

**NOTICE OF REFERENDUM  
VILLAGE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that at the same time and place as the general election to be held in the Village of Rockville Centre on June 18, 2019, between the hours of 6:00 am and 9:00 pm, the Village will hold a referendum for the purpose of voting upon the proposition stated below. All duly registered voters of the Village shall be eligible to vote.

**BALLOT PROPOSITION #1 – VILLAGE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE**

**"Shall the qualified electors of the Village of Rockville Centre approve the resolution adopted by the Mayor and Trustees on May 14, 2019, pursuant to Article 11-A of the General Municipal Law, to (a) effective January 1, 2020, abolish the existing service award program for members of the Rockville Centre Fire Department as such program previously was approved by the said electors on March 16, 1993, and as thereafter amended with the approval of the said electors, provided, however, that effective January 1, 2020 a participant who earns one year of service credit will obtain a non-forfeitable right to his/her accrued service award, and (b) effective January 1, 2020, establish a service award program which would be administered by the New York State Comptroller or the designee of such Comptroller, and would consist of a defined benefit plan as a service award. The projected service award for the defined benefit plan is \$20 per month for each year of service credit, payable for life beginning at age 65. Post age 65 active volunteers may be paid additional \$20 monthly payment lifetime service awards for years of service credit earned after age 65. The annual cost, first payable in calendar year 2021, of funding the proposed Defined Benefit Service Award Program for current volunteers is estimated to be as much as \$385,000 or \$1,650 per participating firefighter, including the cost of administration. The estimated annual cost to administer the Defined Benefit program for calendar year 2020 is \$8,500. The cost to terminate the existing Defined Contribution Service Award Program is estimated to be \$25,000."**

**Dated: May 14, 2019**

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Kathleen M. Murray, Village Administrator**