

Elections during COVID-19

The Board of Civil Authority met on April 22nd and after a lengthy conversation decided to hold the school budget revote as close to normal as possible while taking all the precautions necessary to keep our workers and our voters safe. They are encouraging all voters to vote absentee if they do not wish to go to the polls on election day. The Clerk's office will be automatically mailing out ballots to all those who requested mailed ballots for the March 3rd election as this election is a continuation of that election. The ballots should be arriving in your mailbox around May 13th. Please be aware that City Hall is still currently closed due to the Governor's stay at home order and will open up as soon as allowed.

However due to the City Clerk's staff being furloughed, and bringing them back on payroll early increases the cost to the city, the Clerk's office is suggesting that you request a ballot by following these steps:

- 1) Go on-line and request a ballot. Visit <https://mvp.vermont.gov/>. To log in and find your voter information you will need your drivers license or last 4 digits of your social security number. Once you are logged in on the right hand side of the page is the absentee ballot information, click on the [Click Here for Online Absentee Ballot Request](#) and it will allow you to request a ballot for this election and for all elections in 2020. If you cannot log in then proceed to step 2.
- 2) If unable to log in to the MyVoterPage, then please send a request to dkinville@sburl.com to request an absentee ballot. Be sure to put down the name(s) and address that you are registered at as well as where you would like the ballot delivered to.
- 3) If you cannot do step 1 or 2, please call the office at 846-4105 to talk to a staff person. Please be aware that the office is not currently covered 100% of the time so please leave a message if no one answers. We are discouraging this option for this election only due to the furloughing of employees. If the phone calls are too much for the limited staffing that we have, we will have to call back staff from furlough, which increases the cost to the City as they will be back on payroll.

If you were mailed a ballot for the March 3rd election and had it sent to an address that you are no longer at, please send an email to dkinville@sburl.com and give us the address that you would like your ballot mailed. This is especially important to those who winter outside of Vermont and those college students who are now home.