

Cost to Taxpayer

The projected cost is \$10.5 million to be financed by issuing Town general obligation bonds with an expected twenty (20) year term.

Based on the October 2017 Grand List and a three and a half percent (3.5%) interest rate on the bonds, this Community/Senior Center Project would increase the mill rate by .4 mills over the life of the bonds.

Homeowners Impact:

House Assessment at \$250,000.

Increase in Taxes = \$107 a Year

(\$9.00 a Month)

This explanatory text is intended to provide a general overview of the questions presented for voter approval on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

A copy of the resolution approved by Town Council is available for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, 761 Old Main Street, during normal business hours. Three posters of the explanatory text will be available at each voting location.

A copy of the conceptual plans for the proposed Community/Senior Center building renovations, prepared by Silver/Petrucci & Associates Architects, is available for inspection at the offices of the Town Manager, 761 Old Main Street, during normal business hours. This explanatory text was approved for printing and town wide distribution by the Rocky Hill Town Council.

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PROPOSED REFERENDUM EXPLANATORY TEXT

TOWN OF ROCKY HILL

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**REFERENDUM
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

VOTE QUESTION NO. 3

“SHALL THE \$10.5 MILLION APPROPRIATION AND GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ISSUANCE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A TOWN OF ROCKY HILL COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER, AS EITHER AN ADDITION TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER OR AT SUCH OTHER LOCATION AS DETERMINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL, AS ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL ON AUGUST 20, 2018, BE APPROVED?”

Background

On August 21, 2017, Dr. Manoj Pardasani, Senior Center Consultant, presented to the Town Council his Senior Center Survey Report. Silver/Petrucci & Associates Architects was selected in response to a Request for Qualifications for architectural and design services for the Community Center to prepare conceptual plans of the proposed project.

The Town Council held a public hearing on August 20, 2018 in order to solicit public comment to the conceptual plans and the resolution.

The Town Council voted to present the project described herein at public referendum to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Project Scope

The project is generally described as building a 9,650 square foot addition to the existing Town Hall with a dedicated entry to the Community/Senior Center, add a café, add activity and multi-use meeting rooms, and add administrative space for Human Services. Improve the parking around Community /Senior Center entry, include accessible drop-off/pick-up and “ample” accessible parking.

Within the existing exterior walls of the current Town Hall, renovate specific spaces. Retain existing Gymnasium, retain and expand all activities and arts & crafts rooms, rebuild the kitchen, re-purpose the stage as a game room,

and relocate the Pre-K program to the exterior wall adjacent the playground.

Build additional parking near the Library, Police Department & Kennedy house buildings and create/complete a ½ mile sidewalk loop around entire campus.

Conceptual Plans

Conceptual floor plans for the proposed renovations and additions are depicted below. The concept plans are subject to revision, including relocation and redesign, through the final design and approval process. The Town Council will make the final decisions regarding location and design of the project.

