

RESOLUTION # 2021- _____ LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE 2022 TAX CAP LIMIT

WHEREAS, according to New York State’s Property Tax Cap legislation, if a town government decides to adopt a budget with a property tax levy that exceeds the level set by the State, the town government must pass a local law to override that cap, and;

WHEREAS, adopting said local law is not predictive of the final tax levy but will provide the Enfield Town Board flexibility to exceed the Property Tax Cap if it is deemed necessary, and to ensure that any State recalculation of the applicable limit will not make the Town inadvertently out of compliance, and;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the Enfield Town Board on _____, to hear all persons interested in proposed Local Law No. ____ of 2021, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Local Law No. of 2020 Local Law Overriding Tax Levy Limit for 2022 is hereby adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law Section 3-c, which expressly authorizes the Enfield Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Enfield Town Board,

RESOLVED, further, that the Enfield Town Clerk shall publish in the official newspaper of the Town a notice of adoption containing a synopsis of said local law and shall within twenty days file one certified copy in the Office of the County Clerk, and one copy with the Secretary of State.

TOWN OF ENFIELD LOCAL LAW # ____ of 2021 A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C

Be it enacted by the Town Board of The Town of Enfield as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent: It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Enfield pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-C, and to allow the Town of Enfield to adopt a budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31st, 2022 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law §3-C.

Section 2. Authority: This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-C, which expressly authorizes the Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of at least 60% of the Town Board.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override: The Town Board of the Town of Enfield, County of Tompkins, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2022 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-C.

Section 4. Severability: If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective Date: This Local Law shall take effect upon adoption.

RESOLUTION # 2021- _____ Mask Mandate

WHEREAS, the emergence of the novel coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2, that causes the disease COVID-19, can result in serious illness or death and can easily be spread from person to person, and

WHEREAS, the most current local data relating to COVID-19 as provided by the Tompkins County Department of Public Health (“TCDH”) show that the Tompkins County continues to experience significant community spread of this disease, and

WHEREAS, the Center of Disease Control (“CDC”) and TCDH have determined and encouraged that face coverings are an critical tool in the fight against COVID-19 that could reduce the spread of the virus particularly when used universally within a community, and

WHEREAS, the TCDH guidance advises that members of the public consider the use of cloth face coverings when distancing is not possible because wearing a face covering in public places where social distancing measures are difficult can help slow the spread of COVID-19, Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, Effective Immediately - All Town employees and visitors who are age 2 or older are required to wear a cloth mask, surgical mask, or N95 or KN95 mask or the like that are made with tightly woven fabric that does not let light through when held up to the light regardless of vaccination status when on town premises, using town vehicles or equipment, and while working for the town. Clear plastic masks that fit snugly against the sides of the face without gaps are also permitted. And further

RESOLVED, All masks and face coverings must cover the nose and mouth and fit snugly against the sides of the face without gaps at all times except for the following:

- Employees may remove masks and face coverings for reasonable periods of time for active eating and drinking.
- Employees who have presented proof of vaccination to the Town Supervisor may remove masks and face coverings if they are not in public spaces and appropriate social distancing measures of six feet or more are in place- i.e. working in an office; or outside away from others.
- Employees may be exempted from this mask mandate by the Town Superintendent due to a documented disability or medical condition of the employee.
- Employees who are not in public spaces nor in the presence of other employees or town visitors may remove masks and face coverings while working for the town, whether on town property or otherwise.

Employees who fail to wear face coverings when necessary under this mask mandate could be subject to dismissal and removal from town property. Town visitors who fail to wear face coverings when necessary under this mask mandate must leave town premises unless and until they agree to comply with such requirements.