



Legislation Text

File #: 23-1676, Version: 1

FINANCIAL BUSINESS REQUEST (FBR)

Motion/Request:

MOTION to set a Fiscal Year 2023/2024 a Real Estate and Personal Property Mil Rate of 34.56 and a Motor Vehicle Mil Rate of 32.46.

Background:

At the May 16, 2023 Referendum the townspeople approved a Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget in the amount of: \$64,540,940 (GG \$28,632,572; and BOE \$35,908,368) represented a 0.75 mil increase.

In accordance with the Town Charter, Chapter VII; Section 6 "On or before the first day of July the Town Council shall fix the tax mils".fourth Monday in June

For the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 the State has implemented a Car Tax Cap of 32.46 mils. the Car Tax Cap Because the Car Tax Cap would result in a loss of tax revenue for several towns, the Legislature has put \$100 million in the State’s Budget to offset all the Municipal car tax losses

Currently there were 46 towns whose mil rate was over 32.46 mils, noting that Hartford’s mil rate was 54 mils and Torrington’s mil rate was 74 mils.

Department Comment/Recommendation:



**Adopted FY 24 State Budget
Municipal Aid Ledyard
for:**

	Est. FY 23	Adopt. FY 24	\$ Change	% Change
Adult Education	25,142	25,392	250	1.0%
ECS	11,492,516	11,624,199	131,683	1.1%
LoCIP	112,964	112,964	0	0.0%
Pequot-Mohegan	1,391,000	1,391,000	0	0.0%
PILOT	925,100	1,000,994	75,894	8.2%

Town Aid Road	295,778	295,778	0	0.0%
Municipal Grants-in-Aid	421,085	421,085	0	0.0%
Motor Vehicle Reimbursement	143,385	213,782	70,398	49.1%
Municipal Revenue Sharing	0	0	0	
Municipal Stabiization	0	0	0	
Supplemental Revenue Sharing	0	0	0	
TOTAL	14,806,969	15,085,194	278,224	1.9%

Finance Director Comment/Recommendation:
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Mayor Comment/Recommendation:
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Meeting Action Detail:

Town Council Meeting 06/14/2023:

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Moved: Ryan **Seconded:** Ingalls

Action: Approved and so declared

Minute Note:

Moved by Councilor Saums, seconded by Councilor Ryan

Discussion: Councilor Saums stated at the May 16, 2023 Referendum the townspeople approved a Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget in the amount of: \$64,540,940 (GG \$28,632,572; and BOE \$35,908,368) which represented a 0.75 mil increase over the current year. He stated the 34.56 Mil Rate was as presented during the Annual Town Meeting Budget Presentation to the townspeople.

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Finance Committee Meeting 06/07/2023:

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Finance Director Matthew Bonin provided an overview of the State Funding to Ledyard provided by Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) noting that based on this Report the Town would be receiving about \$278,224 more in State funding over what was received in the current year. The Finance Committee reviewed the projected State Revenue to Ledyard and agreed not change the proposed Mil Rate that was presented at the May 15, 2023 Annual Town Meeting, noting that that past history has proven that the State Revenue received does not always total up to the amount budgeted by the legislature.

Ledyard



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VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared

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