



# EARLY/ABSENTEE BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION TOWN OF NATICK MARCH 28, 2023

PRECINCT 5

*Diane B. Packer*  
TOWN CLERK  
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### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER:

- A. To vote, fill in the OVAL  to the right of your choice
- B. Follow the directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office. Vote for no more than the number specified.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name and residence in the blank provided and fill in the oval.

#### SELECT BOARD

FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO

RICHARD SIDNEY 30 High St. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

KAT MONAHAN 42 Beaver Dam Rd. ++++++

KRISTEN L. POPE 5 Winslow Rd. ++++++

ROGER G. SCOTT 40 Water St. ++++++

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#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO

DONNA M. MCKENZIE 7 Bolser Ave. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

MATT BRAND 1 Clearview Dr. ++++++

KATE A. FLATHERS 3 Waban St. ++++++

LEIGH PRESTON HALLISEY 18 Robinhood Rd. +++++

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#### PLANNING BOARD

FOR FIVE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

TERESA M. EVANS 73 Washington St. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

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#### RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO

BARBARA FAHEY SANCHEZ 54 Washington Ave. ++

Candidate for Re-election

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#### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

WENDY J. CURRAN-ELASSY 92 Bacon St. +++++

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#### BOARD OF HEALTH

FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

KARLA HOPE SANGREY 224 Eliot St. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

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#### NATICK HOUSING AUTHORITY

FOR FIVE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

DAVID M. CIMINELLI 16 Waring Rd. ++++++

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#### MORSE INSTITUTE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

FOR FIVE YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN FIVE

KATHLEEN DONOVAN 3 Craft Rd. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

CAROL A. GLOFF 20 South Ave. #101 ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

GERALD MAZOR 8 Running Brook Cir. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

SALLY L. MCCOUBREY 6 Forest St. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

THOMAS P. HOURIHAN 216 Bacon St. ++++++

ANNA E. McMAHAN 284 Bacon St. ++++++

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#### CONSTABLE

FOR TWO YEARS VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO

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#### TOWN MEETING MEMBERS

PRECINCT 5 VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN EIGHT (8)

DAVID F. DORANT 1 Mark St. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

LAWRENCE L. DROLET 14 Lowell Rd. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

ALISON ELIZABETH ENGELMAN 280 Bacon St. +++++

Candidate for Re-election

ANDREW D. ESCHTRUTH 285 Bacon St. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

TODD M. GILLENWATER 10 Lowell Rd. ++++++

Candidate for Re-election

NICHOLAS BLAIZE MICELI 22 Wheeler Ln. ++++++

DANIEL E. WEINER 12 Yorkshire Dr. ++++++

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**QUESTION NO. 1**

Shall the Town approve the Charter Amendment proposed by a vote of the Natick 2022 Fall Annual Town Meeting under Article 16, summarized below?

YES

NO

Article 16 proposed to change the Natick Town Clerk position from elected to appointed. In order to accomplish this, the Natick Home Rule Charter ("Charter") needs to be amended. First, Article 3, which set forth provisions that apply to elected officials must be amended. Specifically, Sections 3-1 and 3-5, which set forth the general listing of all elective offices (Section 3-1) and set forth specific duties regarding the elected Town Clerk (Section 3-5), would be changed. The changes would delete the Town Clerk position from the list of elected offices in Section 3-1 of the Charter, and Section 3-5 of the Charter would be deleted entirely.

Next, Article 6, which sets out the Administrative Organization of the Town, must be amended. Provisions which establish an appointed Town Clerk would be added to Article 6. New Section 6-5 would be added to the Charter which details the appointment process and qualifications of the Town Clerk, establishes the powers and duties of the Town Clerk, and specifies what happens if the Town Clerk position becomes vacant.

The proposed new language for Section 6-5 of the Charter is as follows:

Section 6-5 Town Clerk

- (a) Appointment and Qualifications - There shall be a town clerk appointed by the Town Administrator for a term of three years. The town clerk shall be a person especially fitted by experience, education, and training in the subject areas necessary to perform the duties of the office of town clerk. The representative Town Meeting may by bylaw (1) establish additional qualifications, powers and duties; and (2) provide for a screening committee for appointments for the position of Town Clerk.
- (b) Powers and Duties - The town clerk shall be the keeper of vital statistics for the town, the custodian of the town seal, shall administer the oath of office to any person, elected or appointed, who shall apply to the town clerk for such purpose, shall issue such licenses and permits as are required by general laws to be issued by town clerks, supervise and manage the conduct of all elections and matters relating to elections, be the clerk of the representative town meeting, keep its records. The town clerk shall have all other powers and duties which are given to town clerks by general laws and shall have such additional powers and duties as are provided by charter, by by-law or by other town meeting vote, or by the Town Administrator.
- (c) Vacancy - If the town clerk is unable to perform the duties of the position because of disability or absence, or if the office is vacant because of resignation, death, or otherwise, the Town Administrator may appoint a temporary town clerk to hold such office and exercise the powers and perform the duties of the town clerk until the town clerk, who is disabled or absent, resumes the duties of the position, or until another town clerk is duly appointed. Said temporary appointment shall be in writing, signed by the Town Administrator and filed with the Select Board and the office of the Town Clerk.