

WARNING
CITY OF ESSEX JUNCTION
INFORMATIONAL HEARING APRIL 1, 2024 AND
ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 9, 2024

Informational Hearing – Online Only

Monday, April 1, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Available options to watch or join the meeting:

- **WATCH:** the meeting will be live-streamed on Town Meeting TV.
- **JOIN ONLINE:** [Join via Zoom](#).
- **JOIN CALLING:** *(toll free, audio only)* 1(888) 788-0099, Meeting ID: 944 6429 7825; Passcode: 635787
- **MODERATOR:** All instructions for conduct of the meeting will be guided by the Moderator.

If you have difficulty accessing the hearing, please call or email admin@essexjunction.org.

Under the City of Essex Junction Charter, voting in the Annual City Meeting is entirely by Australian ballot. A public informational hearing on the Articles to be voted on at Annual Meeting will be held according to 17 V.S.A. § 2680. **No voting will take place during this hearing.** If you wish to make a public comment but do not have the ability to comment remotely during the meeting, please email your comment(s) to the City Manager at admin@essexjunction.org.

AGENDA will include:

- **Discussion of Article 1 – Adopting the budget**
- **Discussion of Article 2 – Veteran’s Exemption**
- **Discussion of Article 3 – Economic Development Fund**
- **Discussion of Article 4 – Next annual meeting date**
- **Announcement of offices up for election in Article 5**
- **Public to be heard (to be moderated)**

Annual Meeting - Australian Ballot

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 – 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

The legal voters of the City of Essex Junction are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Champlain Valley Exposition in the Blue Ribbon Pavilion, 105 Pearl Street in the City of Essex Junction on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 to transact the following business by Australian ballot. Said voting by Australian ballot to begin at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

ARTICLE 1. Shall the voters approve an annual General Fund Budget in the amount of \$12,004,124 for fiscal year July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, \$11,110,346 of which is to be levied in taxes against the City Grand List?

ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters of the City of Essex Junction set the property tax exemption for disabled veterans at Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), as allowed by 32 § 3802(11)(C), said exemption to remain in effect for future taxable years until amended or repealed by the voters?


ARTICLE 3. Shall the voters approve extending the one cent Capital Improvement tax (also known as Economic Development tax), as established in 2016, to be reconsidered at annual meeting in 2027.

ARTICLE 4. Shall the voters approve holding the 2025 Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at which time the voters shall vote by Australian ballot for the election of officers, the voting on the City budget, and any other business included in the warning for the meeting?

ARTICLE 5. To elect City officers required by law including: Moderator (one-year term), two City Council members (three-year terms), and two Library Trustee (one five-year term and one three year term)?


Dated this 28th day of February 2024 by the Essex Junction City Council.


Raj Chawla, President



Amber Thibeault, Vice President


Marcus Certa, Clerk


Andrew Brown


Elaine Haney

Received for record this 28th day of February, 2024 in the records of the City of Essex Junction.


Susan McNamara-Hill, Clerk