



Town of Andover, CT FY 2020-21 Town Budget

Dear Andover Residents,

Due to COVID-19, Governor Lamont issued an Executive Order (7S) that superseded our Town Charter, **REQUIRING** the Board of Finance to pass a Fiscal Year 2020-21 Town Budget and set the mil rate. This overturns 170 years of tradition in Andover, and was not the preference of the Board of Selectmen or Board of Finance.

The Board of Selectman and Board of Finance have revised the budget presented to be more in-line with the current economic conditions brought on by the pandemic. It includes the final RHAM budget adopted on Monday, April 27, 2020. Unfortunately, even with a zero-budget increase, at RHAM "our" share of the budget increase caused a \$337,188 additional levy as compared to last year. We have absorbed as much as possible with the help of AES and using surplus funds to pay for onetime expenses. The AES budget and the town budget both reflect decreases in overall spending.

Revised FY 2020-21 Budget to be presented on May 6, 2020	
(Compared to 2019-20 budget)	
Town General Budget	Decrease -0.3%
AES Budget	Decrease -4.0%
RHAM Budget	Increase +6.9%
Mil Rate Increase	+0.61
Mil Rate	35.6 proposed

THE FOLLOWING ARE VARIOUS OPTIONS RESIDENTS HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THE BUDGET/PROCESS & PROVIDE FEEDBACK:

- Fill out an electronic feedback form located on our town website at www.andoverct.org
- View the Town of Andover CT YouTube channel with all virtual BOS and BOF meetings.
- Email budget@andoverct.org where you can send feedback on the budget.
- Participate in Public Speak at the Budget Meeting on Wednesday, May 6th.

You are invited to join the *virtual* Board of Finance Budget Meeting on Wednesday, May 6, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

The Board of Finance will present a budget to the public and receive comments.
This will be an online virtual meeting via Zoom and everyone is invited to attend.

Call-in Directions to join the Zoom Meeting:

To join by computer for video/audio: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88901888999>

Call-in from your phone for audio: 1-646-558-8656

Then enter the Meeting ID: 889 0188 8999 and Password: 720873

*Please mute yourself unless you are a board member or during Public Speak.



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