

STATE OF MAINE
MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 15
DISTRICT BUDGET REFERENDUM
SAMPLE BALLOT FOR THE TOWN OF GRAY
JUNE 11, 2024

Instructions to Voters

To vote, fill in the oval next to your choice, like this: ●
To vote for a question, fill in the YES oval. To vote against the question, fill in the NO oval.
To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.
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- Yes **Question 1.** Do you favor approving the Maine School Administrative District 15 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the last District budget meeting?
 No

- Yes **Question 2.** Do you wish to continue the budget validation referendum process in Maine School Administrative District 15 for an additional three years?
 No
- A "YES" vote will require Maine School Administrative District 15 to continue to conduct a referendum to validate its annual school budget for the next three years.
- A "NO" vote will discontinue the budget validation referendum for at least three years and provide instead that the annual school budget shall be finally adopted at a meeting of the voters of Maine School Administrative District 15.

**Sample Ballot
Municipal Election
Gray, Maine
June 11, 2024
BUDGET WARRANT ARTICLES**

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- Yes **Article 2.**
Shall the Town vote to accept any Federal, State, and other sources of revenue and to appropriate the same to fund, in part, the line-item budgets set forth in Article 3 and Article 5, as recommended by the Town Council?
- No

- Yes **Article 3.**
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$13,208,761 to fund the FYE 2025 Municipal Budget, as recommended by the Town Council for the following line-item budgets:
- No

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| Administration (Clerk, HR, Elections, GA, Finance, Economic Development, Code Enforcement, Assessing, Planning, Communications & IT) | \$ 4,752,634 |
| Library & Recreation | \$ 938,348 |
| Public Safety (Fire & Law Enforcement) | \$ 2,175,903 |
| Public Works (Public Works, Solid Waste & Recycling, Facilities & Parks) | \$ 4,121,775 |
| Debt Service | \$ 1,220,101 |
| Total Budget FYE 2025 | \$ 13,208,761 |

- Yes **Article 4.**
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$10,500 for Town Council compensation for FYE 2025, as recommended by the Town Council?
- No

- Yes **Article 5.**
Shall the Town vote to raise and transfer \$194,250 to the Capital Reserve Fund for FYE 2025, and appropriate said amount from the Capital Reserve Fund for the following Capital Projects, as recommended by the Town Council:
- No

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| Road Infrastructure Improvements | \$ 30,000 |
| Facilities Improvements | \$ 127,250 |
| Public Safety Equipment | \$ 37,000 |
| Total Capital Projects FYE 2025 | \$ 194,250 |

- Yes **Article 6.**
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Council to appropriate from the TIF Revenue an amount not to exceed \$346,259 for activities and projects authorized by the TIF District Development Program documents, as recommended by the Town Council?
- No

Yes **Article 7.**
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Council to dispose of Town-owned personal property or real property and to transfer amounts received from the disposition of Town-owned personal or real property into the Capital Reserve Fund, and to appropriate funds from the Capital Reserve Fund for capital improvements and projects, as recommended by the Town Council, provided that the Town Council shall hold a public hearing prior to the expenditure of any funds from the Capital Reserve Fund, as recommended by the Town Council?

Yes **Article 8.**
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Council to accept or reject donations of personal property without conditions and/or gifts of money received through fund-raising activities on behalf of the Town's Recreation Department, the Dry Mills Schoolhouse, the Gray Public Library Association, the Gray Fire Rescue Association, and various Town Committees, and to appropriate the same for their intended purposes, as recommended by the Town Council?

Yes **Article 9.**
Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Council to apply for federal, state, and private funds or grants on the Town's behalf and to accept and appropriate such funds, grants or gifts for the purpose so received or for any purpose for which the Town has appropriated funds during the period from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, as recommended by the Town Council?

Yes **Article 10.**
Shall the Town vote to authorize the payment of tax abatements, including any interest due thereon, from the property tax overlay or, if necessary, from the unassigned fund balance, as recommended by the Town Council?

Yes **Article 11.**
Shall the Town vote to authorize the transfer of the amount in excess of 3/12 of the Town's unassigned general fund balance as of June 30, 2024, not to exceed \$1,000,000 to reduce the tax commitment of FYE June 30, 2025, provided that in no event shall the Unassigned General Fund Balance be reduced as a result of such transfer to a level less than 2/12 of the Town's Net Assessment for Commitment; and to appropriate up to said amounts as described, as recommended by the Town Council?

You have completed voting this ballot

Sample Ballot Municipal Election Gray, Maine June 11, 2024

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- To vote, fill in the oval next to your choice, like this: ●
- To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and fill in the oval.
- Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.
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| <p>Town Council 3-year term Vote for UP TO TWO</p> | <p>School Administrative District #15 3-year term Vote for UP TO TWO</p> | <p>Gray Water District 5-year term Vote for ONE</p> |
| <input type="radio"/> Gass, Anne | <input type="radio"/> Manzer, James | <input type="radio"/> Wilkinson, Adam |
| <input type="radio"/> Johnson, Michael | <input type="radio"/>Write-in | <input type="radio"/>Write-in |
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| <p>Town Council 1 balance of a 3-year term to expire June 2025 Vote for ONE</p> | | |
| <input type="radio"/> Bailey, Michael | | |
| <input type="radio"/> Chappell, Krista | | |
| <input type="radio"/>Write-in | | |