

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON, CT.
OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE: January 23, 2018
(Council Members are asked to call the Town Manager's office if they are unable to attend the meeting.)

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: Town Hall – Council Chambers

AGENDA

- A. Call to Order.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Public Comments.
- D. Consideration of Special Topics.
 - 1. Public Financing Presentation from Barry Bernabe, Managing Director of Phoenix Advisors, LLC
 - 2. Direct Report Presentations
- E. New Business.
 - 1. To take action on Budget Targets for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year.
- F. Executive Session – None.
- G. Adjournment

cc: Town Clerk
Press
Main Library & Barney Library
Nancy Parent, Director of Community & Rec. Svcs.
Joseph Swetcky, Director of Finance & Administration
Erica Robertson, Assistant Town Manager
Mary-Ellen Harper, Director of Fire and Rescue Svcs.
Russell Arnold, Director of Public Works and Dev. Svcs.
Paul Melanson, Chief of Police
Rose Ponte, Economic Development Director

Kathleen Greider, Superintendent of Schools
Jay Johnston, Library Director
Eric DeMaio, Nutmeg TV

MOTION

Agenda Item D-1

Barry Bernabe, Managing Director of Phoenix Advisors, LLC will give a presentation on the topic of public financing with a focus on the Town of Farmington.

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Agenda Item D-2

The Town of Farmington Direct Reports will introduce themselves to the Town Council and give a brief overview on their department.

Proposed Schedule

Paul Melanson, Chief of Police	7:40-7:50 p.m.
Russ Arnold, Director of Public Works	7:50-8:00 p.m.
Steve Hoffmann, Director of Fire and Rescue Services	8:00-8:10 p.m.
Rose Ponte, Economic Development Director	8:10-8:20 p.m.
Jay Johnson, Library Director*	8:20-8:30 p.m.
Nancy Parent, Director of Community and Recreational Services	8:30- 8:40 p.m.
Joe Swetcky, Director of Finance	8:40-8:50 p.m.
Erica Robertson, Assistant Town Manager	8:50-9:00 p.m.

*Jay Johnson is technically not a "direct report"

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Agenda Item E-1

To take action on budget targets for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year.

NOTE: Attached is the following information:

- Adopted Budget History FY 95/96-FY 17/18
- Five Year Expenditure Averages
- Tax Rate History FY 95/96-FY 17/18

In the past, the Town Council has set budget targets for the Town Manager and for the Board of Education. At times, the Town Council has set expenditure targets, at other times an overall tax rate target was given. For most years, the Town Council has set a target range, not a specific number. In the past, the Town Council provided some general policy direction regarding the budget.

Please be aware that if the Town Council is going to set targets it should be done at this meeting.

Also, please be aware that all information needed to compile the budget is not available at this time. For example, revenues, state aid, and grand list are not yet complete.

/Attachment

**ADOPTED BUDGET HISTORY
WITH PERCENTAGE CHANGE BY FUNCTION
FY1995/96 TO FY2017/18**

	<u>1995-96</u>	<u>1996-97</u>	<u>1997-98</u>	<u>1998-99</u>	<u>1999-00</u>
BOARD OF ED	23,789,503 2.0%	25,189,777 5.9%	26,735,753 6.1%	29,163,807 9.1%	31,176,110 6.9%
TOWN	16,201,154 3.0%	16,526,178 2.0%	17,050,223 3.2%	17,152,065 0.6%	17,533,642 2.2%
DEBT	3,204,016 -3.7%	3,417,189 6.7%	3,755,759 9.9%	4,478,094 19.2%	4,799,950 7.2%
CAPITAL IMPRV	<u>801,500</u> -30.6%	<u>1,043,000</u> 30.1%	<u>1,071,890</u> 2.8%	<u>1,341,000</u> 25.1%	<u>1,085,450</u> -19.1%
TOTAL	<u>43,996,173</u> 1.1%	<u>46,176,144</u> 5.0%	<u>48,613,625</u> 5.3%	<u>52,134,966</u> 7.2%	<u>54,595,152</u> 4.7%

	<u>2000-01</u>	<u>2001-02</u>	<u>2002-03</u>	<u>2003-04</u>	<u>2004-05</u>
BOARD OF ED	33,357,376 7.00%	35,602,809 6.73%	38,684,086 8.65%	39,600,000 2.37%	41,976,000 6.00%
TOWN	18,435,030 5.14%	19,111,923 3.67%	19,828,457 3.75%	20,430,667 3.04%	20,913,849 2.36%
DEBT	4,849,132 1.02%	5,855,152 20.75%	6,875,233 17.42%	7,985,151 16.14%	8,080,960 1.20%
CAPITAL IMPRV	<u>2,014,000</u> 85.55%	<u>1,978,000</u> -1.79%	2,110,000 6.67%	1,340,500 -36.47%	1,746,000 30.25%
TOTAL	<u>58,655,538</u> 7.44%	<u>62,547,884</u> 6.6%	<u>67,497,776</u> 7.9%	<u>69,356,318</u> 2.8%	<u>72,716,809</u> 4.8%

	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>2008-09</u>	<u>2009-10</u>
BOARD OF ED	44,578,512 6.20%	46,584,545 4.50%	48,261,432 3.60%	48,569,606 0.64%	49,510,762 1.94%
TOWN	21,698,465 3.75%	22,472,878 3.57%	23,523,163 4.67%	24,246,610 3.08%	22,892,736 0.00%
DEBT	7,897,579 -2.27%	8,822,299 11.71%	8,780,255 -0.48%	8,963,000 2.08%	9,142,000 2.00%
CAPITAL IMPRV	<u>2,145,500</u> 22.88%	<u>1,978,750</u> -7.77%	<u>2,519,000</u> 27.30%	<u>1,304,000</u> -48.23%	<u>635,000</u> -51.30%
TOTAL	<u>76,320,056</u> 4.96%	<u>79,858,472</u> 4.64%	<u>83,083,850</u> 4.04%	<u>83,083,216</u> 0.00%	<u>82,180,498</u> 0.55%

For FY2009/2010 the Refuse appropriation is not included in the totals.

	<u>2010-11</u>	<u>2011-12</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>
BOARD OF ED	51,491,192 4.00%	53,978,296 4.83%	55,462,700 2.75%	56,547,790 1.96%	58,236,460 2.69%
TOWN	23,501,331 2.66%	24,160,220 2.80%	24,710,825 2.28%	25,330,950 2.51%	26,179,873 3.10%
DEBT	8,943,305 -2.17%	8,703,570 -2.68%	8,361,617 -3.93%	7,579,198 -9.36%	6,988,196 -7.80%
CAPITAL IMPRV	<u>950,000</u> 49.61%	<u>780,000</u> -17.89%	<u>1,800,000</u> 130.77%	<u>2,562,800</u> 42.38%	<u>2,944,765</u> 14.90%
TOTAL	<u>84,885,828</u> 3.29%	<u>87,622,086</u> 3.22%	<u>90,335,142</u> 3.10%	<u>92,020,738</u> 1.87%	<u>94,349,294</u> 2.28%

	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>
BOARD OF ED	60,391,209 3.70%	62,686,075 3.80%	64,172,641 2.37%
TOWN	27,118,908 3.59%	28,229,371 4.09%*	28,860,794 2.24%
DEBT	6,818,620 -2.43%	6,827,369 0.13%	7,315,700 7.15%
CAPITAL IMPRV	<u>3,234,000</u> 9.82%	2,856,900 -11.66%	2,398,000 -16.06%
TOTAL	<u>97,562,737</u> 3.41%	<u>100,599,715</u> 3.11%	<u>102,747,135</u> 2.13%

*2.71% without Golf Course

**BUDGET CHANGES: LAST FIVE YEARS
BY DOLLAR AMOUNT AND PERCENT**

<u>Expenditure Category</u>	<u>Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Dollar Increase</u>	<u>% Increase</u>
<u>Board of Education</u>			
2013/2014	56,547,790	1,085,090	1.96%
2014/2015	58,236,460	1,688,670	2.69%
2015/2016	60,391,209	2,154,749	3.70%
2016/2017	62,686,075	2,294,866	3.80%
2017/2018	64,172,641	1,486,566	2.37%
Five year average		1,741,988	2.90%
<u>Town</u>			
2013/2014	25,330,950	620,125	2.51%
2014/2015	26,179,873	848,923	3.10%
2015/2016	27,118,908	939,035	3.59%
2016/2017	28,229,371	1,110,463	4.09%
2016/2017		734,442	2.71%
2017/2018	28,860,794	631,423	2.24%
Five year average (with Westwoods Golf Course Included)		829,994	3.11%
Five year average (without Westwoods Golf Course Included)		754,790	2.83%
<u>Debt Service</u>			
2013/2014	7,579,198	-782,419	-9.36%
2014/2015	6,988,186	-591,012	-7.80%
2015/2016	6,818,620	-169,576	-2.43%
2016/2017	6,827,369	8,749	0.13%
2017/2018	7,315,700	488,331	7.15%
Five year average		-209,185	-2.46%
<u>Capital Improvements</u>			
2013/2014	2,562,800	762,800	42.38%
2014/2015	2,944,765	381,965	14.90%
2015/2016	3,234,000	289,235	9.82%
2016/2017	2,856,900	-377,100	-11.60%
2017/2018	2,398,000	-458,900	-16.06%
Five year average	2,799,293	119,600	7.89%

TAX RATE HISTORY
FY1996/1997 to FY 2017/2018

Grand List Year	Fiscal Year	Tax Rate (in mills)	Change (in mills)	Percent Change	
1995	1996/1997	21.60	(5.3)	-19.7%	Revaluation Year
1996	1997/1998	22.40	0.8	3.7%	
1997	1998/1999	22.80	0.4	1.8%	
1998	1999/2000	22.80	0.0	0.0%	
1999	2000/2001	23.60	0.8	3.5%	
2000	2001/2002	25.00	1.4	5.9%	
2001	2002/2003	26.50	1.5	6.0%	
2002	2003/2004	21.90	(4.6)	-17.4%	Revaluation Year
2003	2004/2005	23.30	1.4	6.4%	
2004	2005/2006	24.27	1.0	4.2%	
2005	2006/2007	25.24	1.0	4.0%	
2006	2007/2008	25.95	0.7	2.8%	
2007	2008/2009	19.47	(6.5)	-25.0%	Revaluation Year
2008	2009/2010	19.76	0.3	1.5%	
2009	2010/2011	20.46	0.7	3.5%	
2010	2011/2012	21.27	0.8	4.0%	
2011	2012/2013	21.90	0.6	3.0%	
2012	2013/2014	24.07	2.2	9.9%	Revaluation Year
2013	2014/2015	24.44	0.4	1.5%	
2014	2015/2016	25.10	0.66	2.71%	
2015	2016/2017	25.78	0.66	2.70%	
2016	2017/2018	26.68	0.90	3.50%	
Averages		23.38	-0.01	0.00	With Revaluation Years Included
Averages		23.74	0.78	3.4%	Without Revaluation Years

Tax Rate % Change Averages (Without Revaluation Years)	
5 year Avg	2.68%
10 year Avg	2.92%
15 Year Average	3.68%
18 year Avg	3.37%