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ELECTION, TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020

To the inhabitants of the Town of Durham, the County of Strafford, New Hampshire.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River High School, Multipurpose Room, located on Coe Drive in said Durham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, the 10th day of March 2020 (the polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM) to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1:

To bring in your votes for three (3) Councilors (3-year terms); two (2) Durham Public Library Board of Trustees (3-year terms); one (1) Moderator (2-year term); one (1) Supervisor of the Checklist (6-year term); one Supervisor of the Checklist (4-year term); one (1) Town Clerk-Tax Collector (3-year term); one (1) Town Treasurer (3-year term); one (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds (3-year term).

ARTICLE 2:

Are you in favor of amending Article 3.11 of the Town of Durham Charter to provide that a revision or codification of the town's ordinances shall be prepared on an as needed basis, rather than requiring it to be prepared every 10 years?

ARTICLE 3:

Are you in favor of amending Article 4.3 of the Town of Durham Charter to remove the requirement that hearings on the reprimand or removal of the Town Administrator be held in public, allowing the Town Administrator to opt for a nonpublic hearing, as provided by RSA 91-A?

ARTICLE 4:

Are you in favor of amending Article 4.5 of the Town of Durham Charter to remove the requirement that the Town Administrator convene the chairmen of the administrative committees annually, and instead allow the Town Administrator to convene the chairmen as may be appropriate?

ARTICLE 5:

Are you in favor of amending Article 4.11 of the Town of Durham Charter to clarify that the term of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector is three years?

ARTICLE 6:

Are you in favor of amending Article 5.3 of the Town of Durham Charter to require that notice of budget hearings be published in a local newspaper at least one week prior to the hearing, in addition to requiring that such notice be posted in two public places?



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ARTICLE 7:

Are you in favor of amending Article 5.12 of the Charter to increase the dollar amount of bonds which may be issued by the Town Council from \$1,000,000 to \$2,300,000? Bonds in excess of \$2,300,000 will continue to require voter approval.

ARTICLE 8:

Are you in favor of amending Article 5.15 of the Town of Durham Charter to allow for two alternate Trustees of Trust Funds?

ARTICLE 9:

Are you in favor of amending Article 6.2 of the Town of Durham Charter to clarify that the personnel plan does not apply to elected officials unless specified in the plan?

ARTICLE 10:

Are you in favor of amending Article 7.1 of the Town of Durham Charter to allow Conservation Commission members to serve on the Zoning Board of Adjustment?

ARTICLE 11:

Are you in favor of amending Article 10.10 of the Town of Durham Charter to provide that violations of the Charter are grounds for removal from office, rather than misdemeanors?

ARTICLE 12:

Are you in favor of amending Article 10.15 of the Town of Durham Charter to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity to be consistent with state law?

ARTICLE 13:

Are you in favor of amending Article 10.19 of the Town of Durham Charter to specify that all gender specific terms used in the Charter are to be construed in a gender neutral manner?

ARTICLE 14:

Are you in favor of amending Article 11.1(C) of the Town of Durham Charter to increase the number of alternates to the Parks and Recreation Committee from one to three?

ARTICLE 15:

Are you in favor of amending Article 11.1(D) of the Town of Durham Charter to allow the Town Council to appoint up to three alternate members to the Historic District Commission?

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ARTICLE 16:

Are you in favor of amending Article 11.1(I) of the Town of Durham Charter to allow for, rather than require, annual updates to the Town Council by Chairs of town committees either in person or in writing?

Given under our hands and seal this <u>27th</u> day of <u>JANUARY</u> in the year of our Lord <u>TWO</u> <u>THOUSAND TWENTY (2020)</u>.

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COUNCILORS OF DURHAM