



**AGENDA  
TOWN COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
August 24, 2026  
7:00 PM - Council Chambers  
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**1. ROLL CALL**

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consent Agenda**

- 1. Resolution to Approve a Revised "Self-Insurance Funding Policy" as Amended by the Town of Enfield and Board of Education**
- 2. Resolution Referring the Proposed Acquisition of 60 Long Hollow Road to the Planning and Zoning Commission**
- 3. Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for the Adoption of "School Bus Stop Arm Program and Enforcement" Ordinance**
- 4. Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager or Designee to Submit the Continuation Funding for the FY 27 Family Resource Center Grant for the Total Amount of \$122,650**
- 5. Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager, Acting Town Manager, or Designee to Sign the Documents Related to the Disbursement of Funds from the Antonio Gannuscio Trust to the Town of Enfield**

**B. Resolution to Appropriate \$511,000,000 for the New Construction of Hazardville Memorial Elementary School, Prudence Crandall Elementary School, Parkman Elementary School and Barnard Elementary School and for the Conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School, and to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds or Notes of the Town in an Amount Not to Exceed \$89,000,000, with the Balance Funded by Grants and Other Available Funds**

**C. Resolution to Submit to Referendum the Appropriation and Bonding Resolution for the Expansion and Renovation of Hazardville Memorial Elementary School, Prudence Crandall Elementary School, Parkman Elementary School and Barnard Elementary School and for the Conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School, and to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds or Notes of the Town in an Amount Not to Exceed \$89,000,000, with the Balance Funded by Grants and Other Available Funds**

**D. Resolution to Authorize Reduction of Property Maintenance Fines at 122 Windsor Street and Withdraw Foreclosure**

**E. Resolution to Submit to the Electors the Proposed Revisions to the Enfield Town Charter for Approval at a Referendum**

**F. Resolution Authorizing the Preparation and Printing of Explanatory Text of the Proposed Charter Revision for the Electors**

**G. Resolution Authorizing the Town of Enfield Acting Through its Town Council to Enter into Agreement with Gary Evans as Acting Town Manager**

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

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## TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: August 24, 2026

**Title: Resolution to Approve a Revised “Self-Insurance Funding Policy” as Amended by the Town of Enfield and Board of Education**

- Recognizing that the Town of Enfield and Board of Education are self-insured, both government entities continuously strive to improve and enhance their ability to maintain an adequate health benefits insurance fund.
- Accordingly, after various meetings with the Town Manager, School Superintendent and representatives from the Town Council and Enfield Board of Education, the attached amended Self Insurance Funding Policy comes before the Town Council for adoption.
- The proposed changes will strengthen the Town and Board of Education’s ability to maintain the health insurance reserve fund at the recommended and desired 20% threshold.
- The proposed revised language is cost neutral to both the Town and Board of Education.

**Budget Impact:** There will be no budget impact.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Town Council approves the amended Self-Insurance Funding Policy.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Enfield Town Council does hereby adopt the revised “Self-Insurance Funding Policy” between the Town of Enfield and Board of Education as attached.

Date Prepared: 8/17/2026

Prepared By: Steven Bielenda, Assistant Town Manager/Director of Human Resources



## TOWN COUNCIL & BOARD OF EDUCATION JOINT HEALTH INSURANCE COMMITTEE

### SELF-INSURANCE FUNDING POLICY

#### 1. Insurance Fund:

Enfield shall maintain a health benefits insurance fund. Medical benefits, prescription drug benefits, dental benefits, stop-loss protection, and the administrative expenses to administer the benefits will make up the benefits package that is the insurance fund. As long as the insurance fund is utilized to purchase health benefits on self-insured basis the insurance fund will be in place to purchase benefits and hold reserves for future costs.

#### 2. Insurance fund purpose:

The insurance fund shall be used to purchase health benefits, stop-loss insurance, and pay the associated administrative costs of the health benefits plan. The insurance fund will also hold the appropriate incurred but not reported claims reserves (IBNR), cover the risk corridor associated with aggregate stop-loss protection, and claims fluctuation. **Enfield will use all reasonable measures to maintain the health insurance reserve fund at 20%.**

#### 3. Use of Funds:

Funds accumulated in the insurance fund will be utilized for the purpose of providing health benefits for Enfield employees, dependents, and retirees, in accordance with collective bargaining agreements. Funds will not be utilized for any purpose other than providing health benefits to employees, their dependents, and retirees. **Furthermore, both the Town Council and Board of Education agree that the balance of the budgeted health insurance appropriation will be deposited in the health insurance fund at the end of the fiscal year, so long as the deposit does not result in a negative overall budget balance.**

#### 4. Health benefits budget:

During the budget **creation and adoption** process **for the next fiscal year**, the health benefits budgeted **increase** will be set **no more than 1%** less than the analysis and projections provided by the Town's health benefits plan administrator and health benefits consultant.

#### 5. Fund Termination:

The fund may be dissolved upon termination of the health benefits program or upon change in funding arrangement, provided the reserve account has been utilized to provide coverage for appropriate runout claims liability in such a transition. In the event the fund is dissolved; the terms of the dissolution will be mutually negotiated and agreed upon between the Town and Board of Education.

#### 6. Fund Administration:

The insurance fund will be administered by the Town's Finance Department under direction from the Town Manager and Superintendent of Schools. The Town's Joint Insurance Sub-Committee will have purview and provide acceptance of proposed budget and fund actions. Any changes or modifications to this health insurance fund policy will be made through recommendation, by majority vote, from the Joint Insurance Sub-Committee. Committee members will make a recommendation to their respective governing bodies in accordance with the vote.

***Adopted: PENDING***



## TOWN OF ENFIELD

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### **Title: Resolution Referring the Proposed Acquisition of 60 Long Hollow Road to the Planning and Zoning Commission**

- 60 Long Hollow Road has been placed on the market by the current property owners.
- The parcel is located adjacent to the State of Connecticut's Scantic River Park and is also situated near an area that may be developed for residential use in the future.
- Members of the Enfield Conservation Commission have approached the Town Manager and members of the Town Council to express their interest in having the Town acquire the property in order to preserve the land and protect it from future development.
- The property is currently listed for sale at \$475,000. Staff is working with the listing agent to negotiate and secure a purchase and sale agreement for the Town's consideration.
- There is currently approximately \$659,000 in the Open Space Fund. This Fund is set aside to acquire open space in the Town of Enfield that the Conservation Commission believes should be protected from development.

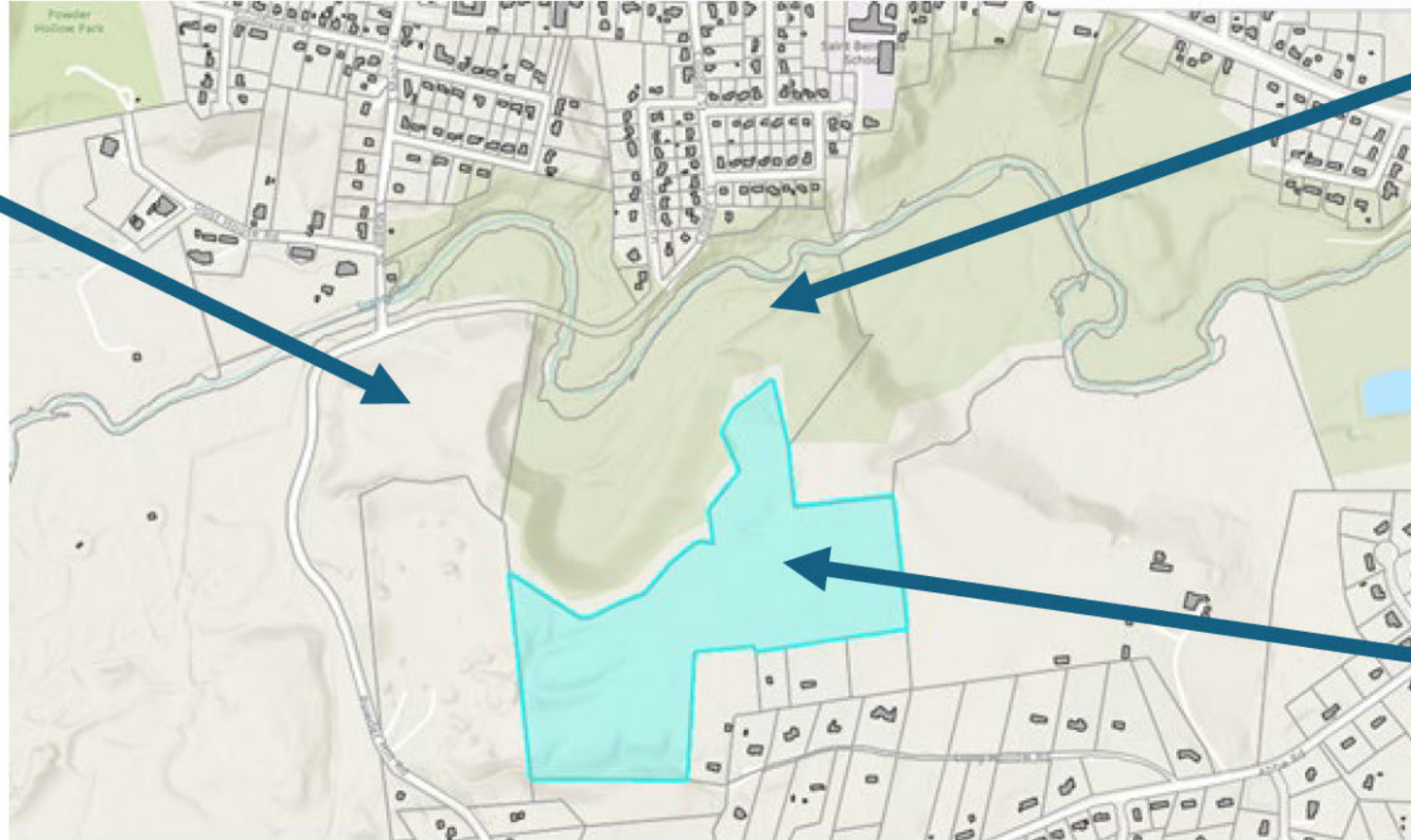
**Budget Impact:** Because sufficient funds are available in the Open Space Fund, this action will have no impact on the FY 2027 Budget.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Town Council refer to the Planning and Zoning Commission the purchase of 60 Long Hollow Road, in conformance with the requirements of Connecticut General Statutes §8-24.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the proposed Purchase of 60 Long Hollow Road is referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission in conformance with the requirements of Connecticut General Statute §8-24.

Date Prepared: 8/17/2026  
Prepared By: Town Manager's Office

Property the  
subject of  
possible  
development



Scantic River  
Park  
State owned

60 Long  
Hollow Rd  
36.77 acres



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### **Title: Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for the Adoption of "School Bus Stop Arm Program and Enforcement" Ordinance**

- On May 18<sup>th</sup> 2026, the Town Council invited a special guest speaker from "Bus Patrol" to inform them of their school bus camera and computer system to enhance child safety when entering and exiting school buses.
- In accordance with Connecticut General Statute 14-279a, the Town Council will be considering the adoption of a "School Bus Stop Arm Program and Enforcement" ordinance in an effort to reduce motor vehicle violations committed while driving past a stopped school bus.
- Pursuant to Chapter III, Section 6 of the Town Charter requires resolutions authorizing the issuance of a new ordinance.
- After listening to the speaker and in consideration of the safety of school children, the Town Council asked that this ordinance be placed on the agenda for a vote.

**Budget Impact:** This action will have no immediate budget impact.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that Town Council schedule a public hearing to post the attached draft ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Enfield Town Council does hereby schedule a Public Hearing to be held on September 9th, 2026, at 6:50 p.m. in the Enfield Town Hall Council Chambers, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, Connecticut in order to allow public comment on the proposed "School Bus Stop Arm Program and Enforcement."

Date Prepared: 8/17/2026  
Prepared By: Town Manager's Office

## **ARTICLE \_\_\_\_\_. – SCHOOL BUS STOP ARM PROGRAM AND ENFORCEMENT**

### **Section xx - 1. - ESTABLISHED.**

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statute §14-279a, the Town of Enfield hereby authorizes the use of a municipal school bus violation enforcement system, which shall include one or more camera sensors and computers that produce: (1) digital and recorded video images of motor vehicles being operated in violation of this ordinance, (2) a visual image that is viewable remotely and a recorded image of the number plate of a motor vehicle violating this ordinance, and (3) a recorded image that indicates the date, time and location of the violation.

### **Section xx - 2. VIOLATION.**

The owner of a motor vehicle commits a violation of this ordinance if the person operating such motor vehicle violates the provisions of Connecticut General Statute §14-279(a), unless an affidavit is filed pursuant to Connecticut General Statute §14-279c(j).

### **Section xx - 3. PROCEDURE.**

The procedures set forth in Connecticut General Statute §14-279c and the citation hearing procedures set forth in Connecticut General Statute §7-152c are hereby adopted.

### **Section xx - 4. FINE.**

A violation of this ordinance shall result in a fine in the amount of two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars.

### **Section xx - 5. COLLECTION.**

The Town of Enfield or its designated agent shall have the authority to collect such fines, with proceeds credited to the Town of Enfield.

### **Section xx - 6. USE OF FUNDS.**

Funds received by the Town of Enfield from such fines shall be used for the purposes of improving public safety in the Town of Enfield, compensating any private vendor that installs, operates or maintains a municipal school bus violation enforcement system, or both.

### **Section xx - 6. HEARING OFFICER(S).**

The Town Manager shall appoint one or more citation hearing officers to hear any appeals.



## TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: August 24, 2026

**Title: Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager or Designee to Submit the Continuation Funding for the FY 27 Family Resource Center Grant for the Total Amount of \$122,650**

- The State Department of Education has released the Continued Funding Application for FY 2027 for the Family Resource Center Grant. This allows for organizations/school districts that were awarded funding under the original RFP#092 (Application Package for the Renewal of a Family Resource Center Program July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025) to apply for a one-year extension of funding, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-4o, for the July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, funding term.
- This grant has been awarded since 1998 and funds the FRC located at Henry Barnard School.
- The grant and budget is available to update in the State Department of Education's eGMS system of grants management. There will be no changes in the grant application.
- The extension is due on August 24th and requires electronic approval in the eGMS system by the Agency Head (Town Manager)
- The budget is allocated in the FY2027 Town budget and is cost neutral to the Town.

**Budget Impact:** The budget is allocated in the FY2027 Town budget and is cost neutral to the Town.

**Recommendation:** That the Town of Enfield Town Council authorize the Town Manager or Designee to electronically sign and submit the continuation application for Family Resource Center Grant funds.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Manager or Designee, is authorized to electronically sign and submit the grant applications and agreements, subject to review and approval by the Town Attorney, in the name and on behalf of the Town of Enfield with the State Department of Education and to affix the Corporate Seal.

Date Prepared: 8/11/2026

Prepared By: Cynthia Guerri, Director of Social Services



## TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: August 24, 2026

**Title: Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager, Acting Town Manager, or Designee to Sign the Documents Related to the Disbursement of Funds from the Antonio Gannuscio Trust to the Town of Enfield**

- Antonio Gannuscio passed away many years ago and, in his will, one-half of his assets were distributed to his son Anthony. The remaining one-half of the assets were deposited into a testamentary trust. Bank of America is the trustee.
- Per the terms of the trust, upon the death of Anthony, one-half of the trust assets would be distributed to Anthony's wife, Ann, and the other half of the assets would be distributed to the Town as an endowment fund to be used for the benefit of the poor of the Town of Enfield.
- Anthony passed away on January 26, 2024. On July 2, 2025, the Probate Court issued a decree directing that one-half of the trust assets are to be distributed to Ann and the other half to be distributed to the Town for the above-noted endowment fund.
- Bank of America, as the trustee, has sent to the Town documents that it requires prior to the distribution to the Town, including a Receipt, Release, Refunding and Indemnification Agreement (copy attached).
- The documents also included an account statement showing that as of March 3, 2026 there was approximately \$433,000 in trust assets. As such the Town's share will be approximately \$216,500.
- While the July 2, 2025 Probate Court order directing payment to the Town does not mandate the execution of the Receipt, Release, Refunding and Indemnification Agreement, a delay in the signing of the Agreement could result in delays in the distribution of the Town's share of the Trust assets.
- The Town Attorney's Office has reviewed the Agreement.

**Budget Impact:** None

**Recommendation:** That the Town Council approve this resolution

**BE IT RESOLVED,** The Town Manager, Acting Town Manager, or designee is authorized to sign on behalf of the Town of Enfield the Receipt, Release, Refunding and Indemnification Agreement and any other documents as may be required to receive the distribution of the trust funds.

Date Prepared: 8/14/2026  
Prepared By: Office of the Town Attorney

*Trust under the Last Will and Testament of Antonio J. Gannuscio dated December 3, 1969, for the benefit of Anthony J. Gannuscio, et al. – “GANNUSCIO ANTONIO J TR U/W” – Account #: 42 01 102 8547023*

**Receipt, Release, Refunding and Indemnification Agreement**

In consideration of the distribution by Bank of America, N.A. (the “Bank”) as successor in interest to all predecessor institutions as the Trustee (the “Trustee”) of the Trust under the Last Will and Testament of Antonio J. Gannuscio dated December 3, 1969, for the benefit of Anthony J. Gannuscio, et al. – “GANNUSCIO ANTONIO J TR U/W” – Account #: 42 01 102 8547023 (the “Trust”), of all of the assets of the Trust, occasioned by the death of Anthony J. Gannuscio (the “Decedent”), each undersigned remainder beneficiary of the Trust, individually, as a remainder beneficiary of the Trust and on behalf of those beneficiaries the undersigned can represent under state law or the governing instrument, hereby:

- 1) States that the undersigned has attained the age of AGE;
- 2) States that to the best of the knowledge of the undersigned:
  - a. Carmela R. Gannuscio predeceased Anthony J. Gannuscio;
  - b. Anthony J. Gannuscio received his ½ share outright at or after the age of 35;
  - c. Anthony J. Gannuscio (deceased) was survived by his spouse, Ann T. Gannuscio;
  - d. Anthony J. Gannuscio died without issue, whether natural born, adopted or predeceased with surviving issue;
- 3) Further states and confirms that by way of Court Order (the “Court Order”) entered in the Court of Probate, North Central Connecticut (73-09276T) and dated July 2, 2025, the Court construed “Paragraph D of Article Fourth to mean that the remaining principal of the Trust shall be distributed to the Town of Enfield to establish an endowed fund for the benefit of the poor of Enfield, with the principal invested to generate income, which must be used to benefit the poor of Enfield, as is determined by the Town’s governing body;
- 4) The Town of Enfield states, warrants and confirms that it shall comply with the Court Order to use the assets received from the Trust to establish an endowed fund for the benefit of the poor of Enfield, with the principal invested to generate income, which must be used to benefit the poor of Enfield, as is determined by the Town’s governing body;
- 5) Approves receipt by the Trustee of its periodic Trustee’s commissions/fees through the date of the final distribution of the assets of the Trust;
- 6) Approves payment to the Bank of \$750 out of the assets of the Trust for the Trustee’s Settlement Fee pursuant to the Trustee’s published fee schedule;
- 7) Approves payment undistributed income as of the Decedent’s date of death (\$477.15), made on March 18, 2025 to the Estate of the Decedent;
- 8) Acknowledges that there have been made available to them transaction statements for the Trust covering the period from the date of the last judicially approved account through the current date to the extent they are available, and that the undersigned has examined such statements to the extent the undersigned deems appropriate or waives the undersigned’s right to do so, and the undersigned further accepts and approves the same and ratifies and confirms all acts of the Trustee as reflected therein;
- 9) Acknowledges receipt of the property described on the attached Asset Statement (Exhibit A) in the following proportions:
  - 50% outright to Ann T. Gannuscio; and
  - 50% outright to the Town of Enfieldexclusive of payments described above, and exclusive of any fiduciary income taxes and administration expenses that may become due and payable, the same being in the aggregate all property belonging to the Trust and belonging to each of the undersigned after making such payments (the “property”);
- 10) Releases and discharges the Trustee, as trustee and in its corporate capacity, its predecessors, successors, affiliates, and directors and employees of the Trustee or its affiliates, of and from any and all liabilities or claims whatsoever that the undersigned or any other person or entity may now have or may in the future have against the Trustee by reason of any act done or omitted to be done by the Trustee in connection with the administration of the Trust;

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- 11) Agrees to refund and pay over to the Trustee such amounts as may be requested in writing by the Trustee to reimburse the Trust for any over-distribution to the undersigned or to satisfy the undersigned's pro-rata portion of any debt of the Trust, any tax deficiency owed by the Trust to the Internal Revenue Service or to any state or other taxing authority (including all penalties and interest), any demand or claim presented by another beneficiary, creditor or other claimant of the Trust; however, the undersigned's obligation to refund and pay over shall be limited to the amount of the distribution made by the Trustee to the undersigned;
- 12) To an extent of the property distributed to the undersigned, agrees to jointly and severally indemnify and hold harmless the Trustee, as trustee, and in its corporate capacity, its predecessors, successors, affiliates, and directors and employees or its affiliates, against all claims (including taxes of every kind and character), demands, suits, actions, expenses, accountants' fees, attorneys' fees and all losses and damages of every kind and character whatsoever attributable to the Trustee in connection with the administration of the Trust and the distribution of the property;
- 13) Acknowledges that the approvals, consents, releases and ratifications presented herein are granted in accordance with state law, and acknowledges they were not induced by improper conduct of the Trustee and that the undersigned has knowledge of the material facts relating to the matters contained herein and are aware of the undersigned's rights and the rights of the beneficiaries the undersigned represents;
- 14) Understands that the provisions of this Agreement are severable, and if any part of it is found to be unenforceable, the other provisions shall remain fully valid and enforceable;
- 15) Acknowledges that the undersigned has not assigned, transferred or in any way encumbered the undersigned's right, title and interest in and to the property distributed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;
- 16) Acknowledges that (i) this Agreement is a legal document; (ii) the undersigned has been advised to have this Agreement reviewed by the undersigned's attorney(s); and (iii) the undersigned has had the Agreement reviewed by such attorney(s) or voluntarily chose to execute it without a review by such attorney(s);
- 17) Agrees that the provisions of this Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the undersigned and the undersigned's heirs, successors and assigns and the successors and assigns of the Trustee;
- 18) Agrees that if the undersigned solely delivers a signature page, the undersigned agrees that it shall be deemed that no changes were made to any non-signature pages that were not delivered; and
- 19) Agrees that this Agreement may be signed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one Agreement.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**ANN T GANNUSCIO**

**TOWN OF ENFIELD**

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN A **FULL COPY** OF THIS AGREEMENT SIGNED IN INK.



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Date: August 24, 2026

**Title: Resolution to Appropriate \$511,000,000 for the New Construction of Hazardville Memorial Elementary School, Prudence Crandall Elementary School, Parkman Elementary School and Barnard Elementary School and for the Conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School, and to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds or Notes of the Town in an Amount Not to Exceed \$89,000,000, with the Balance Funded by Grants and Other Available Funds**

- Approves the Elementary School Facilities Plan with a total project budget of \$511 million, including four new elementary schools and the conversion of Eli Whitney School into Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School.
- Limits Town borrowing to \$89 million, with the balance anticipated to be financed through state school construction grants, available fund balance, and other approved funding sources.
- Authorizes the Enfield Elementary Schools Building Committee to oversee design, construction, and implementation of the projects.
- Requires a town-wide referendum before the authorization becomes effective, ensuring voters have the final decision on the proposed plan.
- Directs the Town and Board of Education to pursue state and other grant funding and authorizes all necessary actions related to project financing, including temporary borrowing and bond issuance.
- Refers the projects to the Planning and Zoning Commission for an 8-24 review as required by Connecticut law.

**Budget Impact:** This resolution will not have an immediate budget impact to the FY 2027 Budget

**Recommendation:** If the Council wishes to authorize the elementary school and Eagle Academy projects, associated financing, grant applications, and referral to the Planning and Zoning Commission, adoption of the following resolution is required.

### **BE IT RESOLVED:**

SECTION 1. That the Town of Enfield (the "Town") appropriate \$511,000,000 for the following projects: (i) \$105,000,000 for the new construction of Hazardville Memorial Elementary School; (ii) \$114,000,000 for the new construction of Prudence Crandall Elementary School; (iii) \$109,000,000 for the new construction of Parkman Elementary School; (iv) \$122,000,000 for the new construction of Barnard Elementary School; and (v) \$61,000,000 for the conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School (the "Projects"). The appropriation may be expended for site improvements, design and construction costs, equipment, furnishings, materials, professional fees, architectural fees, engineering fees,



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and for administrative, printing, legal and financing costs, interest expense for temporary borrowings and other costs related to the Projects. The appropriation shall include any federal or state grants-in-aid received for the Projects. The Enfield Elementary Schools Building Committee is authorized to act as a school building committee for the Projects, to approve design and construction expenditures for the Projects, including the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the Projects, the filing of the notice of proposed school building Projects, and to exercise such other powers as are necessary or appropriate to complete the Projects. The Enfield Elementary Schools Building Committee may reduce the scope of the Projects if funds are insufficient to complete all of the Projects, and the entire appropriation may be spent on the reduced Projects. The Town Council may, by resolution, transfer unexpended funds among the Projects, so long as the total appropriation and bond authorization is not increased.

SECTION 2. That the Town of Enfield finance the appropriation by (i) issuing the Town's bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed \$89,000,000, (ii) using any federal, state or other grants-in-aid or other funds received for the Projects, (iii) using monies available in the unappropriated and unencumbered general fund cash balance (in accordance with the procedures in Chapter VI, Section 8(g) of the Town Charter), and (iv) using monies available from other sources as determined by resolution of the Town Council. The bonds or notes shall be issued pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, may be issued in one or more series in the amount necessary to meet the appropriation and shall mature not later than the thirtieth year after their date of issuance. The bonds or notes may be sold as a single issue or consolidated with any other authorized issues of bonds or notes of the Town. The Director of Finance shall keep a record of the bonds or notes. The bonds or notes shall be signed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the Town Manager and Director of Finance and shall bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof. The bonds or notes shall each recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been fully complied with, that such bond or 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 terms, details and particulars of such bonds or notes shall be determined by the Town Manager and Director of Finance. Said bonds or notes shall be sold by the Town Manager and Director of Finance at public sale or by negotiation in their discretion.

SECTION 3. That the Town Manager and Director of Finance are authorized to issue temporary notes in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds or notes. The notes shall be signed by the Town Manager and Director of Finance and shall bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof. The notes shall be issued with maturity dates in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended. The notes shall each recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been fully 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 such notes, to the extent paid from the proceeds from the issuance of bonds or notes, shall be included as a cost of the Projects.

SECTION 4. That the Town hereby declares its official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that costs of the Projects may be paid from temporary advances of available funds and that the Town reasonably expects



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to reimburse any such advances from the proceeds of borrowings in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the amount of borrowing authorized for the Projects; that the Town Manager and Director of Finance are authorized to bind the Town pursuant to such representations and agreements as they deem necessary or advisable in order to ensure and maintain the continued exemption from Federal income taxation of interest on the bonds, notes or temporary notes authorized by this resolution, if issued on a tax-exempt basis, including covenants to pay rebates of investment earnings to the United States in future years; and that the Town Manager and Director of Finance are authorized to make representations and agreements for the benefit of the holders of the bonds, notes or temporary notes to provide secondary market disclosure information and to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town an agreement to provide such information with such terms and conditions as they, with the advice of bond counsel, deem necessary and appropriate.

SECTION 5. That the Board of Education will apply to the Commissioner of Education for a State of Connecticut School Construction Grant for the Projects and that the Town Manager is authorized to apply for any other federal, state or other grants-in-aid for the Projects and to accept or reject such grants on behalf of the Town. The Town Council, Town Manager, Director of Finance and other Town officials and employees are authorized to take all actions necessary and proper to carry out the Projects and to issue the bonds, notes or temporary notes to finance a portion of the appropriation.

SECTION 6. That the Town Council hereby refers the Projects to the Town of Enfield Planning and Zoning Commission for a report under Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

SECTION 7. That this resolution shall take effect upon publication of its passage by the Town Council in a newspaper having a circulation in the Town, in the manner provided in the Town Charter, and when the same shall have been approved by a majority of those voting thereon at a referendum called and warned for such purpose. The date of such referendum shall be determined by resolution of the Town Council. In the event that this resolution shall not be approved at such referendum, it shall be null and void and of no effect.

Date Prepared: 8/14/2026  
Prepared By: Town Manager's Office



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**Title: Resolution to Submit to Referendum the Appropriation and Bonding Resolution for the Expansion and Renovation of Hazardville Memorial Elementary School, Prudence Crandall Elementary School, Parkman Elementary School and Barnard Elementary School and for the Conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School, and to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds or Notes of the Town in an Amount Not to Exceed \$89,000,000, with the Balance Funded by Grants and Other Available Funds**

- Schedules a Town-wide referendum for November 3, 2026, to coincide with the municipal election, for voter consideration of the Elementary School Facilities Plan.
- Places a single referendum question before voters seeking approval of a \$511 million appropriation for elementary school expansion, renovation, and redevelopment projects.
- Includes funding for Hazardville Memorial, Prudence Crandall, Parkman, and Barnard Elementary Schools, as well as the conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School.
- Authorizes Town borrowing of up to \$89 million through bonds or notes, with the remaining project costs to be funded through grants and other available funding sources.
- Establishes voting procedures for the referendum, including use of regular polling locations for electors, voting at Town Hall for qualified non-electors, and the availability of absentee ballots through the Town Clerk's Office.
- Authorizes the Town Clerk and Town Manager to prepare and distribute the referendum's explanatory text and informational materials in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes.

**Budget Impact:** This resolution will not have an immediate budget impact to the FY 2027 Budget

**Recommendation:** If Council wishes to place the appropriation and bonding for the elementary school modernization plan on the November 2026 ballot, approval of the attached resolution is recommended.

### BE IT RESOLVED:

SECTION 1. That the following appropriation and bonding resolution approved by the Town Council heretofore at this meeting shall be submitted to a referendum vote on the voting



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tabulators or paper ballots by Town electors and qualified voters for approval or disapproval in conjunction with the election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. (Eastern Time):

Resolution to appropriate \$511,000,000 for costs related to the expansion and renovation of the Town's elementary schools as follows: (i) \$105,000,000 for Hazardville Memorial Elementary School; (ii) \$114,000,000 for Prudence Crandall Elementary School; \$109,000,000 for Parkman Elementary School; (iv) \$122,000,000 for Barnard Elementary School; and (v) \$61,000,000 for the conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School; and to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$89,000,000, with the balance funded by grants and other available funds.

SECTION 2. That the polling places used by the Town for the election shall be utilized by Town electors for purposes of the referendum vote on the voting tabulators or paper ballots. Voters qualified to vote who are not electors shall vote at the Enfield Town Hall in accordance with the procedures contained in Section 9-369d of the Connecticut General Statutes, which procedures the Town hereby chooses to apply. Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's Office.

SECTION 3. That the appropriation and bonding resolution approved above shall be placed upon the voting tabulators or paper ballots under the following heading:

### QUESTION 1

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"SHALL THE TOWN OF ENFIELD APPROPRIATE \$511,000,000 FOR THE EXPANSION AND RENOVATION OF HAZARDVILLE MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PRUDENCE CRANDALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PARKMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND BARNARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND FOR THE CONVERSION OF ELI WHITNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INTO THE EAGLE ACADEMY THERAPEUTIC DAY SCHOOL, AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$89,000,000, WITH THE BALANCE FUNDED BY GRANTS AND OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS?"

YES NO

SECTION 4. That the Warning of the referendum vote shall state that the full text of the resolution adopted by the Town Council heretofore at this meeting is on file and open to public inspection in the Town Clerk's Office.

SECTION 5. That the Town Clerk is authorized to prepare a concise, explanatory text of the



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following appropriation and bonding resolution which, by vote of the Town Council, has been submitted to a referendum vote on the voting tabulators or paper ballots of the Town, and the Town Manager is authorized to prepare additional explanatory materials regarding said resolution, such text and explanatory materials to be prepared in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 9-369b:

Resolution to appropriate \$511,000,000 for costs related to the expansion and renovation of the Town's elementary schools as follows: (i) \$105,000,000 for Hazardville Memorial Elementary School; (ii) \$114,000,000 for Prudence Crandall Elementary School; \$109,000,000 for Parkman Elementary School; (iv) \$122,000,000 for Barnard Elementary School; and (v) \$61,000,000 for the conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School; and to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$89,000,000, with the balance funded by grants and other available funds

### WARNING

### REFERENDUM

NOVEMBER 3, 2026

The electors and persons qualified to vote in the Town of Enfield are hereby warned that a referendum vote will be held in conjunction with the elections on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). The polling places used by the Town for the election shall be utilized by Town electors for purposes of the referendum vote. Voters qualified to vote who are not electors shall vote at the Enfield Town Hall. The referendum vote shall be on an appropriation and bonding resolution approved by the Town Council on August 17, 2026, which resolution shall be placed upon the voting tabulators or paper ballots under the following heading:

### QUESTION 1.

"SHALL THE TOWN OF ENFIELD APPROPRIATE \$511,000,000 FOR THE EXPANSION AND RENOVATION OF HAZARDVILLE MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PRUDENCE CRANDALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PARKMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND BARNARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND FOR THE



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CONVERSION OF ELI WHITNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INTO THE EAGLE ACADEMY THERAPEUTIC DAY SCHOOL, AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$89,000,000, WITH THE BALANCE FUNDED BY GRANTS AND OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS?"

YES NO

The full text of the Town Council resolution is on file and available for public inspection at the Town Clerk's Office. Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's Office.

Dated at Enfield, Connecticut this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Sheila M. Bailey, Town Clerk

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#### EXPLANATORY TEXT – NOVEMBER 3, 2026 REFERENDUM VOTE

"SHALL THE TOWN OF ENFIELD APPROPRIATE \$511,000,000 FOR THE EXPANSION AND RENOVATION OF HAZARDVILLE MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PRUDENCE CRANDALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PARKMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND BARNARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND FOR THE CONVERSION OF ELI WHITNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INTO THE EAGLE ACADEMY THERAPEUTIC DAY SCHOOL, AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$89,000,000, WITH THE BALANCE FUNDED BY GRANTS AND OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS?"

YES NO

A resolution adopted by the Enfield Town Council at a meeting held on August 17, 2026 shall be submitted to a referendum vote on the voting tabulators or paper ballots by Town electors and qualified voters for approval or disapproval in conjunction with the election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).



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If approved, the resolution presented under the ballot heading above will appropriate \$511,000,000 for costs related to the expansion and renovation of the Town's elementary schools as follows: (i) \$105,000,000 for Hazardville Memorial Elementary School; (ii) \$114,000,000 for Prudence Crandall Elementary School; \$109,000,000 for Parkman Elementary School; (iv) \$122,000,000 for Barnard Elementary School; and (v) \$61,000,000 for the conversion of Eli Whitney Elementary School into the Eagle Academy Therapeutic Day School (the "Projects"). The Town estimates that it will receive a reimbursement rate of approximately 83% from the State of Connecticut, leaving the Town's total share of the Projects at approximately \$89,000,000. The resolution provides that the Town will finance the \$511,000,000 appropriation by (i) issuing the Town's bonds or notes in an amount not to exceed \$89,000,000, (ii) using any federal, state or other grants-in-aid or other funds received for the Projects, (iii) using monies available in the unappropriated and unencumbered general fund cash balance (in accordance with the procedures in Chapter VI, Section 8(g) of the Town Charter), and (iv) using monies available from other sources as determined by resolution of the Town Council.

The full text of the Town Council resolution is on file and available for public inspection at the Town Clerk's Office.

The polling places used by the Town for the election shall be utilized by Town electors for purposes of the referendum vote. Voters qualified to vote who are not electors shall vote at the Enfield Town Hall. Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's Office.

Date Prepared: 8/14/2026  
Prepared By: Town Manager's Office



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION**  
55 Farmington Ave Hartford, Connecticut 06105

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## **Prohibition on Expenditure of Public Funds Relating to Referenda**

### **1. *Spending Public Funds To Inform Citizens Regarding Referenda***

Historically, an “explanatory text” has been the exclusive method by which a municipality or regional school district could expend public funds for printing and distribution of an explanation of the subject matter of a referendum.

Connecticut General Statutes § 9-369b(a) sets forth the following conditions for such explanatory texts:

- (a) a vote of the municipality’s legislative body is needed to authorize it;
- (b) the municipal clerk must prepare the text and the municipal attorney must approve it;
- (c) it must specify the intent and purpose of each referendum; and
- (d) cannot advocate either the approval or the disapproval of the referendum.

Materials in addition to the explanatory text may now be prepared and printed with public funds if they (1) do not advocate either the approval or disapproval of the referendum; (2) are authorized by vote of the local legislative body; and (3) are approved by the municipal attorney.

In a municipality that has a town meeting as its legislative body, the board of selectmen by majority vote can authorize the issuance of an explanatory text or other neutral printed matter. Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 9-369b(b), for a referendum called for by a regional school district, the regional board of education shall authorize and approve the explanatory text, which shall be prepared by the regional school board’s secretary, and approved by the regional board of education counsel.

### **2. *Expenditure of Public Funds For Advocacy Prohibited***

With two exceptions discussed below, no expenditure of state, municipal or regional school district funds can be made to influence any person to vote for approval or disapproval of any referendum question. The ban applies when a referendum is pending.

### **3. *When is a Referendum Question Pending?***

A referendum question is pending when the necessary legal conditions have been satisfied to require the publication of the warning (notice) of the referendum. For example, a referendum is pending when a sufficient number of signatures have been certified by the Town Clerk under § 7-7, Connecticut General Statutes, or when the selectmen (or other authorized government official) have determined that a referendum will be conducted.

**4. *Pro-Con Summaries***

By ordinance, a municipality may provide for the preparation and printing of concise summaries of arguments in favor of and opposed to a referendum for which an explanatory text is prepared under § 9-369b(a) or (b). The ordinance must provide for a committee to prepare these summaries. See § 9-369b(d), Connecticut General Statutes for other conditions which must be satisfied.

**5. *Press Releases and Constituent Responses Permitted***

The other exception is that an official can express his/her views on a pending referendum at a bona fide news conference, and may use public funds, facilities, and supplies to prepare a press release to be disseminated at the conference. Also, an official may use public funds, facilities and supplies to respond to a constituent request for information concerning the referendum, including the official's views. The exception is lost however, if the official responds to the citizen's request with the knowledge that the response will be disseminated to others in the community.

**6. *Children in School as Couriers***

Children in school may not be used as couriers of information that advocates a position on a referendum. A notice limited to the time, place and question to be voted upon may be sent home to parents via children in school.

**7. *Use of School Teachers, Administrators, Facilities, Supplies, and Equipment Prohibited***

The prohibition on state or municipal funds also applies to the use of school facilities, supplies, and equipment and postal permits to advocate a position on a referendum. For example, parent teacher organizations and school administrators may not use school equipment to prepare or copy advocacy material even if the town, regional district or school system is reimbursed for such use. This prohibition also extends to the use of a school's public address system to advocate a result of a referendum.

**8. *Use of School Facilities by Outside Political Committees and Organizations For Meetings or Rallies***

School facilities may not be used by political committees or other groups for the purpose of advocating a position on a referendum unless such facilities are accessible to all such committees or groups on a non discriminatory basis. A charge can be made for the use of school facilities for this purpose and all groups or committees must be charged the same.

**9. *What Constitutes Advocacy?***

A communication advocates a position on a referendum when in part, or taken as a whole, it urges the listener or reader to vote in a particular manner. The style, tenor and timing of a communication are factors which are considered by the Commission when reviewing alleged improprieties of § 9-369b.

**10. *Civil Penalties For Violations***

The State Elections Enforcement Commission may impose a civil penalty against any person who violates § 9-369b, in an amount not exceeding twice the amount of the improper expenditure or \$1,000, whichever is greater. The official is personally liable for the penalty and cannot be reimbursed or indemnified by the state, regional school district or municipality for payment of a civil penalty.

**11. *Political Committees to Promote Referenda***

Under Chapter 155 of the General Statutes, public officials and citizens alike may join together to advocate their views on a referendum by registering a political committee with the clerk of the municipality in which the referendum is to be held. Upon its registration, the political committee is permitted to solicit, receive and expend private funds to promote the success or defeat to a referendum question. If less than \$1,000 is expected to be collected or spent, a group may file a certification of exemption in lieu of a political committee registration form.

**12. *Independent Personal Expenditures***

Any citizen or public official may independently (acting alone) make expenditures of his/her own funds to promote the success or defeat of a referendum question without forming a political committee in conformance with Chapter 155, Connecticut General Statutes. However, once such individual spends more than \$1,000 to promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, he or she must file statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as is required of a campaign treasurer of a political committee under § 9-608.

The information contained herein is not exhaustive. If you have any questions concerning the enforcement of § 9-369b, please contact the State Elections Enforcement Commission, 20 Trinity Street, Suite 101, Hartford, CT 06106-1628. (860-256-2940). You may also wish to consult the Commission's publication [A Guide to Financing Referendum Questions](#) or our website [www.ct.gov/seec](http://www.ct.gov/seec).



## TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: August 24, 2026

### **Title: Resolution to Authorize Reduction of Property Maintenance Fines at 122 Windsor Street and Withdraw Foreclosure**

- On February 6, 2025, the Town Council approved the foreclosure of 122 Windsor Street due to the accrual of \$66,699 in property maintenance fines pertaining to trash on the property.
- Since then, the property owner has executed a purchase and sale agreement with a buyer who has personally brought the property back into compliance over the past month by replacing missing siding, cutting all overgrowth across the property, removed all trash and junk, and removed a damaged fence along the backyard.
- At their August 6, 2026 meeting, the Blight Review Committee made a recommendation to reduce the fines to \$1,000, that must be paid at closing which must take place on or before October 1, 2026. If completed, the property maintenance lien will be released and the foreclosure withdrawn.

**Budget Impact:** There is no budget impact.

**Recommendation:** The Town Council approve this resolution if they desire to reduce the property maintenance fines at 122 Windsor Street, release the property maintenance liens, and withdraw the foreclosure.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Enfield Town Council does hereby authorize the reduction of property maintenance fines associated with the property maintenance lien recorded September 24, 2021 at Volume 2814, Page 629 for the property at 122 Windsor Street to \$1,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the reduced fines must be paid at closing, which must take place on or before October 1, 2026.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, if the reduced fines are paid at closing, the property maintenance lien will be released and the foreclosure action authorized on February 6, 2025 will not be pursued.

Date Prepared: 8/6/2026  
Prepared By: Office of Economic & Community Development



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## TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: August 24, 2026

**Title: Resolution to Submit to the Electors the Proposed Revisions to the Enfield Town Charter for Approval at a Referendum**

**Budget Impact:** There will be no budget impact.

**Recommendation:** The Town Council approve the following resolution.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, in accordance with Connecticut General Statute §7-191 that revisions to the Enfield Town Charter (Charter), as proposed by the Charter Revision Commission and approved by the Enfield Town Council at their special meeting of June 23, 2026, be submitted to the electors for approval at a referendum in conjunction with the regular State Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if the proposed revisions to the Charter are approved by referendum vote at said election, the effective date of the revised Charter shall be December 4, 2026, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, in accordance with Connecticut General Statute §7-191(f), that the Council hereby submits the following wording for the ballot in the form of one question:

*"Shall the Enfield Town Charter be revised as proposed by the Charter Revision Commission and as approved by the Enfield Town Council by Resolution #7549 at its special meeting of June 23, 2026?"*

Date Prepared: 8/11/2026  
Prepared By: Sheila M. Bailey, Town Clerk



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## TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: August 24, 2026

**Title: Resolution Authorizing the Preparation and Printing of Explanatory Text of the Proposed Charter Revision for the Electors**

**Budget Impact:** There will be no budget impact.

**Recommendation:** That the Enfield Town Council approve the Resolution.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, in order to allow the electors of the Town of Enfield to be better informed about the proposed revisions of the Enfield Town Charter that will be voted on at the November 3, 2026 State Election, and pursuant to Connecticut General Statute §9-369b(a), the Enfield Town Council does hereby authorize the preparation and printing of concise explanatory text to be prepared by the Town Clerk, subject to the approval of the Town Attorney, for public distribution.

Date Prepared: 8/11/2026  
Prepared By: Sheila M. Bailey, Town Clerk



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## TOWN OF ENFIELD

Date: August 24, 2026

**Title: Resolution Authorizing the Town of Enfield Acting Through its Town Council to Enter into Agreement with Gary Evans as Acting Town Manager**

**RESOLVED**, that Gina Cekala, Mayor of the Town of Enfield, acting on behalf of the Enfield Town Council, is authorized to enter into and amend contractual instruments in the name and on behalf of the Town of Enfield with Gary Evans as Acting Town Manager, pursuant to the Enfield Town Charter, Chapter IV, §2, subject to the review and approval of the Enfield Town Attorney.

Date Prepared: 8/17/2026  
Prepared By: Town Manager's Office