



TOWN OF LEDYARD

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Legislation Text

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FINANCIAL BUSINESS REQUEST

Motion/Request

MOTION to appropriate the Connecticut Secretary of the State Early Voting Grant in the amount of \$10,500 to Account# 21010301-56100-G0015 entitled "Registrar - Operating Expenses - Misc. Grants".

In addition, authorize the Registrar of Voters to expend the Early Voting Grant in the amount of \$10,500 to pay for expenses associated with Early Voting provisions in accordance with Public Act 23-5.

Background:

Pursuant to Public Act 23-204, the Connecticut Secretary of the State will provide a grant in the amount of \$10,500 to each municipality for costs related to implementing and conducting early voting. The Secretary of the State will distribute the grants starting in January 2024, contingent on municipalities detailing their intended use of the funds. This funding is provided as a sub-recipient, one-time grant.

Connecticut Early Voting Laws

Public Act 23-5 was passed by the House of Representatives on May 4, 2023 and was passed on May 31, 2023 by the State Senate. (See attached).

The Early Voting Law will apply to elections and primaries that occur on or after January 1, 2024.

In accordance with Public Act 23-5 every municipality will have to create at least one early voting location and has the option to establish more.

Early Voting provisions will be as follows:

- General Elections: 14 days of early voting
- Primaries: seven days ahead
- Special Elections: four days

Department Comments/Recommendation:

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Finance Director Comments/Recommendation:

The grant funding includes numerous stipulations as outlined on the attached communication from the Office of the Secretary of the State. It is expected the Registrar's Office will work with the Finance Office to ensure grant compliance.

Mayor Comments/Recommendation:
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