Pursuant to the foregoing notice a regular Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich was held via Zoom Webinar on Monday, April 20, 2020 at 8:00 P.M. (E.D.T.)

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator Thomas J. Byrne.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

The Town Clerk, Carmella C. Budkins swore in the following members in District 1 – Dean C. Goss; District 4 – Javier A. Aleman, John J. Thompson, Donald Vitti; District 6 – Arline Lomazzo; District 7 – Mike Warner; District 9 – Seth W. Bacon; District 11 – Thomas M. West.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the Call for the meeting, the reading of the Call would be omitted.

Attendance cards were presented showing 228 present, 2 absent and no vacancies. District 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 11 had perfect attendance. Those absent in District 9- Lillian S. “Sharon” Shisler; District 12 – Aaron J. Leonard.

The Moderator announced that as all members had received a copy of the minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting, the reading of the minutes would be omitted. He noted a correction to the swearing in paragraph that there was an “l” after Jane Weisbecker’s name instead of a “’” and that Item No 1 was postponed due to pursuant Representative Town Meeting Rules section III.I.6 “Second Reading”. He asked if there were any additional corrections or comments. There being none, the amended minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

The Moderator announced that Item No. 2 on the Call had not been acted on by the Board of Estimate and Taxation therefore the RTM could not vote on the item.

2. RESOLVED, that the sum of $1.2 Million be and the same is hereby appropriated from “GENERAL OPERATING FUND” to the following accounts: A6201753 and A6501789, A6401798 for costs associated with the Special Education out of district tuition and maintenance of plants and rental of equipment.

- A6201753 52080 $1,120,000
- A6501789 52320 $ 40,000
- A6401798 51100 $ 40,000

Edward D. Dadakis, Member of District 1, made a motion to limit debate to two (2) minutes per speaker, which was duly moved and seconded.

Upon a Raised Hand, Motion Carried
Steven P. Rubin, Member of District 3, made a motion to adjourn at midnight and reconvene at 8:00 p.m. on April 21, 2020 if business was not concluded by midnight.

Upon a Raised Hand, Motion Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 5 on the Call was now before the meeting.

Francis J. “Kip” Burgweger, Jr., Chairman of Legislative & Rules Committee, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No. 5.

5. **RESOLVED, the Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich, hereby amends the RULES OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING by adding the following Paragraph 5 to SECTION III. ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES, PART I. PROCEDURE AT MEETINGS and renumbering the following Subparagraphs 5 and 6 to 6 and 7:**

5. **Time Limit For Submitting Vote In Remote RTM Meeting**

When the RTM is required to meet remotely, one member of each district shall serve as the "tabulator" of the votes of each district. Members shall have a period of 5 minutes measured from the time the Moderator calls for a record vote to get their vote to the district tabulator. The tabulator shall mark the district voting card accordingly, and forward it to the Assistant Town Clerk for counting. After the 5 minute period has expired, the tabulator shall close the voting for the district and forward the district voting card to the Assistant Town Clerk even if all of the votes of members present have not been received.

The vote was now on the Item No. 5.

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Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 3 on the Call was now before the meeting.

Aamina Ahmad, Assistant Town Attorney, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No. 3 which was duly moved and seconded.
3. RESOLUTION OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GREENWICH PERTAINING TO A MODIFIED CALENDAR FOR THE FY 2020-2021 OPERATING AND CAPITAL FUND BUDGETS AS AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-7B, 7C AND 7I

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Connecticut ("Governor") declared a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency for the State of Connecticut, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 19a-131 and 28-9, in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19, a disease that is currently affecting multiple countries and states; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States ("President") declared a national emergency to combat the coronavirus that is currently infecting the population of the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the First Selectman of the Town of Greenwich declared a local civil preparedness emergency in the Town of Greenwich in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

WHEREAS, in response to the issuance of declarations of a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency, the Governor has issued a series of Executive Orders setting forth the law governing the conduct of the business of state and municipal government during the period of the emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 7B ("EO 7B"), paragraph 1 of which suspends all statutes, charter provisions, ordinances and regulations mandating in-person open meetings in order "... to permit any public agency to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting or requiring in-person, public access to such meetings, and to hold such meetings or proceedings remotely by conference call, videoconference or other technology" ("Remote Meetings"); and

WHEREAS, EO 7B sets forth the following requirements for Remote Meetings:

   the public has the ability to view or listen to each meeting or proceeding in real time, by telephone, video, or other technology;
any such meeting or proceeding is recorded or transcribed, and such recording or transcript shall be posted on the agency's website within seven (7) days of the meeting or proceeding, and made available within a reasonable time in the agency’s office;

the required notice and agenda for each meeting or proceeding is posted on the agency’s website and shall include information about how the meeting will be conducted and how the public can access it;

any materials relevant to matters on the agenda, including but not limited to materials related to specific applications, if applicable, shall be submitted to the agency a minimum of twenty four (24) hours prior and posted to the agency's website for public inspection prior to, during, and after the meeting, and any exhibits to be submitted by members of the public shall, to the extent feasible, also be submitted to the agency a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting and posted to the agency's website for public inspection prior to, during, and after the meeting; and

all speakers taking part in any such meeting or proceeding shall clearly state their name and title, if applicable, before speaking on each occasion that they speak; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020 the Governor issued Executive Order No. 7C, ("EO 7C") paragraph 5 of which extended “all budget deadlines for the preparation of the municipal budget” for the FY 2020-2021 “that falls on any date prior to and including May 15, 2020 are extended by thirty (30) days”; and

WHEREAS, EO 7C permits the legislative body to “alter or modify the schedules and deadlines pertaining to the preparation and submission of a proposed budget and the deliberation or actions on said budget” by the legislative body including any required public hearing(s), publication, referendum or final budget adoption; and

WHEREAS, EO 7C postpones all submission dates as set forth in Article 2 of the Charter of the Town of Greenwich until such time as the legislative body approves a modified schedule and deadline consistent with the thirty (30) day extension granted in EO 7C; and

WHEREAS, the legislative body of the Town of Greenwich is the Representative Town Meeting; and
WHEREAS, on March 21, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 7I, ("EO 7I") paragraph 13 of which dispenses with any in-person voting requirements for purposes of adopting 2020-2021 fiscal year municipal budgets and setting the mill rate and confers final responsibility on the budget-making authority of a municipality to adopt a budget and set a mill rate, which roles are allocated by the Charter of the Town of Greenwich to the Board of Estimate and Taxation and the Representative Town Meeting; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED pursuant to paragraph 5 of Executive Order 7C, the Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich, as the legislative body of the Town of Greenwich, hereby sets forth the following modified schedule and deadlines for the submission, deliberation and final action on the Town Budget for FY 2020-2021, which meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements noticed in accordance with EO 7B ¶1 and EO 7I ¶13:

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<td><strong>Remote Budget Workshop Meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation</strong> for the purpose of on-going budget deliberations with department heads and other Town officials.</td>
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<td>April 27, 2020</td>
<td><strong>Remote Decision Meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Board of Estimate and Taxation To File the Proposed Budget with the Town Clerk</strong></td>
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<td>Not later than June 14, 2020¹</td>
<td><strong>Remote Meeting of the Representative Town Meeting for action upon the Proposed Budget</strong></td>
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED pursuant to EO 7B ¶1 and EO 7I ¶13, the Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich shall comply with all requirements pertaining to notice including, but not limited to taking all reasonable steps to publicize the proposed Town Budget including publishing the draft budget on the Town website.
In lieu of the May 15, 2020 date mandated by Section 23 of the Charter of the Town of Greenwich
The vote was now on Item No. 3.

In Favor - 225
Against - 0
Abstentions - 0

Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 4 on the Call was now before the meeting.

Aamina Ahmad, Assistant Town Attorney, offered the following substitute resolution, regarding Item No. 4 which was duly moved and seconded.

4. **RESOLUTION OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GREENWICH PERTAINING TO PARTICIPATION IN THE DEFERMENT PROGRAM AS AUTHORIZED BY EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-7S AND 7W**

**WHEREAS**, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Connecticut (“Governor”) declared a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency for the State of Connecticut, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 19a-131 and 28-9, in response to the global pandemic of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a disease that is currently affecting multiple countries and is throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States (President) declared a national emergency to combat COVID-19 in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the First Selectman of the Town of Greenwich declared a local civil preparedness emergency in the Town of Greenwich in response to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the issuance of declarations of a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency, the Governor has issued a series of Executive Orders setting forth the law governing the conduct of the business of the state and municipal governments during the period of the emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 1, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 7S (EO 7S), paragraph 6, which requires a municipality to participate in one or both of two programs, known as the "Deferment Program" and the "Low Interest Rate Program," as such programs are defined in Executive Order No. 7S, to offer support to
eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents who have been economically affected by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to EO 7S, the Deferment Program would offer eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents a deferment by ninety (90) days of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric rates, charges or assessments for such tax, rate, charge, or assessment from the time that it became due and payable; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to EO 7S, the Low Interest Rate Program, notwithstanding Section 12-146 of the General Statutes, would reduce the per annum interest charged to taxpayers who are delinquent on any portion of the principal of any taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric charges or assessments or part thereof and subject them to an interest at the rate of three (3) per cent per annum for ninety days from the time it became due and payable until the same is paid, for any such tax, rate, charge, or assessment due and payable from March 10 through and including July 1, 2020, unless such delinquent portion is subject to interest and penalties at less than three (3) per cent per annum; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 7W (EO 7W), clarifying the time periods noted in EO 7S by stating that because interest on past due taxes and water, sewer, or electric charges are calculated by the month, not by the day, and principal is typically due on the first of the month, not the tenth, the ninety (90) day periods referred to in EO 7S, Section 6 are amended to three (3) months, and the references to due dates and delinquency dates on or prior to March 10 are amended to April 1.

WHEREAS, to become effective, EO 7S, as amended by EO 7W, requires the legislative body of a municipality to adopt the Deferment Program, the Low Interest Rate Program or both;

WHEREAS, the legislative body of the Town of Greenwich is the Representative Town Meeting; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED pursuant to paragraph 6 of Executive Order 7S issued on April 1, 2020, as amended by paragraph 1(b) of Executive Order 7W issued on April 9, 2020, the Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich, as the legislative body of the Town of Greenwich (Town), hereby authorizes the Town to participate in the Deferment Program and authorizes the First Selectman to notify the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management no later than April 25, 2020 of the Town’s participation in the Deferment Program. Participation in the Deferment Program pursuant to Executive Orders 7S and 7W is subject to the following:

1. Eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits, and residents shall be offered a deferment three (3) months of any taxes on real property, personal property
or motor vehicles, or municipal water, sewer and electric rates, charges or assessments for such tax, rate, charge or assessments from the time that it became due and payable.

2. Eligible taxpayers, businesses, nonprofits and residents shall be those that attest to or document significant economic impact by COVID-19 and/or those that document they are providing relief to those significantly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

3. Eligible resident taxpayers shall be those that attest to or document that their household has suffered a reduction in income of at least 20% due to COVID-19 since March 10, 2020 because they have either (1) been furloughed without pay; (2) had their work hours significantly reduced; or (3) have become unemployed. Proof of residency shall be required.

4. Eligible business/non-profit shall be those entities that attest to or document a significant economic impact due to COVID-19 such that revenue is expected to decrease at least 30% in the March to June 2020 period versus the March to June 2019 period.

5. Notwithstanding the above referenced eligibility requirement, the Representative Town Meeting hereby authorizes the Town to extend the Deferment Program to all taxpayers, regardless of eligibility, as is permitted by Executive Order 7S.

6. Any landlord or taxpayer that rents or leases to any commercial, residential, or institutional tenant or lessee shall be eligible for the Deferment Program if said landlord or taxpayer provides documentation to the Town that the parcel has or will suffer a significant income decline or that commensurate forbearance was offered to its/his tenants or lessees. Commensurate forbearance shall mean either (a) a deferral of 25% of rent (approximating the property tax portion of the rent) for the three (3) months after its due date; (b) a deferral of one month’s rent to be paid over the three (3) month period; or (c) forbearance substantially similar to (a) or (b) as determined by the tax collector. Required documentation shall include, but is not limited to, proof that some tenants or lessees have received forbearance or that the landlord has actively communicated with tenants or lessees to offer forbearance.

7. Financial institutions and mortgage servicers that hold property tax payments in escrow on behalf of a borrower shall continue to remit property taxes to the Town, so long as the borrower remains current on their mortgage or is in a forbearance or deferment program, irrespective of the borrower's eligibility for or participation in the Deferment Program.

8. Nothing in this Resolution affects any provision of the Connecticut General Statutes relating to continuing, recording and releasing property tax liens and the precedence and enforcement of taxes, rates, charges and assessments shall
remain applicable to any deferred tax, rate, charge or assessment or installment or portion thereof.

The vote was now on the Item No. 4.

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Item Carried

The Moderator announced that Item No. 1 on the Call was now before the meeting.

Fred Camillo, First Selectman, offered the following resolution, regarding Item No. 1 which was duly moved and seconded.

1. RESOLVED, that Section 9-5 of Chapter 9, Waste and Litter, Article 1 – Waste Collection and Disposal of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Greenwich is amended as follows:

Sec. 9-5. - Transportation and disposal required; fees.

All acceptable solid waste shall be transported to the Town disposal area. All bulky waste shall be loaded and transported to any place as directed and designated by the Superintendent.

Each licensed waste collector transporting acceptable solid waste to the Town disposal area shall pay a tipping fee on each ton of acceptable solid waste delivered by such licensed waste collector to the Town disposal area. The amount of such tipping fee and the method of payment shall be established by the Commissioner after consultation with and approval by the Board of Selectmen.

Any town residents who wish to deliver acceptable solid waste generated at their residence directly to the Town disposal area without the use of a licensed waste collector shall be subject to an annual fee as established by the Commissioner after consultation with and approval by the Board of Selectmen.

Francis J. “Kip” Burgweger, Jr, Chairman of Legislative & Rules Committee, made a motion to add the language “not to exceed twenty-five dollars ($25) per household” to the third paragraph.

The vote was now on the Legislative & Rules Motion.

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Motion Carried

Michael Spilo, Chairman of Public Works Committee, made a motion to amend Item No. 1 as follows:

The tipping fees shall be set so that the expected total revenues from tipping fees do not exceed the average of the prior three years’ annual difference of a. the fees paid by the town for the removal of all solid waste from the Town disposal area, less b. any revenues received for recyclable solid waste in the same fiscal year. The tipping fees can be changed at most once a year and only as part of the budget process of the Board of Selectmen.

The vote was now on the Public Works Motion.

In Favor - 32
Against - 193
Abstentions - 2

Motion Failed

Susan Fahey, Chairman of District 11, made a motion to amend Item No. 1 as follows:

The second and third paragraphs of this section shall cease to be effective on October 31, 2021, unless sooner extended by action of the Representative Town Meeting. In addition, it is recommended that the First Selectman form an advisory committee with varying points of view to review the Towns waste management options.

The vote was now on the District 11 Motion.

In Favor - 114
Against - 109
Abstentions - 1

Motion Carried

Michael E. Basham, Chairman of Finance Committee, made a motion to suspend the Representative Town Meeting Rules section III.I.6 “Second Reading”.

The vote was now on the Finance Motion.

In Favor - 130
Against - 92
Abstentions - 0

Motion Failed for lack of 2/3rd majority vote

Edward D. Dadakis, Member of District 1, made a motion to limit further discussion on Item No. 1 for twenty (20) minutes more (11:10p.m. – 11:30p.m.), which was duly moved and seconded.

Upon a Raised Hand, Motion Carried

Upon expiration of the time set aside for debate, Item No. 1 was continued to the May 2020 meeting pursuant to the Second Reading requirement of the RTM Rules.

Cheryl A. Moss, Chairman of District 8, made a motion to take up a non-agenda Item.

Edward D. Dadakis, Member if District 1, moved the previous question.

Upon a Raised Hand, Motion Failed

The vote was now on the District 8 Motion.

| In Favor | - | 42 |
| Against | - | 152 |
| Abstentions | - | 0 |

Motion Failed

There being no further business, the Moderator adjourned the meeting, upon unanimous consent, at 12:06 A.M.

ATTEST:
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS
TOWN CLERK