

March 16, 2021

Governor Philip Scott
Executive Office of Governor Phil Scott
109 State Street, Pavilion
Montpelier, VT 05609

Dear Governor Scott,

At the annual City meeting held on March 2, 2021, the voters of Winooski approved the following ballot item:

Shall the City of Winooski urge the State to halt F-35 training flights in a densely populated area, such as Winooski?

As such, I write today to respectfully request that you halt the F-35 training flights in our densely populated community.

Our residents first initiated a conversation about such a ballot item with the City Council in December 2020. At their meeting on December 14, 2020 the Council approved a process to allow for citizen petitions to be submitted with electronic signatures given COVID restrictions. Residents put together an on-line petition and were able to collect signatures of 188 registered Winooski voters by the deadline. At their meeting on January 25, 2021, the City Council voted to put this advisory item on the Town Meeting Day 2021 ballot.

The Town Meeting results were as follows:

723	yes votes (66.8%)
354	no votes
5	under voters and over votes

With this communication I am including the certified election results from our City Clerk. You may also find previous votes taken in our community on this topic at www.winooski.vt.gov/1392/Learn-About-Airport-Sound-Mitigation. Response communication can be sent to me at jbaker@winooski.vt.gov or at 27 West Allen Street, Winooski, VT 05404. Thank you for your consideration of our voters' request.

Sincerely,



Jessie Baker
City Manager

CC: Senator Patrick Leahy
Senator Bernie Sanders
Representative Peter Welch
Major General Gregory Knight
Mayor Miro Weinberger
Mayor Kristine Lott and the Winooski City Council



CERTIFICATION

STATE OF VERMONT
CHITTENDEN COUNTY, SS

I, Carol J. Barrett, City Clerk of the City of Winooski within said County and State, and having by law the custody of the seal, records and files of said City, do hereby certify that I have compared the Annual City Election held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.

The results are as follows:

Total Registered Voters	5032
Total Voted	1082

ARTICLE SIX:

Shall the City of Winooski urge the State to halt F-35 training in a densely populated area, such as Winooski?

YES	723
NO	354
UNDERVOTES	3
OVERVOTES	2

49%

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto affix the seal of the City and subscribe my name, at Winooski, in said County and State, this 15th day March, 2021.


Carol J Barrett, City Clerk

