

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING, PERSONAL REGISTRATION AND ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE ITHACA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Public Budget Hearing of the Ithaca City School District (the “District”) for the discussion of the expenditures and budgeting of funds for the 2020-2021 school year will be held on May 28, 2020, commencing at 5:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time (E.D.S.T.). In accordance with Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.15, the District will conduct its hearing on the proposed District Budget by tele-conferencing, and in-person attendance will not be permitted due to the COVID-19 public health crisis. The tele-conferencing number may be accessed on the District’s internet website at: <https://www.ithacacityschools.org/>

NOTICE is also given that in accordance with Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.26 that the Annual District Meeting and Election (the “Election”) will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, for the purpose of voting on: (I) the 2020-2021 annual District budget, which will appear on the ballot as Proposition No. 1; (II) the appropriation and expenditure of funds from the District’s “2018 Capital Reserve Fund” to purchase school buses, as set forth in Proposition No. 2; (III) the election of members of the District’s Board of Education; and (IV) the transaction of such other business as is authorized by law.

NOTICE is also given that in accordance with Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.26, the Election shall take place remotely, and qualified voters shall vote in such Election only by absentee ballot, to be provided to all qualified voters by the District.

NOTICE is also given that district residents may obtain a copy of a statement prepared by the Board of Education of the estimated expenses and the amount of money that will be required for school purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, together with the appendages required by Education Law §1716, at the District Office, 400 Lake Street, Ithaca, New York, on and after May 26, 2020, during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., each weekday except Saturday, Sunday or holiday; and on the District’s internet website at: <http://www.ithacacityschools.org>.

NOTICE is also given, in accordance with §495 of the N.Y. Real Property Tax Law, that the District shall prepare a Real Property Tax “Exemption Report” which will show how much of the assessed value on the final assessment roll (utilized for the school tax levy) is exempt from taxation by the District. The exemption report will list every type of exemption granted and will show: (1) the cumulative impact of each type of exemption; (2) the cumulative amount expected to be received as payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTS), or other payments, from recipients of each type of exemption; (3) the cumulative impact of all exemptions granted. This Exemption Report will be posted on the District’s website no later than May 22, 2020, and on District bulletin boards utilized for posting public notices. The Exemption Report will be annexed to any preliminary District budget, and shall become part of the final budget.

NOTICE is also given, that in addition to the proposed District budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year and school year, which will appear on the ballot as Proposition No. 1, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters, which will appear on the ballot as Proposition No. 2:

**Proposition No. 2**

Shall the Board of Education of the Ithaca City School District (the “District”) be authorized to appropriate funds from the District's “2018 Capital Reserve Fund” in the maximum amount of \$799,126.00 and to

expend these funds for the following purposes: (1) Bus Purchases: six (6) full size gasoline buses; and (2) Van Purchase: three (3) transit vans?

NOTICE is also given that three members of the Board of Education will be elected due to the expiration of the terms of Dr. Patricia Wasyliv, Dr. Sean Eversley Bradwell, and Christopher Malcolm. The three candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to an at large full three-year term from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. Pursuant to the provisions of the Education Law, candidates for the at large office of Member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition. A separate petition shall be required to nominate each candidate. Each petition shall state the name and residence of the candidate. Each petition shall be filed with the Clerk of the District by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 11, 2020. Forms of petition may be obtained from the Clerk of the District and on the district website at <http://www.ithacacityschools.org>

NOTICE is given that the District has established personal registration. Accordingly, the only persons entitled to vote on June 9, 2020 are those who are “qualified voters” and who are “registered” to vote as set forth herein. To be a “qualified voter” a person must be a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age, and a legal resident of the District for a period of 30 days immediately preceding June 9, 2020. If a “qualified voter” has previously registered with the District or with the County Board of Elections and has voted within the last four (4) calendar years, he or she is eligible to vote at the June 9, 2020 Election without re-registering. All other persons who wish to vote at the Election must either pre-register with the District as set forth below, or be registered with the Tompkins County Elections Board to vote in general elections, pursuant to the provisions of Article 5 of the Election Law, on the date of the Election.

NOTICE is given that for those “qualified voters” who are not yet “registered” to vote, the District has authorized continuous registration of qualified voters in the Office of the Clerk of the School District, 400 Lake Street, Ithaca, New York, until May 26, 2020, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., at which time any qualified voter who appears personally will be entitled to have his or her name placed on the District’s Register.

NOTICE is also given that the election Register prepared pursuant to law shall be on file in the Office of the District Clerk, 400 Lake Street, Ithaca, New York, and shall be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District from June 4, 2020 through June 8, 2020, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., excepting Sunday. Qualified voters who wish to inspect the registration list must arrange an appointment for same with the District Clerk by calling (607) 274-2101 or by emailing: [tricia.beresford@icsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:tricia.beresford@icsd.k12.ny.us).

NOTICE is also that absentee ballots will be automatically mailed to all qualified voters of the District. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available for public inspection in the office of the District Clerk during regular office hours, until the day of the election. No absentee voter’s ballot shall be canvassed unless it shall have been received in the office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the Election. Qualified voters who wish to inspect the list of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued must arrange an appointment for same with the District Clerk by calling (607) 274-2101 or by emailing: [tricia.beresford@icsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:tricia.beresford@icsd.k12.ny.us).