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# THE TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

*Your gateway to updates on programs, events, town services, and other important information!*

**In this issue:** FY25 Budget Hearing, Taste of Windsor, Solar Project Updates, and more!

## FY 2025 Budget Hearing

On **February 5th at 7:15 PM**, the Town Council will hold a public hearing to gather public input for the FY 2025 budget development process. Residents may provide their initial thoughts, ideas, and suggestions concerning the upcoming budget from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

## 27th Annual Black Inventions Exhibit



On **February 1st from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM** at Sage Park Middle School there will be an exciting educational exhibit highlighting the many accomplishments of blacks in the fields of science, communication, health care, transportation, and engineering. This event is free and open to the public.

This event is sponsored by the Windsor Freedom Trail Committee in collaboration with Sage Park Middle School and Archer Memorial AME Zion Church. For more information please email [Windsorfreesdtrailct@gmail.com](mailto:Windsorfreesdtrailct@gmail.com)

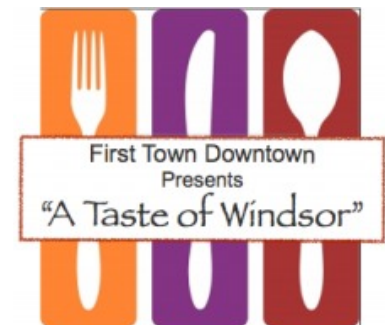
Support for this event is provided through the Town's Community & Neighborhood Enhancement Program funded with American Rescue Funds.

## Taste of Windsor Events

**During the week of February 4-11:**

**Taste of Windsor Online Auction:** Support First Town Downtown by bidding on an array of auction items including restaurant gift cards, weekends away, wine gift baskets, and more. For more information, call 860-247-8982, or click the button below.

**Taste of Windsor Restaurant Week:** Enjoy a hybrid Taste of Windsor Restaurant Week by ordering from your favorite Windsor restaurants (dine in or take out) during the week with a percentage of your purchase going to First Town Downtown programs supporting Windsor Center. For more information, call 860-247-8982, or click the button below.



[Click here for more info](#)

## Cross Country Ski and Snowshoeing



Cross-Country Ski and Snowshoe rentals are offered at the Warming Shed every Saturday and Sunday, starting from Saturday, January 6, 2024. Rentals are accessible between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM, provided there is a minimum 6" base of snow and suitable conditions. Equipment rentals are scheduled for a 2-hour duration, with the final block available starting at 2:00 PM. The rental season is expected to continue until Sunday, March 17, 2024, subject to weather conditions. For those with personal equipment, the trails are open daily from dawn to dusk. Preregistration is mandatory for equipment reservations. If weekend rental conditions are favorable, registration opens on Friday at noon and closes at **9:00 AM** on the respective day (Saturday and Sunday) for same-day rentals.

[Click here to register](#)

## Proposed Solar Development Updates



**CT Siting Council Application:**  
Proposed Solar Development on River Street  
Public Information Meeting

Thursday, January 18, 2024 | 6:30 PM  
Council Chambers, Windsor Town Hall **or** virtual via Zoom

Hear more about the proposed project, the CT Siting Council process, and upcoming public participation opportunities.

### Public Informational Meeting

Town staff will be hosting a public informational meeting on **Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 6:30 PM** at town hall in the Council Chambers to discuss the proposed solar facility at 445 River Street.

Attendees can also join virtually by going to the following link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89705508636?pwd=VpDcWBNEA9RmfJcaax5n8dwkgqpGBq.1>

At this meeting a brief overview of the project will be provided, the Connecticut Siting Council's public participation process will be explained and attendees can ask questions and share their input on the proposed private development project.

### **Siting Council Virtual Meeting regarding River Street Solar Project**

The Connecticut Siting Council has set a public hearing date of February 8th regarding the proposed solar project at 445 River Street.

The hearing has two parts. There will be an evidentiary hearing starting at 2:00 p.m. for those individuals and entities that were granted party and intervenor status. The public comment portion of the hearing will start at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. The Zoom links are listed below. We have updated the town's website to include this information.

#### **Evidentiary Session – 2 PM**

Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89705508636?pwd=VpDcWBNEA9RmfJcaax5n8dwkgqpGBq.1>

No public comments will be received during the 2:00 p.m. evidentiary session.

#### **Public Comment Session – 6:30 PM**

Attendees can join by clicking (or entering) the following link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89705508636?pwd=VpDcWBNEA9RmfJcaax5n8dwkgqpGBq.1>

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## **Town Clerk's Office Temporary Closure**



The Town Clerk's office will be closed on **Tuesday, January 23rd** for the full day to allow staff to attend professional development training. Regular hours will commence on Wednesday, January 24th from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. We apologize for any inconvenience this might cause.

## **IN OTHER NEWS...**

### **Salt & Sand Locations**



# SALT & SAND LOCATIONS

Look for the **YELLOW CONTAINER** in the parking lot at the following locations:

**Sharshon Park:** Skitchewaung St. off Windsor Ave.

**L.P. Wilson Community Center:** 599 Matianuck Avenue

**Mechanic Street Commuter Parking Lot:** located across from the Windsor Station Apartments

**Oliver Ellsworth School:** 730 Kennedy Road, back parking lot next to the sidewalk

**Public Works Complex:** 99 Day Hill Road, off Poquonock Avenue; Exit 38 off I-91

**Poquonock Fire House:** 1575 Poquonock Avenue

**Rainbow Fire House:** 750 Rainbow Road



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