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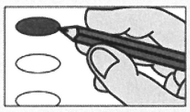
General Election
November 8, 2016
Jamestown

Precinct 1502
Congressional District 1
Senate District 13
Representative District 74



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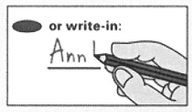

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Presidential Electors For:

- ○ **Donald J. Trump** President / **Michael R. Pence** Vice President — REPUBLICAN
- ○ **Hillary Clinton** President / **Tim Kaine** Vice President — DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Gary Johnson** President / **Bill Weld** Vice President — Libertarian
- ○ **Jill Stein** President / **Ajamu Baraka** Vice President — Green
- ○ **"Rocky" Roque De La Fuente** President / **Michael Steinberg** Vice President — American Delta
- ○ **Write-in**

Representative in Congress
District 1
Two Year Term
Vote for 1

- ○ **Harold Russell Taub** REPUBLICAN
- ○ **David N. Cicilline** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Write-in**

Senator in General Assembly
District 13
Two Year Term
Vote for 1

- ○ **M. Teresa Paiva-Weed** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Sav Rebecchi** Independent
- ○ **Write-in**

Representative in General Assembly
District 74
Two Year Term
Vote for 1

- ○ **Rebecca Schiff** REPUBLICAN
- ○ **Deborah L. Ruggiero** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Write-in**

Town Moderator
Two Year Term
Vote for 1

- ○ **John A. Murphy** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Write-in**

Town Council
Two Year Term
Vote for any 5

- ○ **Blake A. Dickinson** REPUBLICAN
- ○ **Kristine Sandra Trocki** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Eugene B. Mihaly** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Michael G. White** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Mary E. Meagher** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Write-in**
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School Committee
Four Year Term
Vote for any 3

- ○ **Agnes C. Filkins** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Dorothy S. Strang** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Sally F. Schott** DEMOCRAT
- ○ **Write-in**
- ○ **Write-in**
- ○ **Write-in**

State Questions

1. STATE CONSTITUTIONAL APPROVAL

Approval of an act authorizing state-operated casino gaming at "Twin River-Tiverton" in the Town of Tiverton

Section 22 of Article VI of the Constitution

Shall an act be approved which would authorize a facility owned by Twin River-Tiverton, LLC, located in the Town of Tiverton at the intersection of William S. Canning Boulevard and Stafford Road, to be licensed as a pari-mutuel facility and offer state-operated video-lottery games and state-operated casino gaming, such as table games?

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

2. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE

Restoration of ethics commission jurisdiction over General Assembly members

Section 8 of Article III and Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution

Section 8 of Article III of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 8. Ethics commission - Code of ethics. - The general assembly shall establish an independent non-partisan ethics commission which shall adopt a code of ethics including, but not limited to, provisions on conflicts of interest, confidential information, use of position, contracts with government agencies and financial disclosure. The assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the members appointed shall be required for the adoption for every rule or regulation. All elected and appointed officials and employees of state and local government, of boards, commissions and agencies shall be subject to the code of ethics. The ethics commission shall have the authority to investigate alleged violations of the code of ethics, including acts otherwise protected by Article VI, Section 5, and to impose penalties, as provided by law;. ~~and the~~Any sanction issued against any party by the ethics commission shall be appealable to the judicial branch as provided by law. The commission shall have the power to remove from office officials who are not otherwise subject to impeachment, or expulsion as provided by Article VI, Section 7.

Section 5 of Article VI of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 5. Immunities of general assembly members. - The persons of all members of the general assembly shall be exempt from arrest and their estates from attachment in any civil action, during the session of the general assembly, and two days before the commencement and two days after the termination thereof, and all process served contrary hereto shall be void. For any speech in debate in either house, no member shall be questioned in any other place, except by the ethics commission as set forth in Article III, Section 8.

Approval of the amendments to Section 8 of Article III and Section 5

State Questions

Questions 3 - 7
(Chapter 142 - Public Laws 2016)

Shall the action of the General Assembly, by an act passed at the January 2016 session, authorizing the issuance of bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes of the state for the capital projects and in the amount with respect to each such project listed below (Questions 3 - 7) be approved, and the issuance of bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes authorized in accordance with the provisions of said act?

3. VETERANS HOME BONDS - $27,000,000

For the construction of a new Veterans Home and renovations of existing facilities.

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

4. LEVERAGING HIGHER EDUCATION TO CREATE 21ST CENTURY JOBS BONDS - $45,500,000

To make capital investments in higher education-related projects, to be allocated as follows:

(a) University of Rhode Island College of Engineering $25,500,000
(b) University of Rhode Island Affiliated Innovation Campus Program $20,000,000

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

5. PORT INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS - $70,000,000

For port infrastructure projects, to be allocated as follows:

(a) Port of Davisville Infrastructure at Quonset $50,000,000
(b) Port of Providence Infrastructure $20,000,000

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

6. GREEN ECONOMY BONDS - $35,000,000

For environmental and recreational purposes, to be allocated as follows:

(a) Historic State Park Development Program $4,000,000
(b) State Land Acquisition Program $4,000,000
(c) State Bikeway Development Program $10,000,000
(d) Brownfield Remediation and Economic Development $5,000,000
(e) Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program $3,000,000
(f) Local Recreation Development Matching Grant Program $5,000,000
(g) Local Land Acquisition Matching Grant Program $4,000,000

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

Local Questions

QUESTIONS 8 - 17 AMENDMENTS TO THE JAMESTOWN TOWN CHARTER

Duly Adopted by the Jamestown Town Council on the 19th day of July, 2016

8. (Amends Article II, The Town Council, § 206 – Special Meetings)

Shall the Charter be amended to ensure that Special Meetings held by the Town Council fully comply with the current relevant state laws on open meetings?

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

9. (Amends Article II, The Town Council, § 216 – Procedure for Adopting Ordinance)

Shall the Charter be amended to modify the Town's procedure to publish an ordinance to allow for expanded notification to the public by publication of ordinance amendments on the Town's website?

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

10. (Amends Article III, Town Administrator, § 301 – Appointments and Qualifications)

Shall the Charter be amended to modify the qualifications of a Town Administrator candidate to include requirements for consistency in the hiring practice?

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

11. (Amends Article IV, Administrative Departments, § 404 – Tax Assessor)

Shall the Charter be amended to modify the qualifications of a Tax Assessor candidate to include requirements for consistency in the hiring practice?

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

12. (Amends Article IV, Administrative Departments, § 405 – Board of Assessment Review)

Shall the Charter be amended to delete party designation requirements for Board of Assessment Review candidates?

- ○ **Approve**
- ○ **Reject**

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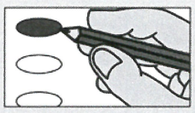

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13. (Amends Article IV, Administrative Departments, § 406 – Town Moderator)

Shall the Charter be amended to modify the replacement of the Town Moderator by the Town Council should a vacancy occur during a Moderator's term of office?

- ⬭ **Approve**
- ⬭ **Reject**

14. (Amends Article IV, Administrative Departments, § 422 – Library Trustees)

Shall the Charter be amended to modify the Charter by removing the reference to the Library Trustees as it is no longer relevant?

- ⬭ **Approve**
- ⬭ **Reject**

15. (Amends Article V, Schools, § 503 – Vacancies)

Shall the Charter be amended to revise the replacement of a School Committee member to include the next highest vote getter upon a vacancy occurring during a term of office?

- ⬭ **Approve**
- ⬭ **Reject**

16. (Amends Article VIII, Miscellany, § 805 – Elected Officials)

Shall the Charter be amended to replace the obsolete term of ambulance with emergency medical service?

- ⬭ **Approve**
- ⬭ **Reject**

17. (Amends Article X, Boards, Commissions and Committees, § 1002 – Membership and Terms)

Shall the Charter be amended to provide an exception to the term limit provisions for appointments to allow the retention of a key committee member with specific qualifications?

- ⬭ **Approve**
- ⬭ **Reject**