27. From the li	st below, rank th	e top 3 that in	nfluence you or people	your age, to drink ?
	Adult role modeling	J		
	Alcohol readily ava	ilable		
	Anger/upset with se	omeone		
	Boredom			
	Curiosity			
	Feel better about m	yself		
≡ ()	Friends/ peer press	шге		
	Like the taste			
	Reduce stress			
	To have fun			
	Social media (seein	g pictures, prom	otion of alcohol or other sub	stances, advertisements, etc.)

28. From the l	list be	elow, rank the top 3	that influence you	ı, or people your ag	e, NOT to drink?	
	Alco	Alcohol seems scary				
	Can	't drink because of medi	cation I take			
≡ ()	Fam	ily history of addiction				
≡	Follo	owing sport's/club's rule	es			
≣	Frie	nd group does not drink	ς.			
	Hav	en't had the opportunity	/			
	lt's a	against the law				
	Just	don't want to				
≡ ()	Pare	ents are strict				
	Pare	ent disapproval				
	Play	sports/involved with clu	ub(s)			
	Reli	gious or other beliefs				
= []	100	young to drink				
()			. On how many day	75, if any, did you D	RINK ALCOHOL:	
()		young to drink r the past 30 days .	. On how many day	ys, if any, did you D	RINK ALCOHOL:	
()	k ove		. On how many day Occasionally (1-5 days)	ys, if any, did you D Frequently (5-20 days)	RINK ALCOHOL: Almost every day (21+ days)	
29. Think bacl	k ove	r the past 30 days . I have used, but not	Occasionally (1-5	Frequently (5-20	Almost every day	

30. How old were you when you first drank an alcohol beverage (more than a sip and not for religious activities?)

31. When you drink, how often do you get the alcohol from the following?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes/ occasionally	Often
A parent/guardian, WITH permission	0	0	0	0
A parent/guardian, WITHOUT permission	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0
An adult, non-family member, with permission	0	0	0	0
A friend/peer gave it to me	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
A sibling gave it to me	0	0	0	0
Bought it from someone else	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Bought it myself at a store in East Hampton	0	0	0	0
Bought it myself at a store in Portland	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Bought it myself at a store NOT in East Hampton or Portland	0	0	0	0
I got it in some other way	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0

32. When you drink, how often do you drink at the following locations?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes/ occasionally	Often
At home alone	0	0	0	0
At home with a parent/guardian present	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
With friends at either my home or my friends' home	0	0	0	0
In a car	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
In the school building	0	0	0	0
Outside on school property	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
At a party	0	0	0	0
A public place, beach, park, woods, or street	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0
Other (please specify)				

33. During the last 12 months, how many times have you...?

	Never/ Not applicable	1 time	2 or more times
Been drunk or high at school or at a school event (prom, football games, etc.)?	0	0	0
Drunk 4 or more alcoholic drinks in less than 2 hours?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0
Drunk 10 or more alcoholic drinks on one occasion?	0	0	0
Driven a car after you had been drinking?	0	0	\bigcirc
Drunk so much you blacked out or forgot what happened?	0	0	0
Had a hangover?	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Needed a drink to have fun?	0	0	0
Played competitive drinking games? (e.g. beer pong)	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

34. Think back over the past **30 days**. On how many days, if any, did you use marijuana or THC products (includes use through a vaping device, smoking, eating /edibles, inhaling)?:

I have NEVER used.	I have used, but NOT in the last 30 days.	Occasionally (1-5 days)	Frequently (5-20 days)	Almost every day (21+ days)
0	0	0	0	0

35. Please indicate the methods and frequency you have used the **following marijuana and THC products** (weed, cannabis) **in the past year**:

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes/ occasionally	Often
Smoked or inhaled (e.g. joint, bong, bowl, bat, etc.)	0	0	0	0
Consumed edibles (e.g. baked goods, candy, soda or other items that contain marijuana or THC)	0	0	\bigcirc	0
Vaped	0	0	0	0
Dabbed (e.g. wax or hash)	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc
Synthetic marijuana (e.g. Delta-8, Spice, K2, K3)	0	0	0	0
Other (please specify)				

36. How old were you when you first used marijuana or THC (including smoking, vaping, edibles, etc.)?

37. Where do you GET the marijuana or THC products?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes/ occasionally	Often
A parent/guardian, with permission	0	0	0	0
A parent/guardian, without permission	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0
An adult, non-family member, with permission	0	0	0	0
A friend/peer gave it to me	0	0	\bigcirc	0
A sibling gave it to me	0	0	0	0
Bought it from someone else	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Bought it from internet or social media (e.g. Snapchat)	0	0	0	0
Bought myself at a store in East Hampton	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Bought myself at a store in Portland	0	0	0	0
Bought myself at a store NOT in East Hampton/Portland	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Medical marijuana dispensary	0	0	0	0
I got it in some other way	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Bought/Was provided at school	0	0	0	0

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes/ occasionally	Often
At home, alone	0	0	0	0
At home, with parent guardian present	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
With friends at my home or my friends' home	0	0	0	0
In a car	\bigcirc	0	0	0
In the school building	0	0	0	0
Outside on school property	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
At a party	0	0	0	0
A public place, beach, park, woods, or street	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
ther (please specify)				

39. During the last 12 months, how many times have you...?

	Never/ Not applicable	1 time	2 or more times
Driven a car after you had been using marijuana or THC product?	0	0	0
Greened out or passed out after dabbing (using marijuana or THC product)	0	0	0

40. Think back over the **past 30 days**. On how many days, if any, did you use:

	I have NEVER used.	I have used, but NOT in the past 30 days.	Occasionally (1-5 days)	Frequently (5-20 days)	Almost every day (21+ days)
cigarettes	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
other tobacco products (chewing or pipe tobacco, cigars, snuff, pouches etc.)	\bigcirc	0	0		\bigcirc
use a vaping device or e-cig with flavored e-liquid.	0	0	0	0	0

41. Think back over the **past 30 days**. On how many days, if any, did you use a vaping device or e-cig with nicotine (JUUL, Blu, Puff Bar etc.):

I have NEVER used.	I have used, but NOT in the past 30 days.	Occasionally (1-5 days)	Frequently (5-20 days)	Almost every day (21+ days)
\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc

42. How old were you when you first used **a vaping device with nicotine** (JUUL, Blu, Puff Bar etc.)?

43. Where do you **GET** the vaping device(s) with nicotine?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes/ occasionally	Often	
A parent/guardian, with permission	0	0	0	0	
A parent/guardian, without permission	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	
An adult, non-family member, with permission	0	0	0	0	
A friend/peer gave it to me	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	
A sibling gave it to me	0	0	0	0	
Bought it from someone else	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Bought it from internet or social media (e.g. Snapchat)	0	0	0	0	
Bought myself at a store in East Hampton	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Bought myself at a store in Portland	0	0	0	0	
Bought myself at a store NOT in East Hampton or Portland	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
I got it in some other way	0	0	0	0	
Bought/Was provided at school	0	0	0	\bigcirc	

44. Where do you USE the vaping devices with nicotine?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes/ occasionally	Often
At home, alone	0	0	0	0
At home, with parent guardian present	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
With friends at my home or my friends' home	0	0	0	0
În a car	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
In the school building	0	0	0	0
Outside on school property	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
At a party	0	0	0	0
A public place, beach, park, woods, or street	0	\bigcirc	0	0
Other (please specify)				

45. Think back over the **past 30 days**. On how many days, if any, did you use:

	I have NEVER used.	I have used, but NOT in the past 30 days .	Occasionally (1-5 days)	Frequently (5-20 days)	Almost every day (21+ days)
prescription drugs not prescribed to you?	0	0	0	0	0
prescription pain relievers such as Vicodin, OxyContin, or Percocet without a doctor's order?	0	0	0	0	0
prescription tranquilizers or benzodiazepines such as Valium, Xanax, or Ativan, without a doctor's order?	0	0	0	0	0
prescription stimulants such as Ritalin or Adderall, without a doctor's order?	0	0	0	0	0
46. Are you awa	re of counterfe	it pills or laced	medications (e	.g. fetanyl)?	
O Yes					
O No					
7. During the last	t 12 months , h	low many times	s have you?		
7. During the last	t 12 months , h Never, Not applic	1	have you?	2 or	more times
Driven a car while	Never	1		2 or	more times
7. During the last Driven a car while texting? Gambled (e.g. scratch-off tickets, online bets, sports betting, fantasy sports leagues, poker etc.)? (Gambling is the risk of losing money or something of value in a game or bet.)	Never	1		2 or	more times

48. During the last 12 months, how many times have you...?

	Never/ Not applicable	1 time	2 or more times
Had to take care of a friend who got too drunk?	0	0	0
Had an unwanted or negative experience related to alcohol use (e.g. fight, sexual encounter) ?	0	0	0

49. Bullying means the repeated communication (written, verbal or electronic) or physical acts by one or more people that cause someone physical or emotional harm, including fear, creates a hostile environment and/or damage to property.

During the past 12 months:

	YES	NO
Have you ever been bullied on school property?	0	0
Have you ever been bullied outside of school property?	0	0
Have you ever been electronically/cyber bullied? (e.g. through texting, Instagram, Snapchat, or other social media.)	0	0
Have you ever bullied anyone?	0	0

50. How connected do you feel to:

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely
The adults IN your school	0	0	0	0	0
The adults OUTSIDE of school	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
The youth IN your school	0	0	0	0	0
The community where you live	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

51. Please choose the response that best describes how you feel.

	Strongly Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree
My teachers really care about me.	0	0	0	0
Students in my school care about me.	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
I feel safe at school.	0	0	0	0
I feel safe in my community.	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Adults in East Hampton value youth my age (e.g. adults listen to what we have to say, they make us feel important).	0	0	0	0

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS IMPORTANT SURVEY!

Agenda Item 12

Office of the COLLECTOR OF REVENUE KRISTY MERRIFIELD, CCMC kmerrifield@easthamptonct.gov



April 25, 2023

To: The East Hampton Town Council,

The documentation for the tax refunds listed below is available in the Office of the Collector of Revenue for your review. There are two (2) refunds totaling \$285.55.

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Kristy L. Merrifield, CCMC Collector of Revenue

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Agenda Item 14a

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

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Mr. Louis A. Carillo 38 Old Middletown Ave East Hampton, CT 06424

FOWLER-DIX-PARK POST NO. 5095 20 N Maple Street East Hempton, Connecticut 06424



ton lown Manager of Town Council, are cordially

invited to participate in the East Hampton Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 29

This year, we again invite you to enter a float. Floats should be of patriotic theme. Trophies will be awarded for 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} place.

The parade will assemble at the East Hampton High School on North Maple Street at 8:30a.m. Please feel free to contact me at 860-462-3711 if you have questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

Louis Carillo, President VFW Post #5095 Memorial Day Parade Veterans Association



From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Tania Sones <taniaksones@gmail.com> Wednesday, April 5, 2023 11:05 PM Sirois, Cathy boardofed@easthamptonct.org 800k taken out of the BOE budget? An Absolute NO.

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To the Town Council,

Do not support the BOE budget as it is being presented by the Board of Finance. Be sure to <u>send it back</u> to them for cutting nearly \$800k from the Board of Education budget and advise to restore the funding. The educational system cannot sustain such significant cuts.

If it's not sent back, I will be sure to vote NO on the Education budget and continue to vote NO with the BOE budget being TOO LOW.

Board of Finance,

If you need to send a message to the legislature about unfunded mandates, the way to do so is <u>NOT</u> through taking the money out of <u>our own</u> East Hampton children's funding. You are only damaging the very future residents you are supposed to take care of. This clearly shows you do not support all residents of East Hampton.

I will remember this in November when it is time to vote and will encourage others to vote accordingly.

Sincerely,

Tania Sones 17 Curry Lane

From: Sent: To: Subject: Chris Briggs <briggsy230@gmail.com> Thursday, April 6, 2023 9:00 AM Sirois, Cathy Education budget

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Good morning Board of Finance members.

My name is Chris Briggs. I reside at 19 Barton Hill Rd. Not only am I a town citizen, but I am also a teacher right here at East Hampton Middle School.

I am writing to you this morning to express my sincere displeasure at your decision to cut the Board of Education budget. This decision is not in the best interest of our town and especially the children in this town. Superintendent Smith has always worked extremely hard to present a budget to the town that is as lean as possible. Having attended many of the BoE budget meetings this year, I saw first hand that the presented budget represents the projected cost to merely *maintain* the current programs that are in place in our schools. Let me tell you - as an educator here in town while we are all doing our absolute best to teach our children at our current budget level, even the current level is NOT ENOUGH to provide the best for our children.

Our teachers already come to work every single day prepared to "do battle" with resources that are, quite frankly, not enough. Classroom teachers are already being tasked to not only be educators, but also social workers, guidance counselors, therapists, and nurses. But we all do understand that given the current economic conditions, we must do whatever we can and whatever it takes to be the best for our students. We have faith in Superintendent Smith that he will (and has) put forth a budget that will help us all teach our children to an appropriate level and still be a budget that is workable for the whole community. We trust him to give us a budget that helps us continue to be amazing - And we are! Looking across this district, I see teachers, interventionists, administrators, paras, and more - giving and working tirelessly with what we have been given to support our students, teach our students, care for our students, and love our students.

But to now cut that budget from something that the EXPERTS in this town have put to you, is an absolute slap in the face to all the hardworking educators in this town. What you are now asking of them is beyond the pale. The people in this town who will suffer the most from your hasty decision will be the educators and, most importantly, the children.

By using our town's children as a weapon to air your grievances to the State, you are denying our children their basic right to quality education. They will be the biggest victims here, and they are the only ones without an official say in this whole matter. I can't believe that you would put your own personal agendas about state mandates and the like above our children. What I do believe is that you are honor bound to NOT make this decision to hurt our town's children. You must allow the decision to be made by the people of this town. Restore the budget to its original number and send it to referendum - let the people decide.

I appreciate you taking the time to read this letter, and I hope that it is shared with every member of the BoF.

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Kimm Paluska <kpaluska@yahoo.com> Sunday, April 9, 2023 9:11 PM Sirois, Cathy boardofed@easthamptonct.org Education Budget

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To the Town Council,

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If it's not sent back, I will be sure to vote NO on the Education budget and continue to vote NO with the BOE budget being TOO LOW.

To the Board of Finance,

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I will remember this in November when it is time to vote and will encourage others to vote accordingly.

Sincerely, Kimberly Paluska East Hampton Resident

From:Julie and Erik Johnson <johnson7479@yahoo.com>Sent:Friday, April 7, 2023 10:24 AMTo:Sirois, Cathy; boardofed@easthamptonct.org; Paul SmithSubject:Budget

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Good morning,

We are writing to you today asking you to return the budget to the Board of Finance and have the nearly \$800,000 that was cut from the proposed education budget reinstated. For the past 13 years that our three children have been in EHPS not once have their educational needs been fully met in a budget. Our children have experienced loss of teachers and staff, extra large class sizes, lack of materials, course offerings being cut, virtually zero enrichment opportunities, outdated text books, lack of technology and the list could go on and on. And that's just the education budget side.

On the town side, we have seen our neighborhood streets remain in need of repair, few new businesses, many empty buildings, lack of opportunities and again, the list could go on. Yet, in the 17 years that we've lived in this town our taxes have increased every year and we've seen little to nothing from those increases.

Don't misunderstand our position, we are willing to pay higher taxes to see a return. The easiest return would and should be in our children. And yet the education budget remains underfunded. Our oldest child is a senior this year and the college process was enlightening. Our son was being recruited for soccer and upon visiting with many college coaches who reviewed his transcript we heard many times over that it appeared East Hampton High School didn't look very challenging based on his GPA and class rank. And our son is an A/B student in all level 1 classes and also took several AP classes and the UConn English class. He availed himself to as many AP options as possible but with limited staff and resources only so many can be offered each semester. Imagine how we felt as parents hearing that we potentially harmed our son's chances to get into college because of the choice we made 17 years ago to live in East Hampton. Our kids and all of the kids in East Hampton over and over again sacrifices opportunities for our children and uses them as the sacrificial lambs and scapegoats. We will vote no on both budgets repeatedly until funding is completely restored. The time of veiled threats of vote no and things will only get worse ends with us today. Our votes matter and we will not continue to throw them away at a budget that raises our taxes but gives us nothing in return.

Thank you, Erik and Julie Johnson 3 Saffron Lane East Hampton, CT 06424

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Patience Coleman <patiencecoleman19@gmail.com> Monday, April 10, 2023 10:02 AM Sirois, Cathy Education Budget

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To the Town Council,

I encourage you to send the BOE budget back to the Board of Finance to add money back in. Our schools can not sustain almost \$800k in cuts to their funding. The Board of Finance must be encouraged to readdress the education budget, and add money back. They should also be reminded that "taking a stand" on the backs of our children is NOT an acceptable way to send a message to the State Legislature. It is both harmful to our children and reckless with regard to the future of the town.

Sincerely, Patience Coleman 52 School House Lane

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Audrey Stein <audreydobras@gmail.com> Thursday, April 13, 2023 10:27 PM Sirois, Cathy BOF cuts

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To the members of the Town Council,

I am writing to suggest that you send the budgets back to the Board of Finance and advise them to reinstate the funding they arbitrarily cut from the Education Budget, as well as the funding for the position at the Senior Center and the funding for the Ambulance association. Parents in this town will not stand for the almost \$800k in cuts to education. No one wants this to

turn into a rerun of 2018, but that's where we are headed with these ridiculous cuts. I will not support either budget as proposed by the BOF, and there are plenty of parents, seniors, and

other residents in town who feel the same way.

Sincerely, Audrey Stein 124 Main St.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Sara Perez <sara.perez24@gmail.com> Thursday, April 13, 2023 9:43 AM Sirois, Cathy boardofed@easthamptonct.org; Woessner, Dennis BOE and Town Budgets

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To the Town Council,

I ask that you do not support the BOE budget as it is being presented by the Board of Finance. Be sure to send it back to them for cutting nearly \$800,000 from the Board of Education budget and advise them to restore the funding. The educational system cannot sustain such significant cuts. After the past 3 years of the pandemic, our children need the teachers we have, not less. Children will not benefit by being crammed into crowded classrooms by having their class size grow to 24-26 students. This is unacceptable! Teachers were so very important during the pandemic – being asked to go over and above their normal duties. Yet now the BOF is sending a message that teachers don't matter. The community cares!

Additionally, do not support the Town budget as the Board of Finance has presented. The cuts made to the town budget, specifically to the Police Department and senior center do not help our community. Chief Woessner has asked for funds to help his stretched-thin department, yet it continues to be on the chopping block each year. Our senior population needs to know that their needs are as important as the rest of the town.

If these budgets are not sent back, I will be sure to vote **NO** on both the Education budget and Town budget and continue to vote **NO** with **BOTH** budgets being **TOO LOW**.

To the Board of Finance,

If you need to send a message to the legislature about unfunded mandates, the way to do so is NOT through taking the money out of our own East Hampton children's funding. After the past 3 years of the pandemic, our children need the teachers we have. Children will not benefit by being crammed into crowded classrooms by having their class size grow to 24-26 students. This is unacceptable! Teachers were so very important during the pandemic – being asked to go over and above their normal duties. Why are you sending a message that now they're not important?

Additionally, cutting funding to an already stretched thin Police Department and underfunded Senior Center is unacceptable. The town has asked via surveys and through proposed budgets for things that are needed, yet you continue to cut away at services to the detriment of the community. Town Services such as these – education, public safety, and caring for our seniors – are what makes East Hampton a wonderful place to live.

You are only hurting the residents you are supposed to represent and take care of. This clearly shows you <u>do not</u> support all residents of East Hampton.

I will remember this in November when it is time to vote and will encourage others to vote accordingly.

Sincerely, Sara W. Perez 110 Comstock Trl East Hampton, CT 06424

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Maureen Maalouf <momaalouf@hotmail.com> Friday, April 14, 2023 9:30 AM Sirois, Cathy boardofed@easthamptonct.org Cuts to education

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Good Morning,

It has come to my attention that you intend to cut an astonishing \$792,000 from the education budget. This is an enormous cut that would result in many teachers lost, increased class sizes, as well as innumerable other losses in the schools. These cuts would also likely eliminate the school psychologist from the middle and high school. In a time when school shootings seem to be growing more common I fail to see how removing support for our teens is a wise move. I would like to remind you that you are responsible to create a budget that serves the needs of ALL of the residents of this town. This change does not serve the needs of the children. It also does not serve the needs of those who own homes, since property values are tied to a thriving school system.

I am furious that these cuts were even considered. I respectfully ask that the budget be revised to reinstate funding to education.

Thank you for considering my opinion.

Sincerely, Maureen Maalouf 45 Chatham Fields Rd

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Emilie Keser <emilie.keser@gmail.com> Monday, April 17, 2023 9:24 AM Sirois, Cathy boardofed@easthamptonct.gov Disapprove of Budget

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I am writing to express my concern for the proposed \$800,000 budget cut to education. The cuts to the budget are unacceptable, especially the classroom teachers that would be cut in the proposed budget. Increasing class sizes to 24-26 students is detrimental to our students and to our teachers who already give so much of themselves to our community. Students will not get the support they need to succeed as learners. In this economy I understand and agree with fiscal responsibility and conservative spending; however education is an area that cannot afford to be cut and I urge you to send the budget back to the Board of Finance and advise to restore the funding.

If it is not sent back I will be sure to vote NO on the budget and continue to vote no - now and in the future when Town Council and Board of Finance positions are up for re-election.

If you need to send a message to the legislature about unfunded mandates, taking money out of East Hampton's funding is not the answer. You are only damaging the future of our town, and this is a clear display of your lack of support for East Hampton residents.

"Education is the investment our generation makes in the future." - Mitt Romney

Emilie Krutoholow 40 Walnut Ave East Hampton CT

From: Contact form at easthamptonct <cmsmailer@civicplus.com> Wednesday, April 19, 2023 4:08 PM Sent: **Town Council** Subject: [easthamptonct] Support for the East Hampton Ambulance Association (Sent by Sue Greeno, greenosue@gmail.com)

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Hello Town Council,

Sue Greeno (greenosue@gmail.com) has sent you a message via your contact form (https://www.easthamptonct.gov/user/27/contact) at easthamptonct.

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Message:

As both a resident and older adult of East Hampton, living at 1 Stonegate Road, I am disappointed by East Hampton's Board of Finance's decision to not fund the East Hampton Ambulance Association in the coming year's budget. The Ambulance Association has been able to operate independently, providing a key service to town residents for many, many, years, without the financial support of the town up until now. Now the need is present! I hope you, as Town Council members, will recognize the value of keeping this important service local and accessible. Support for the Ambulance Association will insure that in an emergency, you will have a response time that may save your life or those whom you care about. I have counseled hundreds of older adults throughout my career and not all CT towns are fortunate enough to have a local, compassionate, and caring ambulance service such as ours. I have seen what can happen when a town has to rely on one of the big vendors. Response times are generally slower and outcomes worse. Please consider including funding for the East Hampton Ambulance Association. Thank you for your consideration,

Sue Greeno

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From:	Commission on Aging
Sent:	Wednesday, April 19, 2023 7:10 PM
То:	Alison Walck; Alison Walck; Brandon Goff; Brown, Pete; Cox, David; Eric Peterson; Eric Peterson; Feegel, Tim; Mark Philhower; Pete Brown; Philhower, Mark; Reich, Kevin; Sirois,
	Cathy; Tim Feegel
Subject:	In support of the Ambulance Association

To the Town Council:

I am writing to you in support of the East Hampton Ambulance Association budget request for \$176,000 to continue to hire professional EMT staff to fill in some shifts that they cannot fill with their volunteer members. I am writing as an individual, not as Chair of the Commission on Aging, because the COA discussion of this matter will not occur until next week.

Please remember that there are approximately 2,180 adults aged 65 or over in our town. As you know, adults in this age group are understandably very focused on issues of health and disease and are the most common users of emergency ambulance services. Protecting their access to the rapid and reliable services that they now enjoy will bring them gratification and relief. On the other hand, putting their safety and security at risk will create anxiety and resentment.

I have personal experience with their services, as I dialed 911 two years ago when I had chest pain. As a doctor who spent much of my training in the emergency room, I was very impressed with their rapid and highquality response to my needs. I also know as a doctor that with acute medical conditions such as stroke, heart attack, and hemorrhage, time is of the essence, and delays can be catastrophic.

Therefore I urge you to restore the funding requested by the East Hampton Ambulance Association, which has served our town for decades on a purely volunteer basis, but now needs to fund some shifts with paid EMTs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Eric Rosenberg, MD

From:Contact form at easthamptonct <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>Sent:Wednesday, April 19, 2023 7:54 PMTo:Town CouncilSubject:[easthamptonct] East Hampton Ambulance (Sent by Kathy Lundquist, dkcm2
@sbcglobal.net)

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Hello Town Council,

Kathy Lundquist (<u>dkcm2@sbcglobal.net</u>) has sent you a message via your contact form (<u>https://www.easthamptonct.gov/user/27/contact</u>) at easthamptonct.

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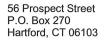
I writing to the council to express my support to fund the East Hampton Ambulance association. I have lived in town for over 30 years and believe that the ambulance association is an important part of our town.

I am a nurse and I spent 27 years working in an Emergency department. I know first hand how the impact of prehospital care can make on saving lives. Having a ambulance department that is available to readily get to patients that are experiencing an emergency can make a difference between survival and death. If there is no funding the hours of coverage of the East Hampton ambulance will probably be reduced which will cause delays in treatments for those experiencing an emergency. Is this something you want to have for your self or your loved ones? I certainly do not especially since my husband and I are now getting older.

Please support the necessary funding for the East Hampton ambulance association. Lives depend on this vial service.

Kathy Lundquist, MSN, RN

Agenda Item 14c



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April 10, 2023

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Re: East of Hurd State Park to East Haddam Junction 1772, 362, 376, and 364 Lines Rebuild Project; Towns of East Hampton, Haddam, and East Haddam, Connecticut

Dear Ms. Bachman:

The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy ("Eversource") submits this Petition requesting from the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") a Declaratory Ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for proposed modifications to four existing transmission lines located in an Eversource right-of-way that extends approximately 6.2 miles from a location that is east of Hurd State Park in the Town of East Hampton, through the Town of Haddam (including connections to Haddam Neck Switching Station), to East Haddam Junction in the Town of East Haddam, Connecticut ("the East of Hurd State Park to East Haddam Junction Line Rebuild Project" or "Project").

Prior to submitting this Petition to the Council, Eversource representatives briefed East Hampton, Haddam, and East Haddam officials about the Project. In addition, Eversource provided written notice to all abutters regarding the proposed work and the filing of this Petition with the Council. Attachment A of this Petition includes Project maps, as well as line lists that identify the abutting property owners who were notified of the Project.

Eversource is submitting this filing electronically and also is providing one hard copy original and 15 additional copies to the Council, along with the requisite \$625 filing fee.

Sincerely,

Deborah Deufeld

Deborah Denfeld Team Lead – Transmission Siting

Attachments

cc: David E. Cox, Town Manager, Town of East Hampton Robert McGarry, First Selectman, Town of Haddam Irene M. Haines, First Selectman, Town of East Haddam

THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY doing business as EVERSOURCE ENERGY

PETITION TO THE CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL FOR A DECLARATORY RULING OF NO SUBSTANTIAL ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT FOR PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE EXISTING 1772, 362 376, AND 364 LINES AND MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE HADDAM NECK SWITCHING STATION IN THE TOWNS OF EAST HAMPTON, HADDAM, AND EAST HADDAM, CONNECTICUT

1. Introduction

The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy ("Eversource" or the "Company") hereby petitions the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") for a Declaratory Ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("Certificate") is required pursuant to Section 16-50g <u>et seq</u>. of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.") for proposed modifications to the 1772, 362, 376, and 364 lines that occupy approximately 6.2 miles of an Eversource transmission line right-of-way ("ROW") that extends generally south-southeast from east of Hurd State Park in the Town of East Hampton, through the Town of Haddam to East Haddam Junction in the Town of East Haddam, as well as minor modifications to Haddam Neck Switching Station (located in Haddam), as described herein, the East of Hurd State Park to East Haddam Junction Rebuild Project ("the Project").

Eversource submits that a Certificate is not required because the proposed modifications would be within the existing ROW or within Haddam Neck Switching Station and would not have a substantial adverse environmental effect.

2. Purpose of the Project

The purpose of the Project is to replace a total of 58 structures on the four single-circuit transmission lines that occupy the ROW from a location east of Hurd State Park to East Haddam Junction and to replace the existing aged Alumoweld shield wire with optical ground wire ("OPGW"). Forty of the structure replacements are required due to age-related degradation and/or the inability of the existing structures to physically support the new OPGW. In addition, 18 structures will be replaced as opportunity structures, due to their age, in order to maximize the efficiency of age-related structure replacements and forestall a need to complete additional structure replacements in this ROW in the near future. The Project will involve select structure

replacements on the four transmission lines and the replacement of existing static wire with OPGW, as follows:

- *East of Hurd State Park to Haddam Neck Switching Station*. Along this 2.8-mile ROW segment, Eversource proposes modifications to the 115-kilovolt ("kV") 1772 Line, as well as the 345-kV 362 and 376 lines.
- Haddam Neck Switching Station to East Haddam Junction. Along this 3.4-mile ROW segment, Eversource proposes modifications to the 1772 Line and the 345-kV 364 Line.

Eversource also proposes minor modifications within Haddam Neck Switching Station, where the 362, 376, and 364 lines terminate. No modifications at East Haddam Junction will be required. Figure 1 illustrates the location of the Project.

3. Description of the Project Area

As illustrated on the aerial-based map sheets in Attachment A, the approximately 6.2-mile ROW from east of Hurd State Park to East Haddam Junction is situated on both Eversource-owned property and property subject to Eversource easements. Lands in the vicinity consist mostly of undeveloped forest, with some rural residential areas. The ROW, which was established in the early-mid 1960s, extends across various wetlands and small watercourses and spans the Salmon River, which forms the boundary between the towns of Haddam and East Haddam. Approximately 0.3 mile of the ROW is within East Hampton, while 3.5 miles and 2.4 miles traverse Haddam and East Haddam, respectively.

About 2.6 miles of the ROW is located on Eversource property (2.4 miles along the segment north of Haddam Neck Switching Station and 0.2 mile south of the station). Across private property, the ROW is generally approximately 300 to 375 feet wide. Eversource presently manages vegetation along the entire width of the ROW. All proposed structure replacements will be within the managed ROW and, as a result, no forest vegetation clearing will be required for the Project.

From east of Hurd State Park to just north of Haddam Neck Switching Station, the 1772 Line occupies the east side of the ROW, the 376 Line is positioned in the middle of the ROW, and the 362 Line is aligned along the west side of the ROW. Directly north of Haddam Neck Switching Station, the 1772 Line crosses beneath the 376 and 362 lines to the west side of the ROW and continues south outside of and to the west of the switching station.

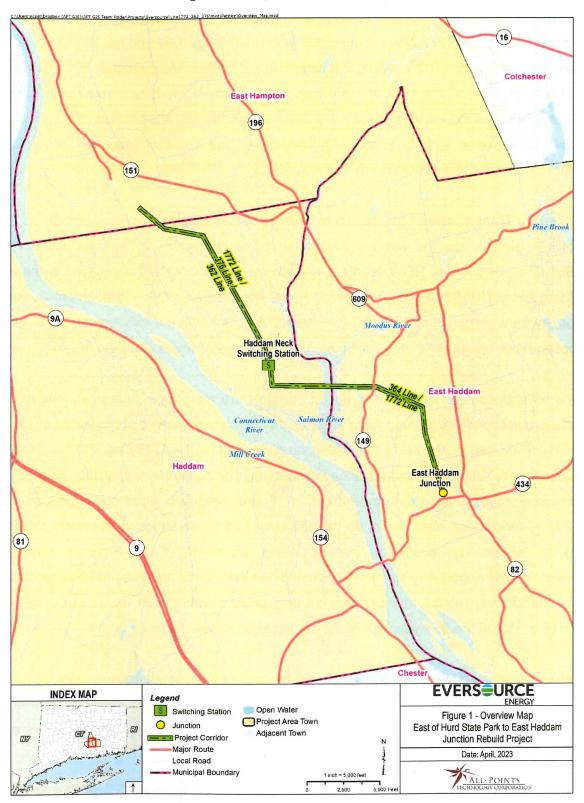


Figure 1: Project Overview Map

The 376 and 362 lines extend into and terminate at Haddam Neck Switching Station. The 364 Line extends into the station from the south and also terminates there. South of Haddam Neck Switching Station, the 1772 Line occupies the west side of the ROW and the 364 Line is aligned toward the middle of the ROW. Along this segment, the ROW is approximately 300 feet wide. At East Haddam Junction, the 1772 and 364 lines join the 345-kV 348 Line. From the junction, the 1772 and 364 lines substation, while the 364 Line and the remainder of the 348 Line extend east to Montville Substation (in the Town of Montville) and Millstone Substation (in the Town of Waterford), respectively.

4. Existing Transmission Line Facilities and Proposed Project Modifications

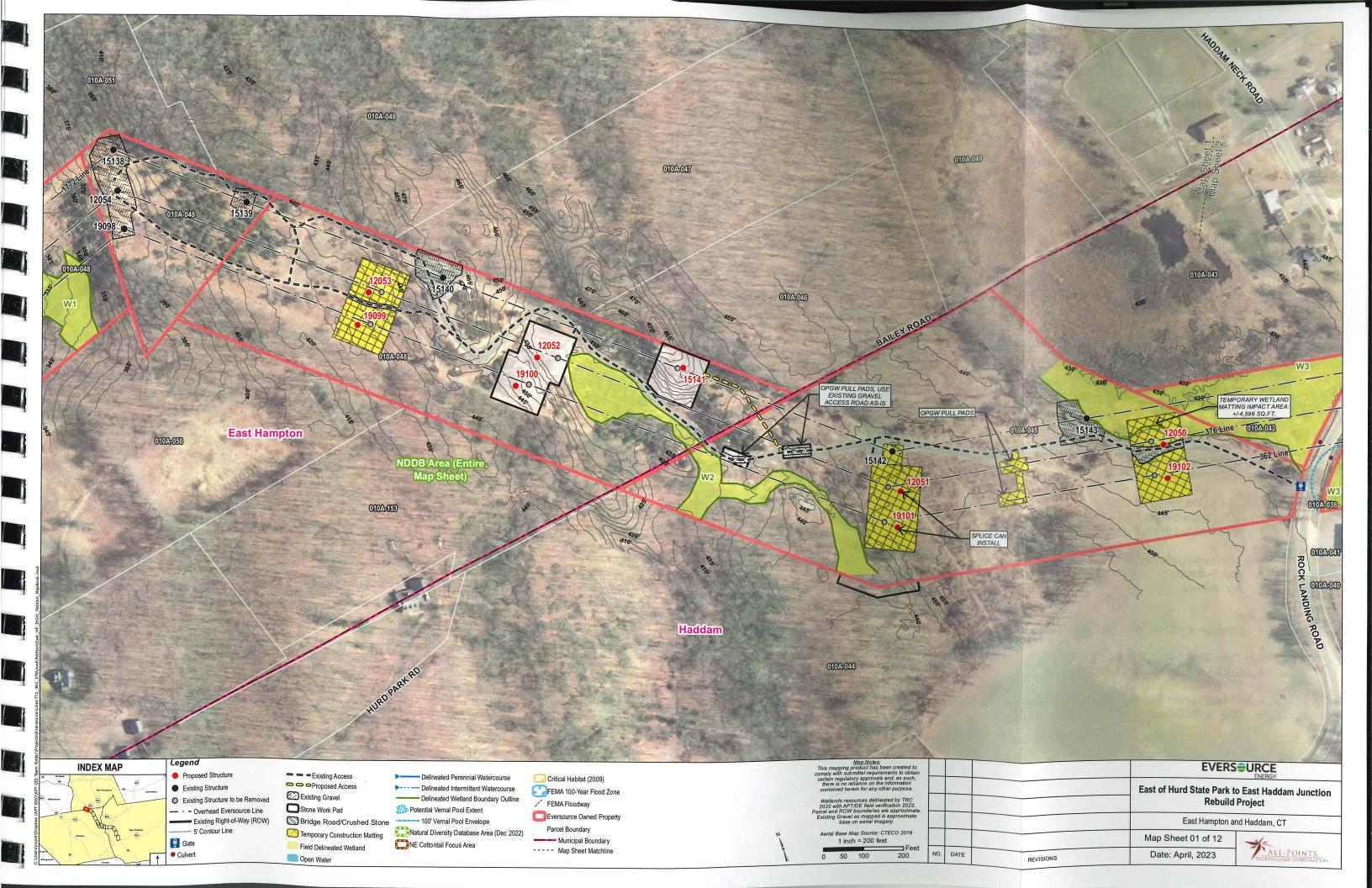
Table 4-1 summarizes the existing transmission line characteristics and proposed Project modifications, by line and ROW segment. Attachment B provides cross-sections of the ROW, depicting the existing and proposed transmission line configurations. Attachment C includes tables, by transmission line, which list the characteristics of both the existing structures and the proposed replacement structures, including reasons for replacement structure height increases.

Of the 58 structures to be replaced, 29¹ of the structure replacements are required to rectify structure asset condition issues. Attachment D provides representative photographs of structure asset condition issues. A total of 11 existing structures (six on the 1772 Line and five on the 364 Line) must be replaced to address overloading that would be caused by the addition of the OPGW. Eversource proposes to replace the remaining 18 structures (two wood pole H-frames on the 1772 Line, nine lattice steel towers on the 362 Line, and seven lattice steel towers on the 376 Line) as "opportunity" structures, thereby taking advantage of the Project's construction efficiencies. The opportunity structures include those that do not presently have asset condition issues sufficient to require replacement, but they could develop such issues in the near-term future (e.g., due to the 55+-year age of the transmission infrastructure).²

In general, compared to the existing structures, the replacement structures are taller, as required to meet current National Electrical Safety Code ("NESC") clearance requirements, as well as to meet line-specific engineering requirements to prevent issues such as uplift and insulator swing.

¹ The structures that must be replaced due to asset condition issues include nine on the 362 Line, 11 on the 376 Line, and nine on the 1772 Line.

² None of the existing lattice steel towers on the 376 and 362 lines have been replaced since they were first installed in the mid-1960s. The two opportunity structures on the 1772 Line are wood pole H-frames installed in 1966; these structures have some asset condition issues and are being replaced pro-actively.



MAP SHEET 2 OF 12 East of Hurd State Park to East Haddam Junction Rebuild Project Haddam, Connecticut

AREA DESCRIPTION

Existing Land Use & Resource Areas

- Eversource-Owned Property
- Residential
- Agriculture
- Undeveloped, Forest
- NDDB Area
- Haddam Neck Fairgrounds

RIGHT-OF-WAY DESCRIPTION

Right-of-Way Land Use & Resource Areas

- Eversource-Owned Property
- Maintained ROW
- Agriculture
- NDDB Area
- Haddam Neck Fairgrounds

Water Resources

- Wetlands W3 (PVP1) & W4
- Wetland Cover Types PSS
- Watercourses S1, S2 & S3

Wetland and Watercourse Crossings

- W3 Matted Work Pad and Proposed Structure 12049
- W4 Matted Work Pad and Proposed Structure 19106

Right-of-Way Vegetation

- Scrub-shrub
- Agricultural

Access

Structures 15144/12049/19103 to 15150/12045/19106 – Rock Landing Road

Road Crossings

Rock Landing Road

Existing Maintained Right-of-Way Width / Proposed Right-of-Way Clearing

300-Feet / 0-Feet

Line List Number	Parcel Address	City	<u>State</u>	Owner Name
010A-027	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	JEFFREY D BROOKS AND EILEEN K BROOKS
010A-028	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY
010A-029	N/A	HADDAM	СТ	NO INFORMATION PER ASSESSOR
010A-030	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	CT	LAWRENCE M FREY AND DEBRORAH J FREY
010A-031	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	LAWRENCE M FREY AND DEBORAH J FREY
010A-032	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	JEFFREY D BROOKS AND EILEEN K BROOKS
010A-032	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	CT	CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY
010A-034	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	HADDAM NECK FAIR ASSOC
010A-035	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY
010A-036	26 QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	HADDAM NECK FAIR ASSOC
010A-037	30 ROCKLANDING RD	HADDAM	CT	STEPHEN SHAKUN AND LAUREN SHAKUN
010A-038	ROCKLANDING RD	HADDAM	СТ	CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY
010A-039	24 ROCK LANDING RD	HADDAM	СТ	DORIS M FISHER ESTATE AND VANCE E FISHER FIDUCIARY
010A-040	QUARRY HILL RD	HADDAM	СТ	HADDAM NECK FAIR ASSOC AND PAUL CARLSON TREAS
010A-040	50 ROCK LANDING RD	HADDAM	СТ	TOWN OF HADDAM
010A-042	ROCK LANDING RD	HADDAM	СТ	CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY AND TAX DEPT
010A-042	15 ROCKLANDING RD	HADDAM	СТ	MICHAEL HAMLIN AND ALLISON B HAMLIN
010A-043	ROCK LANDING RD	HADDAM	СТ	TERANCE DANAHER AND LORETTA DANAHER CO TRUSTEES
010A-044	ROCKLANDING RD	HADDAM	СТ	CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY AND TAX DEPT
010A-049	HADDAM NECK RD	EAST HAMPTON	СТ	JAN E. TRUSTEE YOUNGBLOOD