

SAMPLE BALLOT

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108TH ANNUAL MEETING
CITY OF NEWPORT, VERMONT
FEB 20 2026
MARCH 3, 2026

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INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- Use **BLACK** Pen to fill in the oval. **DO NOT USE PENCIL.**
- To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, fill in the oval to the right of the name of that person.
- To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the person's name in the blank space provided and fill in the oval to the right of the write-in line. Please use block letters and stay within the box provided for write-ins.
- Do not vote for more candidates than the "VOTE for NOT MORE THAN #" for an office.
- If you make a mistake, tear, or deface the ballot, return it to an election official and obtain another ballot. **DO NOT ERASE.**

FOR CITY COUNCIL		FOR CITY SCHOOL TRUSTEE		FOR GRAND JUROR	
for Two Years	Vote for Two	for Three Years	Vote for One	for Three Years	Vote for Three
JOHN P. MONETTE	<input type="radio"/>	MARY ELLEN PRAIRIE	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
SHARON PARE'	<input type="radio"/>	FOR CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR		FOR CONSTABLE	
(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>	for One Year	Vote for One	for One Year	Vote for One
(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
FOR TRUSTEE TO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #22		FOR CITY SCHOOL TRUSTEE			
for Three Years	Vote for One	for Two Years	Vote for One		
DEREK JUDD	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>		
(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>		

ARTICLES

Article 2
 Shall the City compensate the Mayor and Council Members serving the City of Newport for the ensuing year as follows: for the Mayor Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,250), for the Council Member serving as Council President, Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), for the remaining Council Members, One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,750)?

YES
 NO

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Article 3
 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont approve the FY2027 budget, as recommended by the City Council, of \$9,341,645.09 of which \$3,184,208.45 is non-tax revenue, and \$6,157,436.64 of which is to be raised by taxes, for the general operation and to cover liabilities of the City of Newport, Vermont, including amounts approved by the voters as appropriations or assessments, and authorize the City to assess a tax in addition to amounts the City is allowed by law to assess, sufficient to provide for the same?

YES
 NO

Article 4
 Shall the voters of the Newport City School District authorize the Newport City School District to approve the Newport City School Board to expend \$9,293,096, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?
 The district estimates that this proposed budget, if approved will result in per pupil education spending of \$15,603, which is 5.47 % higher than per pupil education spending for the current year.

YES
 NO

Article 5
 Shall the voters of the Newport City School District authorize the Newport City School Board to transfer \$250,000, of unallocated, unaudited general fund balance to the Construction/Building Maintenance Fund from the 2024-2025 school years?

YES
 NO

Article 6
 Shall the voters of the City of Newport, Vermont vote to pay real property taxes in four installments with due dates of September 15, 2026, December 15, 2026, March 15, 2027 and June 15, 2027, (32 V.S.A. sec. 4773) with an interest charge of 1% per month added if each installment is not paid by the due date (32 V.S.A. sec. 5136); after June 15, 2027, any unpaid taxes will be charged an 8% commission penalty (32 V.S.A. sec. 1674) plus interest?

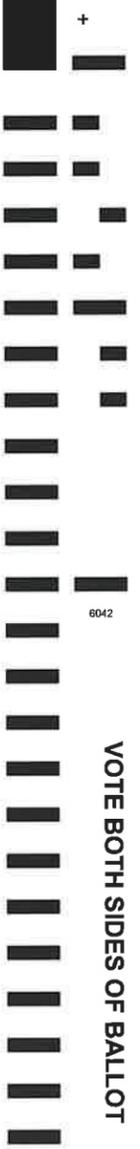
YES
 NO

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Article 7
 Shall the voters of the City of Newport, Vermont approve an amendment to the City's Charter, dated January 28, 2026, containing the following sections?
 Subchapter 1: Incorporation and Powers of the City
 Subchapter 2: Governance Structure
 Subchapter 3: City Manager
 Subchapter 4: City Clerk and Treasurer
 Subchapter 5: City Meetings
 Subchapter 6: Ordinances
 Subchapter 7: Administration
 Subchapter 8: Budget Process
 Subchapter 9: General Provisions
 The Charter Amendment in its entirety is available for inspection at the City of Newport City Clerk's Office during regular office hours, Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. the Charter Amendment is also available for review on the City's website at www.newportvermont.org

YES
 NO

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

<p>Article 8 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000) to help defray the operational expenses of the Goodrich Memorial Library and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 9 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) to Orleans/Essex VNA & Hospice, Inc. for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Medical Social Work, Licensed Nurses Aids, Homemaker and Personnel Care Attendants, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Programs, and other community health programs provided by the agency to the residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 10 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to Rural Community Transportation (RCT) for services provided to the residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 11 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) to assist the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging in providing services to older Vermonters and residents of the City of Newport for the ensuing year and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 12 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$4,818) to support Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. a non-profit 501-C3 organization, to assist in providing Psychiatric Mental Health Services to residents of Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 13 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500) to support Umbrella, Inc. in providing services to residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 14 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. to provide services to residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 15 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to the Orleans County Historical Society to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House Museum and its educational programs for the residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 16 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to ConnectABILITIES, formally Orleans County Citizens Advocacy, for the purpose of supporting programs and activities which seek to provide support, advocacy, and community connections for individuals with developmental disabilities in the City of Newport and Orleans County and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
<p>Article 17 Shall the City of Newport, Vermont appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to assist the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal shelter with its commitments to rescuing, providing care for, and finding homes for unwanted pets in the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?</p>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>

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