

Precinct ID 0734
 Congressional District 2
 Representative District 17
 Voting District 34
 Senate District 27
 Council/Ward District 2/1

OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF CRANSTON

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2010

Ballot 1



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1. To vote:

Complete the arrow(s) pointing to your choice(s) with a single bold line, like this .

2. To vote for a write-in candidate:

Print the name of the person on the blank line labeled "Write-In" for the office and complete the arrow pointing to your write-in choice like this .

3. To cast a straight party vote:

Complete the arrow pointing to the party of your choice in the straight party section of the ballot. If you cast a straight party vote and also vote for an individual candidate or candidates for a certain office on the ballot, the straight party vote will not be counted for that office and only the individual candidate or candidates voted for will be counted for that office.

<p>STRAIGHT PARTY To vote a "Straight Ticket" complete the arrow pointing to the party of your choice.</p> <p> MODERATE </p> <p> DEMOCRAT </p> <p> REPUBLICAN </p>	<p>ATTORNEY GENERAL FOUR Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Christopher H. LITTLE MODERATE </p> <p>Peter F. KILMARTIN DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Erik B. WALLIN REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Keven A. McKENNA Independent </p> <p>Robert E. RAINVILLE Independent </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>GENERAL TREASURER FOUR Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Gina M. RAIMONDO DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Kernan F. KING REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>SENATOR IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 27 TWO Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Hanna M. GALLO DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Eileen G. GROSSMAN REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 17 TWO Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Robert B. JACQUARD DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Write-in </p>	<p>MAYOR TWO Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Richard R. TOMLINS DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Allan W. FUNG REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>COUNCIL - CITY WIDE TWO Year Term Vote for 3</p> <p>Anthony J. LUPINO DEMOCRAT </p> <p>James E. DONAHUE REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Mario ACETO DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Brian BUONGIOVANNI REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Michael J. FARINA DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Leslie Ann LUCIANO REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>COUNCIL WARD 2 TWO Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Emilio L. NAVARRO DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Gloria M. MARTIN REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>NON-PARTISAN SCHOOL COMMITTEE CITYWIDE TWO Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Frank S. LOMBARDI </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>NON-PARTISAN SCHOOL COMMITTEE WARD 2 TWO Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Stephanie A. CULHANE </p> <p>Deborah C. GREIFER </p> <p>Write-in </p>
<p>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS DISTRICT 2 TWO Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>James R. LANGEVIN DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Mark S. ZACCARIA REPUBLICAN </p> <p>John O. MATSON Independent </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>GOVERNOR FOUR Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Kenneth J. BLOCK MODERATE </p> <p>Frank T. CAPRIO DEMOCRAT </p> <p>John F. ROBITAILLE REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Lincoln D. CHAFEE Independent </p> <p>Joseph M. LUSI Independent </p> <p>Ronald ALGIERI Independent </p> <p>Todd GIROUX Independent </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR FOUR Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>Elizabeth H. ROBERTS DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Robert P. VENTURINI Hour With Bob </p> <p>Robert J. HEALEY, JR. Cool Moose </p> <p>Write-in </p> <p>SECRETARY OF STATE FOUR Year Term Vote for 1</p> <p>A. Ralph MOLLIS DEMOCRAT </p> <p>Catherine Terry TAYLOR REPUBLICAN </p> <p>Write-in </p>	<p>STATE AND LOCAL QUESTIONS ON BACK</p> <p>LOCAL QUESTIONS CONTINUED ON SEPARATE BALLOT</p>	

STATE QUESTIONS

1. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE (CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE STATE)
(Section 1 of Article XIV of the Constitution)

Approval of the amendment to the Title, Preamble and Section 3 of Article III of the Rhode Island Constitution set forth below will have the effect of changing the official name of the State from "State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" to "State of Rhode Island":

Question 1 APPROVE ←

Question 1 REJECT ←

Full text of amendment for Question 1

The Title of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

The Preamble of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

We, the people of this State which state shall henceforth be known as the state of Rhode Island, grateful to Almighty God for the civil and religious liberty which He hath so long permitted us to enjoy, and looking to Him for a blessing upon our endeavors to secure and to transmit the same, unimpaired, to succeeding generations, do ordain and establish this Constitution of government.

Section 3 of Article III of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 3. Oath of general officers.
- All general officers shall take the following engagement before they act in their respective offices, to wit: You being by the free vote of the electors of this state of Rhode Island, elected unto the place of do solemnly swear (or, affirm) to be true and faithful unto this state, and to support the Constitution of this state and of the United States; that you will faithfully and impartially discharge all the duties of your aforesaid office to the best of your abilities, according to law: So help you God. [Or: This affirmation you make and give upon the peril of the penalty of perjury.]

2. HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES BONDS \$78,000,000
(Chapter 23 - Public Laws 2010)

Approval of this question will allow the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed sixty-one million dollars (\$61,000,000) for the construction of a new chemistry building at the University of Rhode Island, and seventeen million dollars (\$17,000,000) for the renovation and construction of an addition to the Art Center at Rhode Island College.

Question 2 APPROVE ←

Question 2 REJECT ←

STATE QUESTIONS

3. TRANSPORTATION BONDS \$84,700,000
(Chapter 23 - Public Laws 2010)

Approval of this question will authorize the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed eighty million dollars (\$80,000,000) to match federal funds and provide direct funding for improvements to the state's highways, roads and bridges and four million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$4,700,000) to purchase and/or rehabilitate buses for the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority's bus fleet.

Question 3 APPROVE ←

Question 3 REJECT ←

4. OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION BONDS \$14,700,000
(Chapter 23 - Public Laws 2010)

Approval of this question will authorize the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for the purpose of acquiring title to all or a portion of land in and around the former Rocky Point Park for the purpose of establishing the same as a public park, and three million two hundred thousand dollars (\$3,200,000) for the purpose of transferring title to 25 India Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903 from the department of transportation to the department of environmental management, with the funds to be used to reimburse the US federal highway administration for the market value of the property preserving the same as open space and for recreation, and to further issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of improvements and renovations to Fort Adams State Park in the city of Newport dedicated to the preservation and public accessibility of the Fort.

Question 4 APPROVE ←

Question 4 REJECT ←

LOCAL QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS 5 - 11 AMENDMENTS TO CRANSTON HOME RULE CHARTER

5. SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROCEDURE

(Resolution of the City Council No. 2010-25 adopted April 26, 2010)

"Shall an amendment to Chapter 11.02 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston providing for amendment to Section 11.02 be approved:

Sec. 11.02 School committee procedure.

The school committee at its first meeting in January of each odd numbered year shall elect one of its number to be chairperson for the ensuing two years. In the absence of the chairperson it shall choose a chairperson for that meeting from among the members present. It shall fill any vacancy in the office of chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. All meetings of the school committee shall be open to the public and no action shall be taken by the committee except in a public meeting and the vote of its members on all motions except those of a purely procedural character shall be by roll call and the yeas and nays shall be entered in the official record of the committee proceedings; provided that the school committee may by the affirmative vote of five of its members authorize consideration in a closed meeting of but not a vote upon any matter within its jurisdiction. **Every collective bargaining agreement negotiated by the Cranston School Committee must be presented to the Cranston City Council for ratification by a majority vote of the full City Council.**

Question 5 APPROVE ←

Question 5 REJECT ←

6. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
(Resolution of the City Council No. 2010-42 adopted May 24, 2010)

"Shall an amendment to Chapter 14.17 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston providing for amendment to Section 14.17 be approved:

Sec. 14.17 Collective bargaining. Collective bargaining shall be conducted by the corporate authorities as designated by state law. The mayor shall meet with the council in executive session before the start of union negotiations in order to review the city's proposals and strategy and to seek the council's advice on the city's bargaining position.

No collective bargaining agreement between the City of Cranston and any labor organization shall become effective unless and until ratified by the Cranston City Council by Ordinance. Each contract, before submission to the City Council, shall contain a fiscal impact analysis for each fiscal year of the proposed agreement, and at least one public hearing shall be held prior to City Council ratification of any contract. The proposed agreement and fiscal impact analysis must be made public, including posting on the City's website, at least 72 hours prior to a vote for ratification.

Any collective bargaining agreement which fails to comply with the posting, hearing or ratification requirements of this Section will be null and void and unenforceable.

Question 6 APPROVE ←

Question 6 REJECT ←

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LOCAL QUESTIONS

7. **SCHOOL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS**
(Resolution of the City Council No. 2010-43 adopted May 24, 2010)

"Shall an amendment to the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston providing for a new Section 11.02.1 be approved:

Sec. 11.02.1 School Collective Bargaining Agreements.
All collective bargaining agreements negotiated between the School Committee and any labor organization must contain a fiscal impact analysis for each fiscal year of the proposed agreement, which must include all anticipated step increases in addition to any contractual pay increases and cannot be voted on by the School Committee until at least one public hearing is held prior to the Committee's vote on the agreement. The proposed agreement and fiscal impact analysis must be made public, including posting on the School Department's website, at least 72 hours prior to a scheduled vote.

No collective bargaining agreement shall become effective unless and until ratified by a majority vote of all members of the Cranston City Council by Ordinance. Each contract, before submission to the City Council, must contain a fiscal impact analysis for each fiscal year of the proposed agreement, and at least one public hearing shall be held prior to City Council ratification of any contract. The proposed agreement and fiscal impact analysis must be made public, including posting on the City's website, at least 72 hours prior to a vote for ratification.

Any collective bargaining agreement which fails to comply with the posting, hearing or ratification requirements of this Section will be null and void and unenforceable.

Question 7 APPROVE ←

Question 7 REJECT ←

LOCAL QUESTIONS

8. **ELECTIVE OFFICERS - MAYOR AND COUNCIL**
(Resolution of the City Council No. 2010-44 adopted May 24, 2010)

"Shall an amendment to Section 2.03 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston providing changing the term of the Mayor from two to four year term, and retaining the eight year limit be approved?"

Sec. 2.03 Elective officers - Mayor and Council.
"Beginning with the general city election of ~~2002~~ 2012 and every ~~two~~ four years thereafter the mayor shall be elected for a term of ~~two~~ four years. There shall also be elected at each general city election for a term of two years a council of nine members, one from each of six wards, and three council members city-wide.

(a) No person who has been duly sworn as mayor effective with the election of November ~~2002~~ 2012 shall be elected to the office of mayor for more than ~~four~~ two consecutive ~~two~~ four year terms.

(b) No person who has been duly sworn as a member of the city council effective with the election of November, 1994 shall be elected to said office for more than five consecutive two year terms. The city shall be divided into six wards in such a manner that each ward shall consist of a compact and contiguous portion of the city and that all wards shall contain as nearly as possible an equal number of inhabitants as determined by the most recent federal decennial census, and shall request that such plan be enacted into law."

Question 8 APPROVE ←

Question 8 REJECT ←

LOCAL QUESTIONS

9. **VOTER INITIATIVE**
(Resolution of the City Council No. 2010-45 adopted May 24, 2010)

"Shall an amendment to Chapter 3 Section 3.23 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston providing for amendment to Section 3.23 to require clear and affirmative wording of any initiative to avoid voter confusion, be approved?"

Sec. 3.23 Voter initiative.
"The right to enact ordinances, other than operating budget ordinances and capital budget ordinances, is hereby granted to the qualified electors of the city by initiative. The initiative shall be exercised in the following manner:

(a) Whenever twenty percent of the qualified electors of the City petition the city council to enact a proposed ordinance it shall be the duty of the city council to consider such proposed ordinance within ninety days of receipt. Receipt for the purposes of this section shall be defined as the introduction of said petition at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the city council.

(b) The signatures on any initiative petition provided for in this section may be on separate papers; provided however, that such separate paper shall contain a full and correct copy of the title and text of the proposed ordinance and all such separate papers shall be bound together and filed as one instrument with the city clerk. To each said separate paper there shall be attached a signed statement of the circulator thereof, who shall state under oath therein that each signature appended to said paper was made in the presence of the circulator.

(c) In the event that the city council shall fail to enact such proposed ordinance without amendment, and upon the receipt of the city clerk of a notarized referendum petition signed by an additional five percent of the qualified electors of the city, the city council shall submit the proposed ordinance to a vote of the people of the city at the next general election; provided, however, that said ballot referendum petition must be filed at least sixty days prior to the date fixed for such general election.

(d) The ballots used when voting upon such proposed ordinance shall include an ordinance title which shall state the purpose or intent of such ordinance, the question, 'Shall the ordinance pass?' and shall set forth on separate lines the words 'Yes' and 'No'.

(e) If a majority vote of the electors voting on the proposed ordinance shall vote in favor thereof, such ordinance shall thereupon become a valid binding ordinance of the city; an ordinance so adopted shall not be altered or modified by the city council within one year after adoption of the ordinance at said general election.

(f) Any initiative submitted must be phrased in such a manner that a yes vote means yes and a no vote means no.

(g) The chief purpose of the question must be plainly stated and concise and consist of no more than one hundred and twenty five words.

(h) The city council may by ordinance make such other further regulations for carrying out the provisions of this section as are not inconsistent herewith."

Question 9 APPROVE ←

Question 9 REJECT ←

LOCAL QUESTIONS CONTINUED ON BACK

LOCAL QUESTIONS

10. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE CITY TREASURER

(Resolution of the City Council No. 2010-46 adopted May 24, 2010)

"Shall an amendment to Chapter 7 Section 7.05 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston providing for amendment to Section 7.05 be approved?"

Sec. 7.05 Powers and duties of the city treasurer.

a) The city treasurer shall be the custodian of all moneys belonging to the city and, subject to the provisions of specific trusts, of all moneys held in trust by the city. The city treasurer shall hold the moneys of the city in such separate funds as may be required by law, ordinance or rules and regulations of the director of finance. The city treasurer shall collect all taxes and assessments on behalf of the city and the fees for such licenses are assigned to the treasurer for collection by ordinance or order of the director of finance. It shall be the city treasurer's duty to deposit city moneys in the treasurer's custody in banks or other depositories under the conditions prescribed by law for the deposit of public moneys ~~and with the approval of the Board of Investment Commissioners~~. It shall further be the duty of the city treasurer to invest the surplus moneys of special funds such as those related to bond retirement and pensions ~~and including the general funds~~, not needed for immediate disbursement, in securities legal for such purposes and subject to the approval of said Board of Investment Commissioners, and to credit the interest or dividends earned thereby to the fund concerned. The city treasurer shall keep such records and accounts of the several funds in the treasurer's charge as may be required by law, ordinance or the rules and regulations of the director of finance, and shall render an annual report of the transactions of the treasurer's division at such time as the director of finance may require. The city treasurer shall be responsible for the disbursement of all city funds; provided that, except in the case of trust funds where the treasurer is bound by the terms of the trust, the treasurer shall pay out no money belonging to the city except by check based upon a payroll, warrant or voucher signed by the head of the department, board, commission, office or agency concerned and approved by the director of finance.

b) There shall be a board of investment commissioners consisting of the mayor, the chairperson of the committee in charge of budgetary matters of the city council, the finance director, and the city treasurer, all ex officio and three (3) additional members appointed by the mayor who shall not be officers or employees of the city. The appointed members of the board shall be selected on the basis of their knowledge of, and expertise in, investments and finance, and shall serve for a term of three (3) years. Of the three (3) members first appointed by the mayor, one shall serve a term of one year, one shall serve a term of two (2) years and one shall serve a term of three (3) years. The board shall have the control and management of all sinking funds established for the redemption of any bonds or notes issued by the city, or for the redemption of any bonds held by the city.

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The board shall hold any fire insurance fund, waterworks depreciation and extension fund, or any additional funds which the city council may by ordinance from time to time prescribe. ~~It shall further be the responsibility of the board to direct the investment of all unencumbered and un-appropriated funds of the city government, including but not limited to all bequests, devises and trusts, except as otherwise provided by the governing instrument]~~"

c) Any investments in the General Fund are to be reported to the Finance Committee at the next scheduled meeting."

Question 10 APPROVE ←

Question 10 REJECT ←

11. CHARTER AMENDMENTS
(Resolution of the City Council No. 2010-47 adopted May 24, 2010)

"Shall an amendment to Chapter 15 Section 15.10 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston providing for amendment to Section 15.10 be approved:"

Sec. 15.10 Charter amendments. Amendments to this Charter shall be proposed by the city council and adopted by the people of the city in the manner provided by the constitution of the State of Rhode Island.

Commencing in calendar year 2018 and every ten (10) years thereafter, a Charter Review Commission shall be appointed to review the Cranston Home Rule Charter and to make recommendations to the council on proposed amendments."

Question 11 APPROVE ←

Question 11 REJECT ←