

**CITY OF ESSEX JUNCTION  
OFFICIAL RESULTS  
ANNUAL MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2026**

Number of Voters on Checklist	8162
Number of Early/Absentee Ballots	405
Number of Voters checked in on Checklist	1439
Number of defective ballots	0
Total Number of Voted Ballots (includes early/Absentee)	1439

**ARTICLE 1.** Shall the voters approve an annual General Fund Budget in the amount of \$12,921,469 for fiscal year July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, \$11,891,682 of which is to be levied in taxes against the City Grand List?

Yes: 998      No: 414      Blank Votes: 27

**ARTICLE 2.** Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the City of Essex Junction in an amount not to exceed Thirteen Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$13,960,000.00) be issued under Chapter 53 of Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated, payable from the City's general fund, derived from the taxation of real property for a period not to exceed thirty years, and subject to reduction by available grants-in-aid or other funding sources, be issued to finance the cost of constructing a public works facility (the Project)?

Yes: 990      No: 414      Blank Votes: 35

**ARTICLE 3.** Should the compensation paid to the City Council members change from \$2,500.00 a year to \$3,600.00 a year starting July 1, 2027.

Yes: 827      No: 589      Blank Votes: 23

**ARTICLE 4.** Shall the voters approve an amendment to the City of Essex Junction Charter that changes the City Council President's annual compensation to be twenty-five percent (25%) more than the annual compensation paid to the other City Council members? (strikethrough represents a deletion, and underline represents an addition):

Subchapter 2: Governance Structure  
Section 205. Compensation -

(a)(1) The President of the Council shall be paid an annual compensation that is twenty-five percent (25%) more than the annual compensation paid to the other Council members.

Yes: 696      No: 717      Blank Votes: 26

**ARTICLE 5.** Shall the voters approve an amendment to the City of Essex Junction Charter where compensation paid to the City Council members adjusts annually, effective July 1 of each year, in a manner consistent with any percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for the Northeast Region, as published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics for the most recent calendar year? (strikethrough represents a deletion, and underline represents an addition):

Subchapter 2: Governance Structure  
Section 205. Compensation

(a) Compensation paid to the Council members shall be ~~set by the voters at the annual meeting; adjusted annually, effective July 1 of each year, by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for the Northeast Region, as published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics for the most recent calendar year,~~ with a minimum of . . .

Yes: 779      No: 628      Blank Votes: 32

**ARTICLE 6.** Shall the voters approve an amendment to the City of Essex Junction Charter that states that the City Council shall appoint a Charter Review Committee, at least once every 12 years, to conduct a comprehensive review of the City of Essex Junction Charter? (strikethrough represents a deletion, and underline represents an addition):

Subchapter 12: AMENDMENT OF CHARTER AND INITIATIVES  
Section 1202. Charter Review Committee

The City Council shall appoint a Charter Review Committee at least once every twelve (12) years for the purpose of conducting a comprehensive review of this charter. A majority of the Committee’s members shall be residents of the City who are not members of the City Council.

Yes: 1178 No: 213 Blank Votes: 48

**ARTICLE 7.** Shall the voters authorize a planning loan through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for a project in the Water Enterprise Fund to be used for service line material identification and nonlead service line validation as required by federal drinking water regulations in an amount not to exceed \$892,771 to be financed over a period not to exceed ten years?

Yes: 1244 No: 180 Blank Votes: 15

**ARTICLE 8.** Shall the City of Essex Junction voters approve a one-cent Social Services Contributions tax to support social service organizations, such amount being reasonably necessary and for the support of programs to benefit City of Essex Junction residents?

Yes: 957 No: 460 Blank Votes: 22

**ARTICLE 9.** Shall the voters authorize payment of real property taxes in equal installments on March 15 and September 15 by physical delivery or electronic payment to the tax collector by close of business on that date?

Yes: 1081 No: 290 Blank Votes: 68

**ARTICLE 10.** To elect City officers required by law including: two City Council member (three-year terms) and one Library Trustee (five-year term)?

City Council	2 Three-year terms	Marcus Certa	649
		Raj Chawla	847*
		Bethany Clark	857*
		Write-ins	15
		Blank Votes	510
Library Trustee	1 Five-year term	Linda Hasan	1236*
		Write-ins	4
		Blank Votes	199
*Elected			

Attest:   
Susan McNamara-Hill, City Clerk