



## STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #: 24-08  
COUNCIL MTG OF: January 2, 2024  
FROM: Dave Caron, Town Administrator  
OFFERED BY: Administration  
PREPARED BY: Administration  
SUBJECT: Polling Location for 2024 Elections

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**PURPOSE:** Designate Pinkerton Academy as the Town's polling location for all elections in 2024.

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:** See comments within this report.

**BACKGROUND:** State statute requires the Governing Body (Town Council) to designate a polling location for the conduct of national, state and local elections. The Town Council previously designated Pinkerton Academy as the polling location for the 2024 Presidential Primary. The Council now needs to designate a polling location for all other elections in 2024, which are anticipated to include the March Town/School election, the September State Primary and the November Federal/State election.

**DISCUSSION:** The Town Council convened an Election Subcommittee of town, school and Pinkerton officials after the last election to review experiences with past elections and chart a course for future elections. The Committee met twice to review concerns and receive information on past voting patterns. There was general consensus that Pinkerton would be acceptable as a single polling location. Recognizing the Council's acceptance of Pinkerton as a single polling location for the Presidential Primary, logic follows that the site would be acceptable for the remaining elections in 2024, with at least two of those events (March local and September state primary) expected to experience reduced voter activity and congestion than the Presidential Primary.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** No additional costs as this recommendation would require the Town to continue to staff one polling place.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION BY TOWN COUNCIL:** Please see Resolution #2024-005.



# RESOLUTION

Number 2024-005

To Approve the Central Polling Location for all Elections

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WHEREAS, State Statutes assign to the Town Council the responsibility to provide polling locations;  
and

WHEREAS, the Town Council under Resolution #2023-080 designated Pinkerton Academy as the  
central polling location for the January 23, 2024 Presidential Primary; and

WHEREAS, a central polling location needs to be designated for the remaining elections in 2024;  
and

WHEREAS, Pinkerton Academy has offered to host these elections at its facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED IN COUNCIL that the Town Council hereby designates  
Pinkerton Academy as the Town's Central Polling Location for all elections conducted in 2024.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Adopted: January 2, 2024

Attest:

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Charles Foote, Council Chair  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cristina Guilford, Town Clerk  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_