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AGENDA
MARCH 30, 2026

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Public Works Committee of the Trumbull Town Council will hold a meeting at the Trumbull Town Hall on March 30, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

DISCUSSION ITEM: Siena Research Institute Draft Senior & Community Center Survey Questionnaire

ADJOURNMENT

Trumbull, CT
Questionnaire – Draft

Hello, this is _____ from the Siena Research Institute. We're speaking confidentially today to people in your area. No one will try to sell you anything. We are interested in your opinions on an important local matter.

Screener 1

Part I- Screener

Are you 18 years of age or older?

- Yes
- No [Terminate]

Screener 2

Do you live in Trumbull, Connecticut?

- Yes
- No [Terminate]

1. How closely would you say you follow local, that is, town issues, would you say you follow those issues…
    a. Very closely
    b. Somewhat closely
    c. Not very closely
    d. Not at all closely
    e. Don't know/Refused

Part II- Looking Back: what were you thinking?

2. Over the past several years, there has been public discussion about the possible construction of a new Senior and Community Center in Trumbull. How closely have you followed the public discussion of a possible new Senior and Community Center in Trumbull?
    a. Very closely
    b. Somewhat closely
    c. Not very closely
    d. Not at all closely
    e. Don't know/Refused

3. **Last year, in November 2025, there was a referendum on the ballot that would have bonded $27.1 million to build a new Senior and Community Center at Grace Church Property on Main**

Street. Were you in favor or opposed to this referendum to build a new Senior and Community Center?

a. In favor
b. Opposed
c. Neither in favor nor opposed
d. Refused

4. (if in favor) What would you say is the single most important reason for your support of the past referendum? [open ended]

5. (if opposed) What would you say is the single most important reason for your opposition to the past referendum? [open ended]

Part III- Looking Forward: What do you want?

6. How important is it to you to have a modern, up-to-date Senior Center that meets the needs of the residents and the Town??
    a. Very important
    b. Somewhat important
    c. Not very important
    d. Not important at all
    e. Don't know/Refused

7. In general, are you in favor or opposed to spending $27 to $30 million dollars for a new Senior Center?
    a. In favor
    b. Opposed
    c. Need more information
    d. Refused

8. Town officials say that the current Senior Center is nearing the end of its useful life and if it continues, it would need repairs and updates to many of its systems. Which of the following three options do you prefer: [ROTATE]
    a. Continue to fix structural issues and mechanical systems like heat, air conditioning, elevators, at the current 100-year old Senior Center
    b. Do a full renovation of the existing Senior center not only fixing the systems but also enlarging it and adding more parking at an estimated cost of 20 million or more dollars
    c. Build a new Senior Center that would provide not only seniors with full services but have sufficient space to accommodate community meetings
    d. Not sure/need more information
    e. Don't know/Refused

9. If a new project is proposed by the Town, which of the following Town-owned properties would you prefer a Senior Center to be located? [ROTATE a through d]
    a. Priscilla Place, the location of the current Senior Center
    b. The Grace Church property on Main Street by Town Hall
    c. Hardy Lane, the property off Church Hill Road
    d. Tashua Knolls, the location of the golf course and pool
    e. Don't know/Refused

10. I'm going to read to you some amenities that a new Senior Center could possibly include. For each of the following, tell me how important that feature would be to you in a new Senior Center? Would it be very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not important at all? [ROTATE a through f]
    a. Large community room that could be divided into smaller rooms for meeting spaces
    b. Indoor recreation space that would include pickleball and/or basketball courts
    c. An exercise or gym space
    d. An indoor pool at an increased building cost
    e. Senior programming space
    f. Youth activity space

11. I'm going to read you some statements that have been made about the plans to build a new Senior Center. For each tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, neither agree nor disagree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree? [ROTATE a through i]
    a. The current Senior Center building is outdated.
    b. We need a new Senior Center that will better serve the community.
    c. We cannot as a town afford a new multi million dollar Senior Center.
    d. A new Senior Center will benefit the entire community.
    e. I simply don't want to bond for a building that I will pay for over the next 20 years.
    f. Construction of a new Senior Center would negatively impact the environment.
    g. A new facility would not only benefit local seniors but the entire community of Trumbull.
    h. The Town of Trumbull needs a safe place for youth to play indoors.
    i. A new senior center should have an indoor pool at an increased cost

12. For each statement, please tell me whether it would make you more likely to support, less likely to support, or would not affect your opinion about building a new Senior Center.
    a. The estimated tax impact as a result of the bonding, could be about $30 per $100,000 of assessed home value. That means, for the average home, the tax increase would be less than $150 as of November 2025.
    b. A traffic study finds that additional traffic would not have a significant impact on the surrounding area.
    c. A new Senior Center will be built with energy efficient heating and cooling thereby reducing environmental impact and operating costs.

d. If a Senior Center is not built on the Grace Church or Hardy Lane properties, the sites will be considered for other uses.
e. The facility could provide flexible space for meetings and community activities.

OTHER POSSIBLE SECTION 3 QUESTIONS -

13. For each of the following, tell me if this would make you more likely to support a future proposal for a new Senior Center, less likely to support it or would it make no difference to your support for a future proposal?
    a. A lower overall project cost
        a. More likely to support
        b. Less likely to support
        c. No difference
        d. Don't know/Refused
    b. A different location, somewhere other than the Grace Church property
    c. A smaller building with fewer amenities
    d. Having more information about the tax impact
    e. Having more information about traffic and environmental impacts
    f. More community input into the design

14. Which of the following would you prefer: [ROTATE]
    a. A new, state-of-the-art, modern Senior Center that would primarily benefit older residents of the Town of Trumbull.
    b. A muti-purpose Community Center that would be used by all members of the community for meetings, events and recreation.
    c. Neither
    d. Don't know/Refused

Part IV: Demographics and classification questions…

Do you own your home or rent?

1. Own
2. Rent
3. Something else
4. Refused

How long have you lived in Trumbull?

1. Less than five years
2. 5 to 10 years
3. 10 to 20 years
4. More than 20 years
5. Refused

In what year were you born?

Are there children under the age of 18 living in your household?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Refused

Have you used or visited the Senior Center in Trumbull located at 23 Priscilla Place within the last 12 months?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know/Refused

Are you registered to vote?

4. Yes
5. No
6. Refused

(If registered to vote) Are you registered to vote as…

1. Democrat
2. Republican
3. Unaffiliated (No party)
4. Or as a member of another political party
5. Refused

Would you consider yourself:

1. White
2. Hispanic or Latino
3. Black or African American
4. Asian
5. American Indian or Alaska Native
6. Middle Eastern or North African
7. Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
8. Some other race (specify)
9. Refused

What is your household income, before taxes?

1. Less than $50,000 a year
2. $50,000 to $100,000
3. $100,000 to $150,000
4. $150,000 to $200,000
5. $200,000 or more

6. Refused

What is your gender?

1. Male
2. Female
3. Other (specify)
4. Refused