

Warning
Village of Essex Junction
Notice of Special Election
Re: City of Essex Junction Charter
November 2, 2021

The legal voters of the Village of Essex Junction are hereby notified and warned of a special election to take place on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, between the hours of 7:00a.m. and 7:00p.m. to vote on the following article by Australian ballot. The polling place is at Essex High School, 2 Educational Drive, Essex Junction, VT. The purpose of the special election is to consider whether or not to adopt a new municipal charter that would transform the Village into an independent city, and no longer be a part of the Town of Essex.

The question for consideration is:

Article 1: Shall the Village of Essex Junction adopt the proposed Charter for the City of Essex Junction, Vermont dated September 14, 2021

The charter for the City of Essex Junction is a comprehensive update to the current Village of Essex Junction municipal charter, changing Essex Junction from a Village to a City. It includes:

- Transitional provisions
- Incorporation and the Powers of the City
- Governance Structure
- Other Elected Offices
- City Meetings
- Ordinances
- City Manager
- Boards and Commissions
- Administrative Departments
- Budget Process
- Taxation
- Capital Improvements
- Amendment of Charter and Initiatives
- General

An official copy of the proposed charter is on file and available for public inspection at the Clerk's Office at 81 Main Street, Essex Junction, VT. Copies will be made available upon request. The Clerk's Office is open Monday-Friday, from 7:30a.m.-4:30p.m.

A copy of the charter can be found online here: <https://www.essexjunction.org/proposed-charter>.

Voter Registration: If you are not already registered in Essex, you may print and fill out this application <https://sos.vermont.gov/media/nesb43yw/2017-voter-app.pdf> and either mail the completed form to 81 Main Street or leave in drop box at Town Office. New Vermont residents must provide proof of residence (see instructions on form). You can also register online at <https://olvr.vermont.gov/> or at the polling place

for same day registration. All that is required for voter registration is your VT driver's license number, or if you do not have a VT driver's license, the last four digits of your social security number.

Early/Absentee Ballots: Ballots will be mailed to all active registered voters in the Village of Essex Junction prior to the date of the special election. If you do not receive a ballot by October 13, notify the clerk's office by calling 879-0413, option 6, or emailing clerk@essex.org. The clerk's office is able to contact voters if returned ballots are defective for certain reasons and allow the voter to make corrections. This process can be expedited by providing an e-mail address on file with the clerk's office. Please stop by, call, or e-mail the clerk's office to add your e-mail on file.

For questions concerning voter registration, early/absentee voting, how to get help with marking off ballots, obtaining new ballots if an error is made, how to get help if there is a problem on election day, or to contact someone if you believe that any of your rights to vote have been violated, please call the town clerk's office at 879-0413, option 6, or e-mail clerk@essex.org, or visit the clerk's office at 81 Main Street, Essex Junction, VT between the hours of 7:30a.m. to 4:30p.m., Monday-Friday.

Dated at Essex Junction, Vermont, this 28th day of September 2021 by the Village Board of Trustees

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Andrew Brown, Village President

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