

(EXTERNAL MESSAGE)RE: Charter Revision Question

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Date Wed 3/18/2026 8:05 PM

To Alex Taylor <ataylor@coventry-ct.gov>

Cc James Drumm <jdrumm@coventry-ct.gov>

Good evening –

You may want to confirm it with bond counsel, but I don't believe there is a statutory requirement that prohibits the town from addressing this issue in any particular manner. Many towns allow the town council to authorize bonds or notes up to a certain amount and require either town meeting or referendum approval above that threshold, but the amount varies depending on the size of the municipality. It's a political/policy decision for the town to make. You will just want it to be clear.

Please let me know if you have any other questions. Thanks very much.

Rich

From: Alex Taylor <ataylor@coventry-ct.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2026 3:23 PM

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Subject: Re: Charter Revision Question

Rich,

Passing on another question from our Charter Revision Commission. Currently, the charter requires that the issuance of bonds be approved at a Town Meeting. The Commission wished to inquire as to what the requirements are for municipal bonding from a statutory standpoint, and whether it would be possible to remove that requirement and allow the Council to approve issuance of bonds either generally or below a certain dollar threshold. Please let me know if you require any further information or clarifications. Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

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