

**Specimen Ballot**  
**for the**  
**Town of Bar Harbor**  
**Special Town Meeting**  
**November 3, 2020**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Complete the oval next to your choice, like this: ●.  
Completing the YES oval means you are in favor.  
Completing the NO oval means you are opposed.  
If you make a mistake, please request a new ballot.

- Yes**    **Article 2 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to 1. Clarify the recording of recommendations on Town Warrants and Ballots, 2. Change the Warrant Committee's responsibilities to consideration of the Municipal Budget and Land Use Ordinance amendments, and 3. Remove review and recommendations of Citizen Initiative and Referendum from the Town Council, Warrant Committee, School Committee and Planning Board, as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 7 to 2.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 6 to 1.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends rejection by a vote of 15 to 4.*

- Yes**    **Article 3 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to allow for the use of electronic voting as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 9 to 0.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 7 to 0.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends adoption by a vote of 18 to 0.*

- Yes**    **Article 4 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to provide a process that allows the Town Council to amend the Land Use Ordinance when an amendment is procedural or minor in that it seeks to correct, modify, or reconcile inconsistencies, contradictions, and errors or to bring the land use ordinance into compliance with statutes, after it has first been recommended by the Town Planner, discussed at Public Hearings and recommended by a supermajority of both the Planning Board and Town Council, as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 7 to 2.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 6 to 1.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends rejection by a vote of 15 to 3.*

- Yes**    **Article 5 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to change the language in Articles IV and V of the Charter that would: 1. clarify the Town Manager's residency requirement; 2. ensure that human resource procedures are compliant with State and Federal laws; 3. clarify the role of a Town Planner; 4. allow for additional legal counsel for the Town, if needed, and; 5. establish rotating terms for School Committee members; as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 9 to 0.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 7 to 0.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends adoption by a vote of 19 to 0.*

- Yes**    **Article 6 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to remove specific salaries for Town Council and School Committee listed in the Charter and provide for annually establishing salaries as part of the budget voted on at Town Meeting as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 9 to 0.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 7 to 0.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends adoption by a vote of 18 to 1.*

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

- Yes**    **Article 7 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to establish a new process for the development and adoption of the annual budget that provides for both the Town Council and Warrant Committee to conduct their reviews concurrently as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 9 to 0.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 7 to 0.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends rejection by a vote of 15 to 4.*

- Yes**    **Article 8 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to establish an election process for the Warrant Committee that is consistent with the other elected bodies of the Town and set the Warrant Committee membership number at 15 from 22 as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 8 to 1.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 6 to 1.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends rejection by a vote of 16 to 3.*

- Yes**    **Article 9 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to establish that the due date for filing of nomination papers be not less than 60 days before the election in order to be consistent with the State of Maine as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 9 to 0.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 7 to 0.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends adoption by a vote of 19 to 0.*

- Yes**    **Article 10 - CHARTER MODIFICATION:** Shall the Town of Bar Harbor approve the charter modification to require that a Public Hearing be held for any proposed Initiative or Referendum as presented in the Town Meeting Warrant?
- No**

*Recommendations:*

*The nine-member Charter Commission recommends adoption, by a vote of 9 to 0.*

*The seven-member Town Council recommends adoption by a vote of 7 to 0.*

*The 22-member Warrant Committee recommends adoption by a vote of 16 to 3.*

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**