



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
TOWN OF GREENWICH

The annual Representative Town Meeting of the Town of Greenwich will be held in the Moderator's Hall of Central Middle School on **Tuesday January 17, 2006** at 8:00 P.M.(E.S.T.) for the following purposes:

1. To administer the oath of office to all members.
2. To elect a Moderator
3. To elect a Moderator Pro Tempore
4. To consider and act upon the following resolution, requested by the Superintendent of Schools and approved by the Hamilton Avenue School Building Committee and the Board of Estimate and Taxation.

**RESOLVED, that the sum of \$2,700,000 be and is hereby appropriated to be added to the following account Z6801792 59550 25110 for Hamilton Avenue Reconstruction. Said appropriation to come from Capital and Non-Recurring Fund.**

Referred to Education Committee  
Referred to Finance Committee  
Referred to Public Works Committee

5. To consider and act upon the following sense of the meeting resolution, requested by the Budget Overview Committee.

**WHEREAS**, The Representative Town Meeting (the "RTM") of the Town of Greenwich (the "Town") believes that the Town needs to provide a new police headquarters and administration facility on a site that will best serve the needs of the citizens of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Selectmen of the Town has previously determined to construct a new police facility on an enlarged site on Bruce Place where the existing police facility is located; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTM has previously approved appropriations of funds for site selection studies and for designs and plans for a new police facility and believes that moneys should continue to be available to permit the development of the new police facility as reasonably quickly as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, the size and scope of the proposed new facility has increased to encompass a proposed public safety complex, including new space linking the proposed police facility and police parking facility with a renovated fire station and fire administration facility, which will necessitate closing Bruce Place; and

**WHEREAS**, the increased size and scope of the project have led to increased cost estimates for the various components of the project; and

**WHEREAS**, many members of the RTM have raised questions concerning the scope of the project, the location of the proposed complex, the impact of the project on the downtown commercial area of the Town, the schedule for developing the project and the potential cost of the project, and a majority of the members of the RTM have stated that they would like to receive additional information regarding the proposed public safety complex; and

**WHEREAS**, David Melick has proposed a design which has been publicly discussed and which incorporates a public safety building, downtown parking, increased green space, additional athletic fields and accommodations for the Board of Education's offices which may be less expensive than the Board of Selectmen's proposal; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTM is obligated to the Town's taxpayers to consider viable, potentially less costly alternatives to achieving the Town's goals; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTM believes that in light of the scope and cost of the proposed public safety complex, and its impact on downtown Greenwich for years to come, in addition to its impact on other projects that will be considered for the downtown area, it is necessary and appropriate to make a comprehensive comparison of the Town's proposed public safety complex plan and of the alternative the plan that has been suggested to the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Selectmen has stated that it intends to move forward with the project as presently proposed and will include major funding for the construction of the new police facility in the next year's capital budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that it is the Sense of the Meeting that before the RTM is asked to approve additional funding for the development or construction of the proposed public safety complex, the Board of Selectmen of the Town should review the alternate proposal submitted to the Town and prepare comparable cost and time estimates, and, in particular, the RTM does hereby request the following:

1. The Board of Selectmen provide access to all written materials, including reports, estimates and assessments produced by or for the Town or any Town department, agency or advisory committee relating to the proposed public safety complex, the proposed parking structures in the downtown commercial area, the addition of green space or playing fields in the downtown area, or the relocation of the offices of the Board of Education.

2. The Board of Selectmen cause a review of the two alternatives to be performed, which review will consider and compare the estimated costs of the plan elements (public safety complex, Board of Education headquarters, downtown parking, athletic fields and green space), the time to construct, the disruption to the central business district, the effect on future central business district development, the effect on the tax roll and related future tax revenues and any other factors which the Board of Selectmen deems relevant to properly assess the two projects.
3. The Board of Selectmen present to the RTM parallel analyses by appropriate town officials, employees or consultants of the two approaches to the proposed public safety complex, proposed downtown parking facilities, proposed playing fields on downtown property and the development of new office facilities for the Board of Education, including costs, time lines, disruption of downtown and any other relevant considerations.
4. The Board of Selectmen obtain a "highest and best use" appraisal of the Bruce Place land upon which the Town presently plans to construct the police building and parking.
5. The Board of Selectmen present its analyses, conclusions and recommendations, based on the conclusions from the parallel analyses and assessments, to the RTM prior to the March RTM meeting.

Referred to Education Committee  
Referred to Finance Committee  
Referred to Land Use Committee  
Referred to Parks & Recreation Committee  
Referred to Public Works Committee  
Referred to Town Services Committee  
Referred to Transportation Committee

Dated at Greenwich,Ct  
January 3, 2006

THOMAS J. BYRNE  
MODERATOR  
CARMELLA C. BUDKINS  
TOWN CLERK