

SPECIMEN BALLOT

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ARTICLE 2 - ZONING AMENDMENTS CONTINUED

Amendment No. 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2, as proposed by the Hooksett Planning Board, for the Hooksett Zoning Ordinance to rezone Map 25, Lots 18-3A, 18-3B and 18-3B-2 from Performance Zone (PZ) to Medium Density Residential (MDR)?

The purpose of Amendment No. 2 is to rezone parcels on Lindsay Road, which were zoned PZ but received variances for residential use.

YES NO

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Amendment No. 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3, as proposed by the Hooksett Planning Board, for the Hooksett Zoning Ordinance to amend Article 25, Enforcement, by striking the second sentence of Section E., which reads "Failure of the Code Enforcement Officer to act within ten (10) days shall be considered approval"?

The purpose of Amendment No. 3 is to remove the 10-day limit for enforcement of establishments operating without a Certificate of Occupancy.

YES NO

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Amendment No. 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4, as proposed by the Hooksett Planning Board, for the Hooksett Zoning Ordinance to adopt a new article, Keeping of Chickens?

The purpose of Amendment No. 4 is to adopt a new article to allow and regulate the keeping of chickens in MDR, URD, and HDR.

YES NO

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Amendment No. 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5, as proposed by the Hooksett Planning Board, for the Hooksett Zoning Ordinance to amend Article 8, Conservation Subdivision?

The purpose of Amendment No. 5 is to amend Article 8, Conservation Subdivision in regard to minimum lot size, review procedure, open space requirements and other changes.

YES NO

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Amendment No. 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6, as proposed by the Hooksett Planning Board, for the Hooksett Zoning Ordinance to adopt a new article, Solar Energy Systems?

The purpose of Amendment No. 6 is to adopt a new article to allow and regulate solar energy systems on residential and non-residential properties.

YES NO

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Amendment No. 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7, as proposed by the Hooksett Planning Board, for the Hooksett Zoning Ordinance to amend Article 4, Low Density Residential District - LDR, Section A.5.; Article 5, Medium Density Residential District - MDR, Section A.6.; and Article 5-A, Urban Density Residential District - URD, Section A.3. to include "contractors office" as an allowed home occupation under section (a) and include in section (d) "and no outdoor storage of materials or equipment"?

The purpose of Amendment No. 7 is to amend Home Occupations in the LDR, MDR, and URD to allow contractors' offices.

YES NO

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ARTICLES

Article 3

Shall the town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, and other appropriations voted separately totaling \$17,206,349.00. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$17,154,480.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town meeting, or by law or the Town Council may hold one special meeting, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Estimated tax rate impact \$6.39. Recommended by Town Council (7-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (10-0).

YES NO

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Article 4

To see if the town will vote to approve the reconstruction of the Town Roads at a cost not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 payable over a term of 5 years with an annual appropriation of \$300,000.00, and further to raise and appropriate \$300,000.00 for the first year's payment. In each of the following 4 years the appropriation of \$300,000.00 will be contained in the operating budget and the default budget. 3/5th majority vote required for passage. Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.19. Recommended by Town Council (8-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (9-1).

YES NO

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Article 5

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00 to be added to the Public Works' Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.13. Recommended by Town Council (8-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (9-1).

YES NO

207

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Article 6

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$194,293.00 for the salaries, overtime, benefits, including uniforms and equipment to hire two (2) new full-time police officers.

YES NO

201

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Fiscal Year	Salaries	Benefits	Estimated Increase
2016-2017	\$109,293.00	\$85,000.00	\$194,293.00

Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.12. Recommended by Town Council (7-1), Recommended by Budget Committee (7-3).

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

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BALLOT 2 OF 2



**OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
HOOKSETT, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MAY 10, 2016**

T. Gaudin
TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 7

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$170,000.00** to be added to previously established Capital Reserve Funds and to apportion the sum among several funds as listed below:

Automated Collection Equipment	\$ 30,000.00
Drainage Upgrades	50,000.00
Parks & Recreation Facilities Development	15,000.00
Town Building Maintenance	<u>75,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 170,000.00

YES

NO

211
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Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.11. Recommended by Town Council (8-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (7-3).

Article 8

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$70,000.00** to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds and to apportion the sum among several funds as listed below:

Fire Apparatus	\$ 50,000.00
Air Packs & Bottles	<u>20,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 70,000.00

YES

NO

249
103

Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.04. Recommended by Town Council (8-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (9-1).

Article 9

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$60,000.00** to purchase a Live Bottom Trailer for the Recycling and Transfer Division of Public Works with said funds to come from the Solid Waste Disposal Special Revenue Fund. No amount to be raised from taxation. Recommended by Town Council (8-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (10-0).

YES

NO

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Article 10

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$40,000.00** to be added to previously established Capital Reserve Funds and to apportion the sum among several funds as listed below.

Revaluation	\$ 30,000.00
Master Plan	<u>10,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 40,000.00

YES

NO

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Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.03. Recommended by Town Council (8-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (7-3).

Article 11

To see if the town will vote to establish a Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for installing and maintaining sidewalks and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$25,000.00** to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend from said fund. Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.02. Recommended by Town Council (7-1), Not Recommended by Budget Committee (4-6).

YES

NO

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Article 12

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of **\$25,000.00** to be placed in the Conservation Fund, said funds to come from the sale of timber on conservation land. No amount to be raised from taxation. Recommended by Town Council (8-1), Not Recommended by Budget Committee (2-4).

YES

NO

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Article 13

To see if the town will vote to establish a Conservation Land Improvements Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for infrastructure improvements on Conservation easements or property and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000.00** to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Town Administrator as the agent to expend from said fund. Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.01. Recommended by Town Council (7-1), Recommended by Budget Committee (6-4).

YES

NO

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Article 14

To see if the town will vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds with said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the town's general fund.

<u>Name of Capital Reserve</u>	<u>Established</u>	<u>Balance</u>
HVAC System Development (Library)	2003	\$ 15.06
Plow Dump Trucks	2012	19.00
Police Computer System Development	2003	13.93
Road Impact Fee Traffic Study	2009	33,111.59
Town Wide Computer Development	2006	23.84
Town Wide Opti-Com System	1996	0.00
Upgrading Diesel Tank & Fuel Dispenser	2012	9,550.39

YES

NO

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Recommended by Town Council (8-0), Recommended by Budget Committee (10-0).

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 15

Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment to Section 5.9 to read as follows: "Independent compliance and financial audits shall be made of all accounts of the Town at least annually, and more frequently if deemed necessary by the Council. Such audits shall be conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and other such procedures which may be necessary under the circumstances by certified public accountants experienced in municipal accounting. The results of such audits shall be made public. ~~At least once every five (5) years the Council shall request that such audits be made by Certified Public Accountants other than those involved in such audits during any of the previous four years.~~ Council shall request a new auditing firm perform an Independent Audit of the Town every five (5) years. An annual report of the Town's ~~business~~ audit for the preceding year shall be made available to the public not later than sixty days after the close of the fiscal year."?

YES

NO

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Article 16

Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment to Section 9.1 to read as follows: "Each year the Town Administrator shall prepare a town report which shall include: (1) a statement of the past year's financial activities and a comparative statement of the previous and present budget; and (2) a review of all major Council actions, including a summary of ordinances enacted; (3) Town vital statistics; and (4) annual reports of Town boards and departments; ~~(5) the prior year's audited financial statements; (6) a summary of the updated capital improvement plan with estimated costs; and (7) the warrant from the annual meeting.~~ There shall be a section, which presents any actions, which are in progress or pending before Town boards, or departments and the Town Council. The effective date of the report shall be at the end of the fiscal year and the report shall be made available to the voters of the town no later than (60) days after the close of the fiscal year."?

YES

NO

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Article 17

Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment to Sections 1.6; 3.1; 5.3A, B, C; 5.4F; 9.2B; and 10.2B, as printed in the Voters' Guide and summarized below?

The purpose of this amendment is to revise the referenced Sections of the Town of Hooksett Charter to change the annual meeting from May to March, and to conform to other statutory requirements associated therewith.

YES

NO

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YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING