

# POLLING LOCATIONS



In addition to Early and Mail voting options, Newport will have a total of nine (9) polling locations open on Election Day, Nov. 8th. Please be sure to confirm your polling location by visiting [Vote.RI.Gov](http://Vote.RI.Gov). Newport's polling locations are listed below along with Precinct, Ward, and Senate and Representative District information.

POLLING LOCATION	PRECINCT	WARD	REP.	SEN.
Fenner Hall	2101	2	73	12
Pell Elementary	2102	1	73	13
Park Holm Sr. Center	2103	1	73	13
St. Peter's Church	2104	2	73	13
St. John's Church	2105	1	75	13
Donovan Manor	2106	2	75	13
Thompson Middle School	2107	2	75	13
Newport Public Library	2108	3	75	13
Rogers HS Gymnasium	2109	3	75	13

For further questions about How, When, and Where to vote, please visit [CityofNewport.com/VoterCentral](http://CityofNewport.com/VoterCentral) or contact the Canvassing Office at (401) 845-5386

## POLLING HOURS

### EARLY VOTING AT CITY HALL

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday  
Oct. 19th - Nov. 7th (polls close at 4 p.m.)

### ELECTION DAY

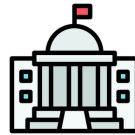
Tuesday, Nov. 8th, 2022

Polls open for the General Election from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Please check your polling location and bring a Photo I.D. to the polls.

## THREE EASY WAYS TO VOTE



AT  
HOME  
BY MAIL



EARLY  
AT CITY  
HALL\*



ELECTION  
DAY  
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### ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY, NOV. 8TH, 2022  
POLLS OPEN 7 A.M. UNTIL 8 P.M.

\*Early voting at City Hall available  
weekdays Oct. 18 - Nov. 7th

\*\*Mail Ballots must be deposited in an authorized Drop Box or  
at the Board of Elections no later than 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8th

If you've **moved or changed your name** since  
the last election, please contact the **Canvassing  
Office at (401) 845-5356** or email  
[CSpringer@CityofNewport.com](mailto:CSpringer@CityofNewport.com).

To view your voting location, party affiliation, and  
sample ballot, please visit the City's website at  
[www.CityofNewport.com](http://www.CityofNewport.com) and click on the Voter  
Information icon.



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## The City of Newport VOTER GUIDE

ON PROPOSED LOCAL  
BALLOT QUESTIONS 4-10

Tuesday, November 8th, 2022  
General Election



*In addition to voting in local, state, and federal races, Newport voters will also be asked to weigh in on a number of Local Ballot questions, beginning with Question 4.*

## QUESTION 4

### Cannabis Licenses & Sales

#### How it appears on the ballot

AUTHORIZE STATE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES FOR CANNABIS BUSINESSES IN THE CITY OF NEWPORT (The Rhode Island Cannabis Act, Chapters 031 and 032 – Public Laws 2022) (Resolution of the Newport City Council adopted July 13, 2022)

Shall new cannabis related licenses for businesses involved in the cultivation, manufacture, laboratory testing and for the retail sale of adult recreational use cannabis be issued in the City of Newport?

#### Explanation

If approved, this ballot question would allow businesses involved in the cultivation, manufacturing, testing, and retail sales of adult recreational marijuana to seek State licenses to be located in Newport.

If the ballot question is rejected, recreational marijuana sales would not be allowed in Newport.

#### **TIP:** Know before you go!

Did you know that you can download and print a FREE personalized ballot before you head to the polls? [Simply visit Vote.RI.Gov](https://www.vote.ri.gov) and enter your address to see the ballot in its entirety.

## QUESTION 5

### School Regionalization

#### How it appears on the ballot

AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Local Acts 057 and 058 - Acts and Resolves of 2022) (Resolution of the Newport City Council adopted May 16, 2022)

Shall an Act passed at the 2022 session of the General Assembly entitled 'An act authorizing the City of Newport and Town of Middletown to establish a regional school district and providing for state aid for school housing costs at school housing reimbursement rates for regional school districts which, including incentives, may exceed 80% of debt service for expenditures eligible for state aid' be approved?

#### Explanation

If approved, this ballot question would authorize the creation of a new Regional School District with the Town of Middletown. The new district would be formed on July 1, 2024 and would be overseen by a single administration along with an elected 7-member regional School Committee and a 7-member regional Finance Committee.

If approved, the new district would be eligible to recoup 80% or more on qualifying expenses through State funds, with total education costs divided between the City and Town on a per-pupil basis.

For more information on School Regionalization, please visit [www.Middletown-Newport.us](https://www.Middletown-Newport.us) or scan the code to the right:



## QUESTIONS 6-10

### Amendments to the Charter

#### How they appear on the ballot

*In addition to Questions 4 and 5, several revisions to the City Charter have also been proposed.*

Question 6 pertains to the City Council's quorum procedure as outlined in Section 2-18 as follows:

SECTION 2-18 – QUORUM; PROCEDURE.

*A simple majority of all the members of the Council shall constitute a quorum. All members of the Council present must vote on any question coming before it, unless they disclose a personal interest therein and are excused by vote of the remaining members, or a barred by law. ADD: "unless they recuse themselves on the question before the Council on ethical or other legal grounds."*

Question 7 amends Section 3-2 pertaining to Candidate Signatures to reflect state law and current requirements.

Question 8 amends Section 4-6, pertaining to the Canvassing Authority, in order to reflect State law.

Question 9 amends Section 4-7, related to the Trust and Investment Commission to update its mission and charge.

Question 10 amends the requirement for the Oath of Office and removes reference to "Providence Plantations" as part of the State's official name

*Every officer, elected or appointed, shall take and subscribe the following Any elected or appointed individual assuming a city role or job, may be required to take and subscribe to the following oath of office: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of such office to the best of my ability," and shall file such oath, duly certified by the officer before whom it was as a public record in the office of the City Clerk.*