

# Gorham Fiscal Stability Committee

## Agenda – Meeting TWO

May 20, 2024, 6pm, Conference Room A, Gorham Municipal Center

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### Objectives

- Increased understanding of demographic trends, growth strategies, school enrollment trends, and partnerships with USM.
- Affirmation of our process and plans going forward.

### Agenda

- 6:00      **Opening**
- Facilitator Craig Freshley will explain the Agenda and remind us of our Meeting Guidelines.
  - He will also remind us what we agreed to at our first meeting of April 22.
  - We will welcome new members and each member of the Committee will briefly introduce themselves.
- 6:20      **Presentations about the Town and the Schools**
- Town Manager Ephrem Paraschak will present the following, and related
    - Demographic Trends
      - Overall town population
      - Businesses
    - Growth Strategies
      - Comprehensive Plan
      - Economic development plans
      - Turnpike spur
      - Current strategies and tactics
      - Potential pending developments
  - Superintendent Heather Perry will present the following, and related
    - Most recent Demographic Enrollment study
    - Most recent enrollment study with the group
    - Some "high level" type of student data
      - i.e. total number of BIPOC students, males, females, socioeconomically disadvantaged, special education, alt. ed. learners, 504 students, PK students, etc.
    - Information about collaborations with USM and Gorham Schools
  - There will be opportunity for questions and clarifications
- 7:30      **Looking Forward**
- We will remind ourselves of the overall schedule and plan for meeting topics going forward.
  - We will affirm our next meeting date and discuss the agenda.
- 7:50      **Closing Comments**
- Each member of the Committee will be encouraged to make a brief last comment such as a reflection on our first facilitated meeting and/or a hope for the future.
- 8:00      **Adjourn**