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MEMORANDUM

March 11, 2024

TO: PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

FROM: Michael E. Wrinn, Town Planner

RE: CGS 8-24 Municipal Improvements Referral – Department of Public Works – Easements for
Musket Ridge Road Culvert Replacement

DPW has submitted requested for a review of easements to allow the replacement of the Musket Ridge Road culvert. As part of that work, permanent and temporary easements will be required from 4 separate property owners.

This is being referred to the Commission under Connecticut General Statute, Section 8-24, Municipal Improvement which require submission to the Commission for a report.

The Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), effective October 1, 2019 has a number of policy statements in regards to roadway improvements:

1. Page 80 - Objectives and Strategies: 5.1: Improve Traffic Flow on Wilton Roads and Ensure that improvements to regional road networks , Danbury Road especially align with the Town's land use goals
2. Page 74 - Goal 5: Enhance Wilton's transportation network for all modes and users

8-24 Referral - DPW – Musket Ridge Rd Culvert Easements

Draft Resolution For Review and Consideration

WHEREAS, the Wilton Planning and Zoning Commission (the Commission) has received a Connecticut General Statute Section 8-24 referral (CGS 8-24 referral) from the Department of Public Works for a proposal to obtain easements for the Musket Ridge Road Culvert Replacement Project. Permanent and temporary easements are needed in order to complete the project.

WHEREAS, the Commission met electronically on March 11, 2024 to receive comment from the applicant; the Commission fully discussed and considered all evidence at this same meeting.

WHEREAS, after review, the Commission has determined that the request can be supported for the following reasons, which are contained in the 2019 Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD):

3. Page 74 - Goal 5: Enhance Wilton's transportation network for all modes and users
4. Page 80 - Objectives and Strategies 5.1: Improve Traffic Flow on Wilton Roads and Ensure that improvements to regional road networks , Danbury Road especially align with the Town's land use goals

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposal is not contrary to goals and objectives contained in the 2019 Plan of Conservation and Development nor contrary to any other long or short range planning initiatives for this area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, for the above referenced reasons, the Planning and Zoning Commission votes to issue a **POSITIVE 8-24 Report** regarding the Easements required for the Musket Ridge Road Culvert Replacement Project and that this action be forwarded to the Board of Selectmen and the Department of Public Works

