## Agenda Town of Plymouth

## Charter Revision Proposed Changes Public Hearing

Tuesday, August 30, 2016

## Immediately Following Bonding Resolution Proposal Public Hearing Community Room, Plymouth Town Hall

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Fire Exit Notification
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. To consider and act upon the following proposed changes to the Town of Plymouth Charter for placement on the ballot for the November 2016 Election as follows:
  - a. Chapter VII Section 2, Change the date of delivery of each department, office, or agency budget estimates to the Mayor to January 31 (from February 10), the date of delivery of budget estimates from the Mayor to the Board of Finance to February 10 (from February 22), and the date of delivery of budget estimates of the Board of Education budget to the Board of Finance to February 15 (from February 28)
  - b. <u>Chapter VII Section 3b</u>, to change the time period to schedule a second budget referendum, if necessary, from 20 days to 20 <u>business days</u>
  - c. <u>Chapter VII Section 3b</u>: Change the sentence which reads "Council adjustments to the individual department budgets, excluding debt service, shall not exceed three (3) percent of the current year budget." to "Council adjustments to the budget, excluding debt service, shall not exceed three (3) percent (plus or minus) of the original adopted current year's budget."
  - d. <u>Chapter VII Section 3c</u>: Change the Board of Finance's approval limit from \$50,000.00 to \$100,000.00 for Special Appropriations
  - e. <u>Chapter VI Section 5b-1(a)</u>: Remove from the section the requirement that "All such officers and employees shall, within a reasonable time after appointment become residents of the town, city, or borough contiguous thereto."
  - f. Chapter VIII Section 3: Delete this section in its entirety
  - g. Chapter VI Section 5d-3: Delete this section
  - h. <u>Chapter VI Section 15</u>: Delete the first three (3) sentences and substitute "There shall be a Housing Authority as created by the Board of Selectmen Resolution of April 26, 1965. The Authority shall be managed and have members and terms of membership in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes section 8-40 et. seq. as may be amended."
  - i. <u>Chapter II Section 1(b)</u>: Delete the second sentence and substitute "At such meeting there shall be elected a mayor, five (5) members of the town council to be elected town-wide at large, seven (7) constables, and a treasurer, all for terms of two (2) years.")
  - j. Chapter II Sections 3a and 3b: Eliminate both these sections and replace with the following Section 3. Voting Districts: "All municipal elective offices shall be elected town-wide, including the Town Council and the Town shall have one voting district for the purpose of providing a polling place (or places). In the event that State elective offices are redistricted such that more than one polling place is required, the Registrars of Voters shall determine polling places in each district necessitated by such State action, and the Council shall be authorized to establish such districts. The Mayor, Town Clerk, Registrars of Voters and all other officers of the Town shall perform the duties required of them by law with respect to elections in the voting districts. All action taken under the provision of this section shall be in accordance with Sections 9-168 and 9-169 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended."
- 5. Adjournment