

OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
TOWN OF FOSTER
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012



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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.

STRAIGHT PARTY To vote a "Straight Ticket" complete the arrow pointing to the party of your choice.	REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS DISTRICT 2 TWO Year Term Vote for 1	TOWN COUNCIL TWO Year Term Vote for any 5
DEMOCRAT ←	James R. LANGEVIN DEMOCRAT ←	Taylor M. DILLON DEMOCRAT ←
MODERATE ←	Michael G. RILEY REPUBLICAN ←	Pamela J. FONTAINE REPUBLICAN ←
REPUBLICAN ←	Abel G. COLLINS Independent ←	Roger Leroy HAWES DEMOCRAT ←
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR:	Write-in ←	Neal C. WHITELAW REPUBLICAN ←
President Barack OBAMA Vice President Joe BIDEN DEMOCRAT ←	SENATOR IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 21 TWO Year Term Vote for 1	Joseph D. CARDILLO DEMOCRAT ←
President Mitt ROMNEY Vice President Paul RYAN REPUBLICAN ←	Scott M. POLLARD DEMOCRAT ←	Patricia A. FOUNTAIN REPUBLICAN ←
President Gary JOHNSON Vice President James P. GRAY Libertarian ←	Nicholas D. KETTLE REPUBLICAN ←	John L. LEWIS, JR. DEMOCRAT ←
President Virgil GOODE Vice President Jim CLYMER Constitution ←	Write-in ←	Denise L. DiFRANCO REPUBLICAN ←
President Ross C. "Rocky" ANDERSON Vice President Luis J. RODRIGUEZ Justice ←	REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 40 TWO Year Term Vote for 1	Todd A. SHOLLY DEMOCRAT ←
President Peta LINDSAY Vice President Yari OSORIO Socialism and Liberation ←	Lauri A. ARCHAMBAULT DEMOCRAT ←	Robert O. HOHLER REPUBLICAN ←
President Jill STEIN Vice President Cheri HONKALA Green ←	Write-in ←	Michael E. DILLON Independent ←
Write-in ←	TOWN MODERATOR TWO Year Term Vote for 1	Joseph D. CAREY Independent ←
Write-in ←	Robert A. BOYDEN REPUBLICAN ←	Write-in ←
SENATOR IN CONGRESS SIX Year Term Vote for 1	TOWN CLERK TWO Year Term Vote for 1	Kathleen TEGAN SWANSON ←
Sheldon WHITEHOUSE DEMOCRAT ←	Lorraine NEARY Independent ←	Shelley D. PEZZA ←
B. Barrett HINCKLEY, III REPUBLICAN ←	Carol Lyons SHOLLY Independent ←	Ronald F. CERVASIO ←
Write-in ←	Write-in ←	Write-in ←
Write-in ←	TOWN SERGEANT TWO Year Term Vote for 1	Michael COGGESHALL DEMOCRAT ←
Write-in ←	Write-in ←	Write-in ←
Write-in ←	TAX BOARD OF REVIEW SIX Year Term Vote for 1	Lynne STENDER RIDER DEMOCRAT ←
Write-in ←	Write-in ←	Write-in ←
Write-in ←	STATE QUESTIONS ON BACK LOCAL QUESTIONS ON SEPARATE BALLOT	Write-in ←

VOTE BOTH FRONT AND BACK OF BALLOT

STATE QUESTIONS

1. STATE CONSTITUTIONAL APPROVAL
(APPROVAL OF AN ACT AUTHORIZING STATE-OPERATED CASINO GAMING AT TWIN RIVER IN THE TOWN OF LINCOLN)
 (Section 22 of Article VI of the Constitution)

Shall an act be approved which would authorize the facility known as "Twin River" in the town of Lincoln to add state-operated casino gaming, such as table games, to the types of gambling it offers?

Question 1 **APPROVE** ←

Question 1 **REJECT** ←

2. STATE CONSTITUTIONAL APPROVAL
(APPROVAL OF AN ACT AUTHORIZING STATE-OPERATED CASINO GAMING AT NEWPORT GRAND IN THE CITY OF NEWPORT)
 (Section 22 of Article VI of the Constitution)

Shall an act be approved which would authorize the facility known as "Newport Grand" in the city of Newport to add state-operated casino gaming, such as table games, to the types of gambling it offers?

Question 2 **APPROVE** ←

Question 2 **REJECT** ←

3. HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES BONDS
\$50,000,000
 (Chapter 241 - Public Laws 2012)

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 fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) for renovations and modernization of academic buildings at Rhode Island College including renovation, upgrade and expansion of health and nursing facilities on the campus of Rhode Island College.

Question 3 **APPROVE** ←

Question 3 **REJECT** ←

4. VETERANS' HOME BONDS
\$94,000,000
 (Chapter 241 - Public Laws 2012)

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 ninety-four million dollars (\$94,000,000) for the construction of a new Veterans' Home and renovations to existing facilities. Any funding amount from federal sources received for these purposes will be used to reduce the amount of borrowed funds.

Question 4 **APPROVE** ←

Question 4 **REJECT** ←

STATE QUESTIONS

5. CLEAN WATER FINANCE AGENCY BONDS
\$20,000,000
 (Chapter 241 - Public Laws 2012)

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 twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000) to be leveraged with federal and state capitalization grants to finance wastewater infrastructure projects and eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) to be leveraged with federal and state capitalization grants to finance drinking water infrastructure projects.

Question 5 **APPROVE** ←

Question 5 **REJECT** ←

6. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BONDS
\$20,000,000
 (Chapter 241 - Public Laws 2012)

Approval of this question will allow the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes for environmental and recreational purposes to be allotted as follows:

(a) **Narragansett Bay and Watershed Restoration**
 ..\$4,000,000
 Provides funds for activities to restore and protect the water quality and enhance the economic viability and environmental sustainability of Narragansett Bay and the State's watersheds. Eligible activities include: nonpoint source pollution abatement, including stormwater management; nutrient loading abatement; commercial, industrial and agricultural pollution abatement; and riparian buffer and watershed ecosystem restoration.

(b) **State Land Acquisition - Open Space**..\$2,500,000
 Provides funds for the purchase of land, development rights and conservation easements in Rhode Island. This program acquires recreational and open space lands for the State of Rhode Island in accordance with the Rhode Island Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, Land Protection Plan, and the Rhode Island Greenspace 2000 plan.

(c) **Farmland Development Rights**..\$4,500,000
 Provides funds for the purchase of agricultural development rights to active farms in Rhode Island. The State purchases the development rights to farms to eliminate the economic pressure on farmers to sell properties for residential and commercial development. The Agricultural Land Preservation Commission accepts and evaluates farmland applications for these funds.

(d) **Local Land Acquisition Grants**..\$2,500,000
 Provides funds for grants to municipalities, local land trusts and non-profit organizations to acquire fee-simple title, development rights, or conservation easements to open space in Rhode Island. The grants provide funding up to fifty percent (50%) of the purchase price for land, surveys, appraisals and title costs. The grant applications are reviewed and evaluated by the Governor's Natural Heritage Preservation Commission according to the program guidelines.

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STATE QUESTIONS

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(e) **Local Recreation Grants**
 ..\$5,500,000
 Provides grants to municipalities for acquisition, development, or rehabilitation of local recreational facilities. These grants provide funding assistance up to fifty percent (50%) of the project costs. All grant applications are evaluated and ranked by the State Recreation Resources Review Committee.

(f) **Historic/Passive Parks**
 ..\$1,000,000
 Provides grants to municipalities for the renovation and development of historic and passive recreation areas. The grants provide funding assistance up to ninety percent (90%) of the project costs. All grant applications are evaluated and ranked by the State Recreation Resources Review Committee.

Question 6 **APPROVE** ←

Question 6 **REJECT** ←

7. AFFORDABLE HOUSING BONDS
\$25,000,000
 (Chapter 241 - Public Laws 2012)

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 twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) for affordable housing.

Question 7 **APPROVE** ←

Question 7 **REJECT** ←

LOCAL QUESTIONS ON SEPARATE BALLOT

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LOCAL QUESTIONS

**QUESTIONS 8 - 12
 AMENDMENTS TO
 FOSTER
 HOME RULE CHARTER**
 (Resolution of the Town Council
 adopted July 26, 2012)

**8.
 Article II, Section 2.01(c), Town
 Council**

Shall the Foster Home Rule
 Charter be amended as follows;
Composition, Election and
 Terms
New Section

Add Section 2.01 (c):
 Following the election of Council
 Members in the November General
 Election and until such a time as
 the newly elected council takes
 office as provided in Section 2.01.b,
 the agenda of council meetings and
 decisions of the Council shall be
 limited to the approval of payroll
 warrants, general warrants and
 other such obligations that routinely
 come before the Council and which
 are required for the day to day
 operation of the town or to provide
 for the citizens of the town during
 natural disasters, civil disturbances
 and other similar emergencies.
 This section shall not apply if all
 five incumbent council members
 are re-elected in the General
 Election.

Question 8 APPROVE ←

Question 8 REJECT ←

**9.
 Article II, Section 2.10, Town
 Council**

Shall the Foster Home Rule
 Charter be amended as follows;
Independent Audit

The Town Council shall provide for
 an annual financial audit to be
 conducted in accordance with State
 and Federal guidelines.

Question 9 APPROVE ←

Question 9 REJECT ←

**10.
 Article III, Section 3.04 Moderator**

Shall the Foster Home Rule
 Charter be amended as follows;
Supervision of Elections

The Moderator shall have the duty
 of supervising all elections in
 accordance with the provisions of
 the general election laws. District
 Clerks and Moderators shall be
 appointed by the Board of
 Canvassers in accordance with
 Title 17-11-6 of Rhode Island
 General Laws.

Question 10 APPROVE ←

Question 10 REJECT ←

LOCAL QUESTIONS

**11.
 Article X, Section 10.14
 Financial Procedures**

Shall the Foster Home Rule
 Charter be amended as follows;
Lapse of Appropriation

Add Section 10.14
 Once a capital appropriation has
 been deemed abandoned, any
 funds remaining from the
 appropriation shall be returned to
 the Capital Reserve Fund.

Question 11 APPROVE ←

Question 11 REJECT ←

**12.
 Article X, Section 10.17
 Financial Procedures**

Shall the Foster Home Rule
 Charter be amended as follows;
Land Use Conveyance Tax

The Town Council shall set aside,
 as part of each annual budget no
 less that 100% of all funds
 collected pursuant to the Land Use
 Conveyance Tax which are
 retained by the Town of Foster as
 provided by State Law. Except as
 provided for in Section 10.17.a, the
 funds shall be used exclusively by
 the Foster Land Trust for the
 acquisition and preservation of
 open space pursuant to the
 legislative Charter of said Land
 Trust.

**Article X, Section 10.17(a)
 Financial Procedures**

Shall the Foster Home Rule
 Charter be amended as follows;
Land Use Conveyance Tax (a)
New Section

Add Section 10.17(a)
 The operating and administrative
 budget of the Foster Land Trust
 shall be approved by the voters at
 the annual Financial Town Meeting.
 The approved amount shall be
 reimbursed to the Town by the
 Foster Land Trust from the funds
 designated in section 10.17.

Question 12 APPROVE ←

Question 12 REJECT ←