

# SPECIMEN BALLOT

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**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
UXBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS  
MAY 23, 2023**

*Jully Y. Cote*  
TOWN CLERK

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name and address on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<b>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b> Vote for ONE	<b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b> Vote for ONE	<b>THAYER FUND TRUSTEES</b> 3 years Vote for ONE
<b>BRIAN M. PLASKO</b> 14 Wall Street <input type="radio"/>	<b>DAVID P. TAPSCOTT</b> 608 Elmwood Avenue Candidate for re-election <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b> Vote for not more than TWO	<b>TOWN MODERATOR</b> Vote for ONE	<b>THAYER FUND TRUSTEES</b> 2 years Vote for ONE
<b>BENJAMIN W. CASPER</b> 102 Conestoga Drive <input type="radio"/>	<b>KEVIN J. KUROS</b> 18 Yankee's Way <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>DAVID FRANCIS SHINNICK</b> 97 Chamberlain Road <input type="radio"/>	<b>MARK PAUL WICKSTROM</b> 6 Court Street <input type="radio"/>	<b>TRUSTEE OF SOLDIERS MEMORIAL - VETERANS</b> 3 years Vote for ONE
(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b> Vote for not more than TWO	<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b> Vote for ONE	<b>TRUSTEE OF SOLDIERS MEMORIAL - NON-VETERANS</b> 3 years Vote for ONE
<b>ARLENE H. LISCINSKY</b> 4 Adams Court <input type="radio"/>	<b>DEBORAH STARK</b> 61 Elmshade Drive <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>JONATHAN J. ROTA</b> 15 Maple Street <input type="radio"/>	<b>LIBRARY TRUSTEES</b> Vote for not more than TWO	<b>KELLY MARIE HERRERA</b> 29 Fair Street Candidate for re-election <input type="radio"/>
(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	<b>MARY CATHERINE ANDERSON</b> 19 King Street Candidate for re-election <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	<b>SYLVIA ANN FIELDS</b> 21 Summerfield Drive Candidate for re-election <input type="radio"/>	
	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	
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**BALLOT QUESTIONS**

**Question 1:**

Shall this Town approve the charter amendment proposed by the May 10, 2022 Spring Annual Town Meeting, as summarized below?

This proposed amendment would establish a merit and fitness principle in the appointment and promotion of Town officials and employees. A YES vote would add language to the Charter mandating that all appointments and promotions be made based on merit and fitness, with such standards to be demonstrated by examination and other evidence. A NO vote would make no change to Charter regarding Town appointments and promotions.

YES   
NO

**Question 2: Appointment of Human Resources Professional**

Shall this Town approve the charter amendment proposed by the May 10, 2022 Spring Annual Town Meeting, as summarized below?

This proposed amendment would add to the list of positions appointed by the Town Manager the office of Human Resources Professional. A YES vote would amend the Charter to specifically authorize the Town Manager to appoint a Human Resources Professional. A NO vote would make no change to the Town Charter.

YES   
NO

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## BALLOT QUESTIONS CONTINUED

### Question 3: Online Posting of Town Documents and Notices

Shall this Town approve the charter amendment proposed by the May 10, 2022 Spring Annual Town Meeting, as summarized below?

This proposed amendment would mandate that certain documents be posted to the Town website, including: minutes of town meetings and board and committee meetings, proposed budgets, public hearing notices, rules and regulations, bylaws, vacancies in Town offices, certain organizational plans, and lists of Town officers. A YES vote would amend the Charter to require Town officials to post to the Town website the specified documents and notices. A NO vote would make no changes to the Charter or current posting requirements.

YES

NO

### Question 4: Deadline for Annual Town Meeting Citizen Petitions

Shall this Town approve the charter amendment proposed by the October 25, 2022 Fall Town Meeting, as summarized below?

This proposed amendment would change the last date to file citizens petitions with the Board of Selectmen from the 60th day prior to the date of the Annual Town Meeting, to the last business day at least 60 days prior to the Annual Town Meeting. This question would not affect Special Town Meetings. A YES vote would clarify that citizen petitions for the Annual Town Meeting must be filed no later than the last business day at least 60 days prior to the meeting. A NO vote would make no change to Charter or the deadline for submitting citizen petitions for the Annual Town Meeting.

YES

NO

### Question 5: Use of Gender In Town Charter

Shall this Town approve the charter amendment proposed by the October 25, 2022 Fall Town Meeting, as summarized below?

This proposed amendment would replace current text stating that words importing the feminine gender shall include the masculine gender, and vice-versa, with text stating that words importing a specific gender shall include any gender. A YES vote would amend the Charter to establish that references to a specific gender shall include any gender. A NO vote would make no changes to the meaning of gender references in the Charter.

YES

NO

### Question 6: Minimum Membership on Multi-Member Regulatory Bodies

Shall this Town approve the charter amendment proposed by the October 25, 2022 Fall Town Meeting, as summarized below?

This proposed amendment would insert a definition of a "regulatory body", require that regulatory bodies of the Town consist of at least five members, and increase the Board of Health from 3 to 5 members. A YES vote would amend the Charter by inserting a definition of the term "regulatory body", set at 5 the minimum number of regulatory board members, and increase the size of the Board of Health from 3 to 5 members. A NO vote would make no changes to Charter with regard to the size of regulatory bodies and would not increase the size of the Board of Health.

YES

NO

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