

# TOWN OF LEDYARD CONNECTICUT

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

## Finance Committee ~ AGENDA ~

Special Meeting

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

5:00 PM

Town Hall Annex Building - Hybrid Format

In -Person Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building Remote Participation: Information Noted Below

Join Zoom Meeting from your Computer, Smart Phone or Tablet:

https://ledyardct.zoom.us/j/84068773386?pwd=a4uvykwXsYtcbAbny7lYUBXVql1aVk.1 by Audio only: Telephone: +1 646 558 8656; Meeting ID: 840 6877 3386; Passcode: 070955

- I CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS
- VII. BUSINESS OF THE MEETING
  - 1. MOTION to approve a Budget Letter of Directive to the Mayor and Board of Education for the preparation of the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget, as presented in the draft dated November 24, 2025.

**Attachments:** TAX ASSESSOR-VETERANS TAX RELIEF

PROGRAMS-REVENUE LOSS-EMAIL-2025-11-19 BUDGET PROCESS-CHARTER for 2026-2027

IV ADJOURNMENT

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File #: 25-2857 Agenda Date: 12/10/2025 Agenda #: 1.

### AGENDA ITEM CORRESPONDENCE

### **Subject:**

MOTION to approve a Budget Letter of Directive to the Mayor and Board of Education for the preparation of the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget, as presented in the draft dated November 24, 2025.

### **Background:**

To begin the Annual Budget Process the Town Council issues a "*Budget Letter of Directive*" to the Mayor and Board of Education, which outlines the preparation process provided in the Town Charter and also provides some direction relative to budget increases for the coming year.

# BUDGET PREPARATION SUGGESTED SCHEDULE/GUIDE AND ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET PROCESS (Suggested Schedule Guide)

(Please Note Some Dates are Subject to Change)

### Kev:

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Green/Blue: Dictated by Town Charter.

Reference: Town Charter Chapter VII - Pages (s) 28 - 31

October/November (Election Year-Dec) Town Council prepares and submits letter of Directive for Fiscal Year Budget to Mayor and Board of Education. (This Date is NOT dictated by Charter)

**December -** Town Council approves Town Council Department budget to submit to Mayor's Office. (This Date is NOT dictated by Charter)

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3rd Monday in January All Departments submit preliminary budget to Mayor's Office (Monday 1/19/2026 is Martin Luther King Day Holiday).

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### (3/2/2026)

1st Monday in March the Mayor submits budget to Town Council and files with Town Clerk's Office.

### March

Finance Committee conducts Departmental Budget Work Sessions. Departments review and submits budget materials to Town Council.

### (4/8/2026)

Town Council finalizes budge to Present to a Public Hearing.

(This Date is **NOT** dictated by Charter)

### (4/15/2026)

Town Council files proposed budget with Town Clerk's Office for Public Hearing.

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### Per Town Charter On or Before Last Monday in April

### (4/20/2026)

On <u>OR</u> Before the last Monday in April the Town Council conducts one or more Public Hearings on the proposed budget at the Council Chambers. (School Vacation 4/13/2026 - 4/17/2026)

### 4/22/2026

Town Council Votes to Finalize Budget

(This Date is **NOT** dictated by Charter)

### Per Town Charter

### (5/4/2026)

1st Monday of May the Town Council files proposed budget with Town Clerk's Office for Annual Town Meeting

### **Per Town Charter**

### (5/18/2026)

3rd Monday in May Annual Town Meeting on the proposed budget to adjourn to a vote on the voting machine the following day (Tuesday).

### Per Town Charter

### (Tuesday 5/19/2026)

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### Per Town Charter 6/22/2026

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\*\* The budget must be presented as a Resolution

### **Roxanne Maher**

From: Adrianna Hedwall

Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 11:30 AM

**To:** Roxanne Maher

**Subject:** RE: Veterans Tax Relief Programs - Loss of Revenue for FY 25/26

Hello.

The new exemption for permanent and totally disabled veterans incurred a grand list loss of \$11,962,000 or a revenue loss of \$444,200. I have several new applicants this year as well.

Let me know if you need further information 😊

Adrianna

### Adrianna S. Hedwall, CCMA 11



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\*\*\* EFFECTIVE JUNE 11, 2018 OUR NEW OFFICE HOURS WILL BE: \*\*\*

MON — THURS 7:30AM TO 4:45PM

TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

From: Roxanne Maher <council@ledyardct.org>
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To: Adrianna Hedwall <assessor@ledyardct.org>
Cc: Roxanne Maher <council@ledyardct.org>

Subject: Veterans Tax Relief Programs - Loss of Revenue for FY 25/26

Good Morning Adrianna:

Could you please tell me the total loss in tax revenue that was a result of the Veterans Tax Relief programs for the current Year (FY 25, 26).

Thank you,

### Roxanne

Roxanne M. Maher
Administrative Assistant to
The Ledyard Town Council
(860) 464-3203
<a href="mailto:council@ledyardct.org">council@ledyardct.org</a>

### Town Hall Hours:

Monday – Thursday 7:45 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. Closed on Friday



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