

WARNING

City of Newport, Vermont

Special City Meeting

November 3, 2026

The legal voters of the City of Newport, County of Orleans, State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main St., in said City of Newport on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, beginning at 8:00 am, at which time the polls will open, until 7:00 pm, at which time the polls will close, to act on the following article to be voted by Australian Ballot.

The legal voters of the City of Newport, County of Orleans, State of Vermont, are further notified and warned that a public informational hearing to explain and discuss the Australian Ballot Article set forth below will be held on Monday, November 2, 2026 beginning at 6:00 pm, at the Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main St., in said City of Newport. The public may attend the informational hearing in person or remotely at the following link.

Video Link: <https://meet.google.com/vhw-bkjt-uzz>

Or dial: (US) +1 414-909-6961 PIN: 411 712 844#

ARTICLE TO BE VOTED BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

Article 1

Shall the voters of the City of Newport approve an amendment to the City's Charter, dated September 21, 2026, containing the following sections?

§ 7-1. Establishment of City

§ 7-2. [Transitional provisions relating to the governance of the Towns of Newport and Derby; the City of Newport and the process for acceptance of the charter; § 2 of No. 273 of the Laws of 1917.]

§ 7-3. City boundaries and corporate powers

§ 7-4. Form of government and voter qualifications

§ 7-5. Warning and convening of annual meeting

§ 7-6. Election, term, appointment, recall and removal of City Officers

§ 7-7. Mayor and Council Members as City Council

§ 7-8. Powers and duties of the Mayor

§ 7-9. Mayoral approval and Council Members reconsideration of vetoed actions

§ 7-10. Police Services and Fire Protection Services

§ 7-11. Board of Civil Authority and Board of Abatement

§ 7-12. City Clerk

§ 7-13. City Treasurer

§ 7-14. City Assessor

§ 7-15. Powers and duties of the City Council

§ 7-16. Water and sewer systems

§ 7-17. Sale, purchase or lease of City owned property

§ 7-18. City expenditures
§ 7-19. Assessment of taxes on grand list
§ 7-20. Revenues credit and appropriations
§ 7-21. [Transitional provisions related to the financial obligations of the Villages of Newport and West Derby; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 31.]
§ 7-22. Bonds of City officers
§ 7-23. [Transitional provisions related to the financial assets and liabilities of the Villages of Newport and West Derby; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 33.]
§ 7-24. [Transitional provisions related to the financial liabilities and assets of the Towns of Newport and Derby; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 35.]

§ 7-25. [Transitional provisions related to the books and records of the Town of Newport; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 36.]
§ 7-26. [Transitional provisions related to the books and records of the Town of Derby; 1917 Acts and Resolves No. 273, § 37.]
§ 7-27. Public schools and school property
§ 7-28. City Manager
§ 7-29. [Transitional provisions related to effective date.]
§ 7-30. Harbor Commission
§ 7-31. Severability

Copies of the Charter Amendment in its entirety are available for inspection or pick-up 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

The legal voters of the City of Newport are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said Special Meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Dated and Posted at the City of Newport, Vermont, in the County of Orleans, State of Vermont

This 21st Day of September, 2026

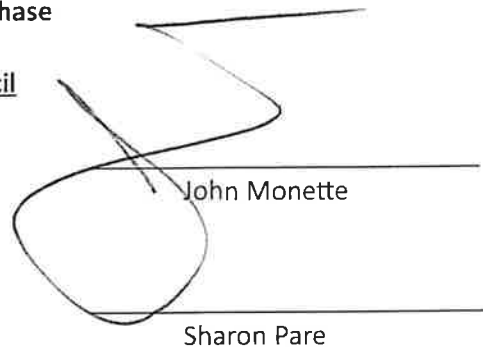
Mayor

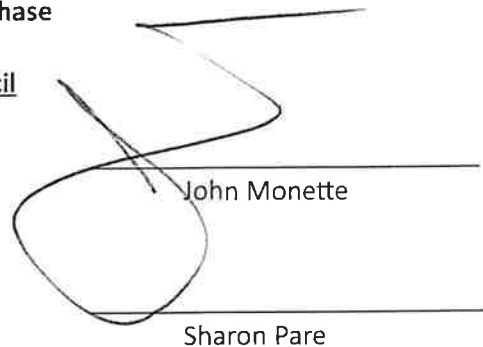
Rick Ufford-Chase

City Council

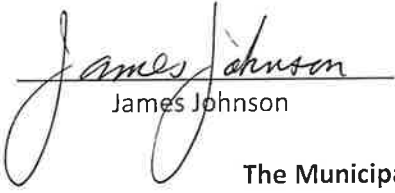

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Andrew Touchette


John Monette


Sharon Pare

City Clerk – Attest, received for record this 21st day of September, 2026


James Johnson

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