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Public Hearings Notice Town of Winchester Community Development Block Grant

The Winchester Board of Selectmen will hold 3 public hearings on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 8</u>, <u>2021</u> <u>starting at 6:00 p.m.</u> at the Winchester Town Hall, 1 Richmond Road, Winchester, NH 03470.

The first public hearing will be held to discuss and hear public comment on the ongoing Winchester Town Beach Feasibility Study project sponsored by the Town of Winchester through a federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). An update on the results of the Study will be provided.

The second public hearing will discuss an application to the NH Community Development Finance Authority for CDBG funds. CDBG funds are awarded on a competitive basis in New Hampshire and may be used for projects which have primary benefit to low- and moderate-income people. A municipality can apply for up to \$500,000 in CDBG funds for housing, public facility, economic development, and emergency projects and \$25,000 for feasibility studies annually. The proposal to be considered by the Town of Winchester is an application on behalf of the Winchester Learning Center for up to \$500,000 in CDBG public facility funds. The funds, less administrative costs, will be subgranted to the Winchester Learning Center, a nonprofit childcare center located at 109 Keene Road in Winchester that provides high-quality childcare for predominantly low- and moderate-income families. In combination with private grants, CDBG funds are proposed to be used for the acquisition of an adjacent parcel off of Keene Road in Winchester and construction of classrooms to create capacity for 18 additional children. This public hearing has been scheduled to provide specific information about the project and grant requirements. A third Public Hearing will be held to adopt the Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan specific to this project.

Those interested are invited to attend and comment. If you have a disability or need assistance to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact the Town of Winchester, (603) 239-4951 or via Relay NH at 1-800-735-2964, in advance. Anyone wishing to submit written comments prior to the hearing should address them to the Winchester Board of Selectmen, 1 Richmond Road, Winchester, NH 03470.