

### **Board of Finance Revaluation & Tax Update**

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#### **Revaluation Overview**

Inclusive of Residential Property & Residential Motor Vehicles, the Residents component of the Grand List grew 33.0%; Non-Resident components grew 13.3%



Note: Residential Motor Vehicle consists of Motor Vehicles which are owned or leased by Wilton residents; the Town Assessor does not have the commercial / residential split in the 2022 Motor Vehicle Grand List, so we have assumed that the split is consistent with the 2023 split; Non-Resident includes Commercial Property, Commercial Motor Vehicle, Personal Property, and Other Source: Wilton Preliminary Grand List; Town Assessor - *Wilton, CT Board of Finance* -

#### **Revaluation Overview**

Given the high pace of residential property growth, the Resident's component of the Grand List grew from 78% of the total to 81%

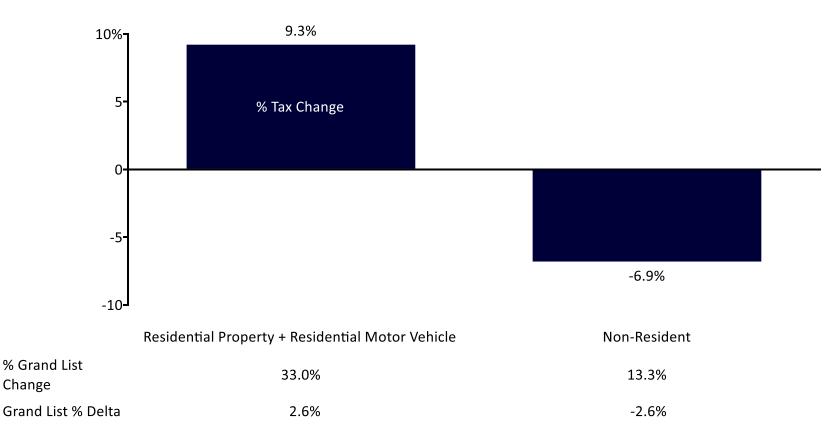


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### **Budget & Mill Rate Overview**

Assuming a 5.8% Total Town Property Tax increase, aggregate Resident Taxes (inclusive of Residential Property & Residential Motor Vehicle) would need to increase 9.3%

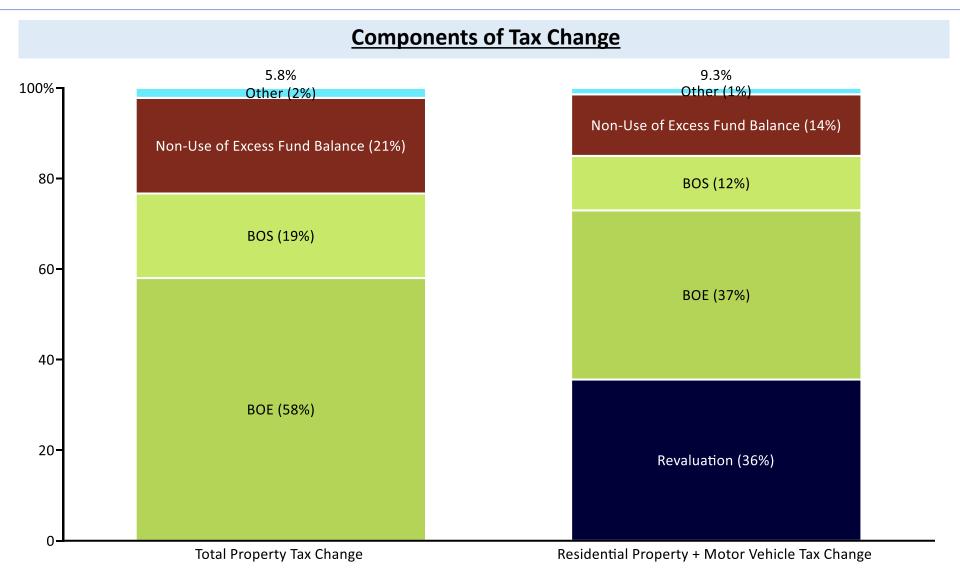
#### Tax Change by Grand List Component with a 5.8% Total Town Property Tax Increase



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#### **Budget & Mill Rate Overview**

Revaluation is the biggest driver of Resident tax change, followed by the BOE request, the lack of available prior year savings and the BOS request



Note: "Other" includes change in Debt Service, Non-Property Tax Revenue, Charter Reserve, and Collection Rate Source: Wilton Preliminary Grand List; Town Assessor - Wilton, CT Board of Finance -

#### **Budget & Mill Rate Overview**

This chart illustrates the Resident's tax percent change (inclusive of Residential Property & Residential Motor Vehicle) in FY25 by changing assumptions on BOS and BOE budget growth

#### Residential Property + Motor Vehicle Tax Percent Increase Sensitivity: BOS vs BOE Budget Change

	_	BOE Annual increase										
_		0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.0%
se	0.0%	4.6%	5.0%	5.3%	5.7%	6.1%	6.4%	6.8%	7.1%	7.5%	7.9%	8.2%
	0.5%	4.7%	5.1%	5.5%	5.8%	6.2%	6.6%	6.9%	7.3%	7.6%	8.0%	8.4%
	1.0%	4.9%	5.2%	5.6%	6.0%	6.3%	6.7%	7.1%	7.4%	7.8%	8.1%	8.5%
Increase	1.5%	5.0%	5.4%	5.8%	6.1%	6.5%	6.8%	7.2%	7.6%	7.9%	8.3%	8.6%
BOS Annual Inc	2.0%	5.2%	5.5%	5.9%	6.3%	6.6%	7.0%	7.3%	7.7%	8.1%	8.4%	8.8%
	2.5%	5.3%	5.7%	6.0%	6.4%	6.8%	7.1%	7.5%	7.8%	8.2%	8.6%	8.9%
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	4.5%	5.9%	6.2%	6.6%	7.0%	7.3%	7.7%	8.0%	8.4%	8.8%	9.1%	9.5%
	5.0%	6.0%	6.4%	6.7%	7.1%	7.5%	7.8%	8.2%	8.5%	8.9%	9.3%	9.6%

#### **BOE Annual Increase**

• Unless otherwise stated, this chart uses the assumptions detailed on pages 10-11 of this presentation

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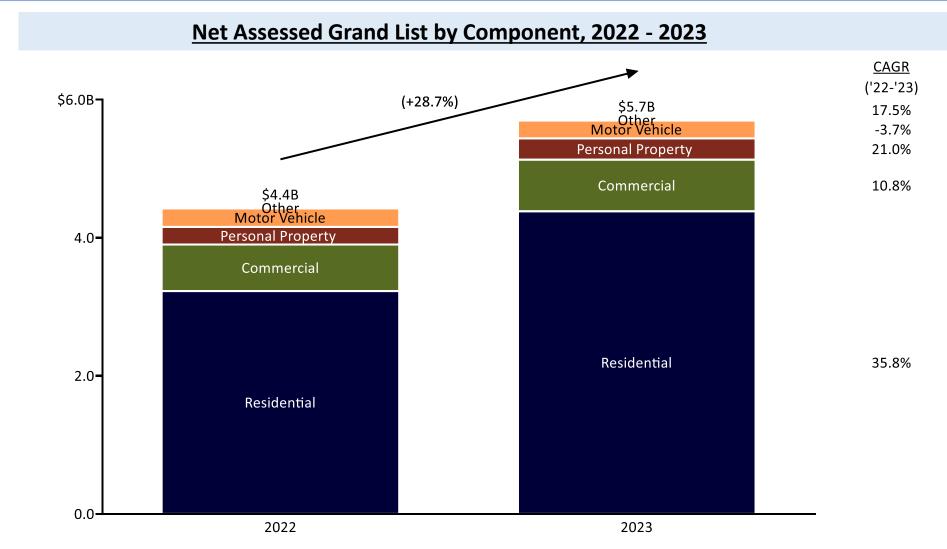
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### **Appendix - Revaluation Overview**

Based on the Preliminary Revaluation Results, Wilton's Grand List grew 28.7% between Oct-22 and Oct-23. Growth was primarily driven by Non-Apartment Residential Properties (35.8% growth)



Note: "Other" includes Special (\$8.2m), Industrial (\$3.2m), and Open Space (\$125k); property values represent "Assessed" values vs "Appraised"; exempt properties are excluded; these figures are based on raw data received from the Town Administrator on March 5, 2024 Source: Wilton Preliminary Grand List; Town Assessor - Wilton, CT Board of Finance -

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BOS requested a \$35.9m budget (+4.1%) and BOE requested a \$93.5m budget (+4.9%). Combined with debt service (minimal change), this yields a +4.3% funding requirement increase

	FY 24 Approved	FY 25 Projected	FY 25 Projected	
	Budget		Post-Revaluation	
OPERATING REQUIREMENTS	-			
BOS - Operating Expenses	33,412,794	34,632,148	34,632,148	FY25 BOS-Requested Budget
BOS - Oper. Capital	1,060,801	1,244,353	1,244,353	FY25 BOS-Requested Budget
Board of Selectmen	34,473,595	35,876,501	35,876,501	-
% Growth	1.6%	4.1%	4.1%	
\$ Growth	\$530,231	\$1,402,906	1,402,906	
Board of Education	89,181,692	93,538,159	93,538,159	FY25 BOE-Requested Budget
% Growth	2.9%	4.9%	4.9%	-
\$ Growth	\$2,503,830	\$4,356,467	4,356,467	
Debt Service	9,960,502	9,975,742	9,975,742	FY25 BOS-Requested Budget
% Growth	10.4%	0.2%	0.2%	-
\$ Growth	\$935,292	\$15,240	15,240	
Reserves	1,336,158	1,393,904	1,393,904	1% of Expenditures per Charter
% Growth	3.1%	4.3%	4.3%	-
\$ Growth	\$39,694	\$57,746	57,746	
TOTAL OPERATING REQUIREMENTS	134,951,947	140,784,306	140,784,306	
% Growth	3.1%	4.3%	4.3%	-
\$ Growth	\$4,009,047	\$5,832,359	5,832,359	
Tax Relief Elderly/Disabled	1,110,000	1,110,000	1,110,000	Flat with FY24
Tax Relief WVAC/Georgetown	20,750	20,750	20,750	Flat with FY24
Senior and Other Tax Relief	1,130,750	1,130,750	1,130,750	-
% Growth	-8.1%	0.0%	0.0%	
\$ Growth	(\$100,000)	\$0	-	
TOTAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS	136,082,697	141,915,056	141,915,056	
% Growth	3.0%	4.3%	4.3%	
\$ Growth	\$3,909,047	\$5,832,359	\$5,832,359	

Source: Wilton Board of Selectmen & Board of Education - Wilton, CT Board of Finance -

The forecasted 5.8% increase in Total Town Property Taxes is primarily driven by a 4.3% increase in requested operations spending, a 4.1% increase in non-property tax revenue, the absence of prior-year savings available to offset property taxes, and the addition of an estimated ~\$60 million in new taxable property

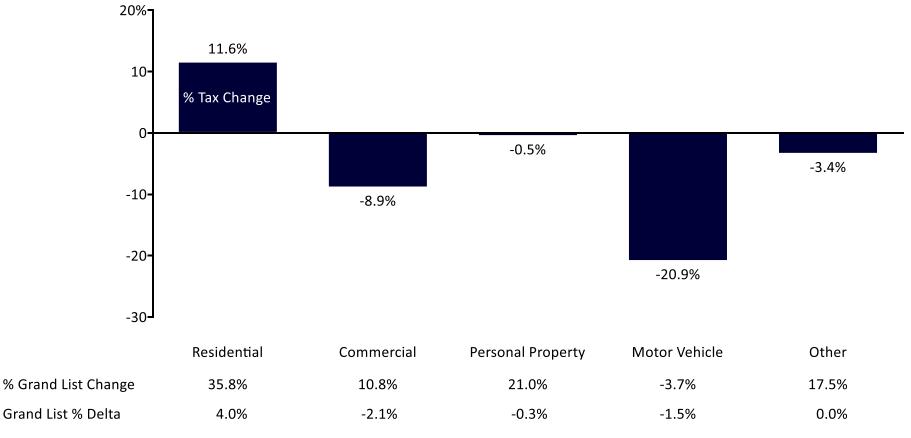
	FY 24 Approved	FY 24 Approved	FY 25 Projected
	Budget	Budget - Restated	Budget
SOURCES FOR FUNDING			
Revenue Other Than Property Taxes	5,666,709	5,666,709	5,901,152
% Growth	1.2%	1.2%	4.1%
\$ Growth	\$68,908	\$68,908	234,443
Use of Excess of Fund Balance	1,585,986	1,585,986	-
% Growth	-55.4%	-55.4%	
\$ Growth	(\$1,968,264)	(\$1,968,264)	(\$1,585,986)
Mill Rate Levy	128,830,002	128,830,002	136,013,904
% Growth	4.7%	4.7%	5.6%
\$ Growth	\$5,808,402	\$5,808,402	\$7,183,902
TOTAL SOURCES FOR FUNDING	136,082,697	136,082,697	141,915,056
% Growth	3.9%	3.9%	4.3%
ŚGrowth	\$5,058,684	\$5,058,684	5,832,359
MILL RATE CALCULATION			
MILL RATE LEVY	128,830,002	128,830,002	136,013,904
Grand List	4,433,859,226	5,649,267,812	5,711,341,841
Increase in Grand List	1.0%		1.1%
Collection Rate	99.30%	99.30%	99.10%
COLLECTIBLE GRAND LIST	4,402,822,211	5,609,722,937	5,659,939,764
MILL RATE	29.3	23.0	24.0
% Change	3.7%	-21.5%	4.6%
Mill Rate Levy	128,830,002	128,830,002	136,013,904
Collection Rate	908,167	908,167	1,235,242
TOTAL TOWN PROPERTY TAXES	129,738,169	129,738,169	137,249,146
% Growth	4.7%	4.7%	5.8%
\$ Growth	5,849,347	5,849,347	7,510,977

BOF set 4.0% growth quidance in Nov-23

Note: "Revenue Other Than Property Taxes" contains an additional ~\$483k above the figure provided in the BOS budget to reflect a larger state grant (MRSA) than forecast; The FY24 Restated Grand List reflects an estimate for New Development Growth in FY24 Source: Wilton Board of Selectmen & Town Assessor - Wilton, CT Board of Finance -

Assuming a 5.8% Total Town Property Tax increase, aggregate Residential Property taxes would need to increase 11.6%

#### Tax Change by Grand List Component with a 5.8% Total Town Property Tax Increase



Note: "Other" includes Special (\$8.2m), Industrial (\$3.2m), and Open Space (\$125k) Source: Wilton Preliminary Grand List; Town Assessor - Wilton, CT Board of Finance -

This chart illustrates the expected residential property tax percent change in FY25 by changing assumptions on BOS and BOE budget growth.

#### Residential Property Tax Percent Increase Sensitivity: BOS vs BOE Budget Change

-		0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.0%
<b>BOS Annual Increase</b>	0.0%	6.8%	7.2%	7.6%	7.9%	8.3%	8.7%	9.1%	9.4%	9.8%	10.2%	10.5%
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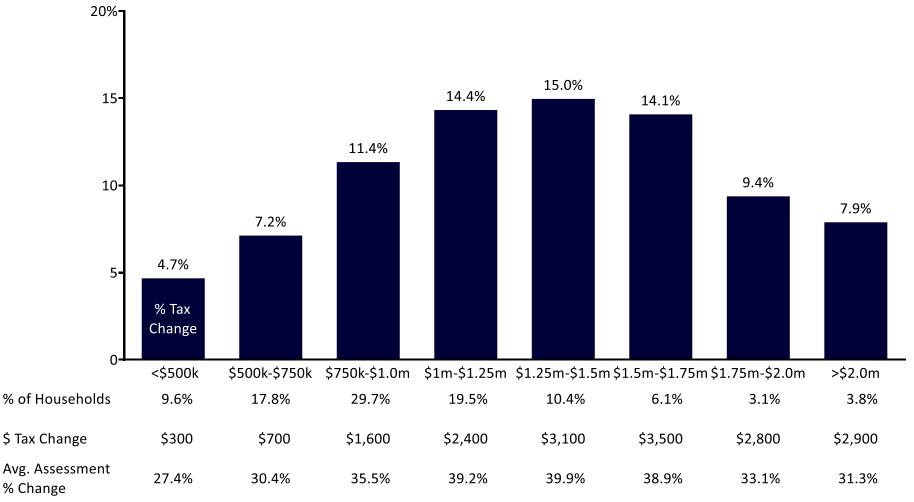
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The Revaluation resulted in different rates of property change for each residential property. This chart shows the average rate of change within ranges of appraised values. Note, 75% of residential property owners had a change in value greater than the overall 28.7% increase in the grand list

#### Average Tax Increase Based on an Overall 5.8% increase in Funding from Property Taxpayers



Source: Wilton Preliminary Grand List; Town Assessor

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