

SPECIMEN BALLOT

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OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS
JUNE 9, 2026
PRECINCT TWO

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name and address on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

SELECT BOARD	SCHOOL COMMITTEE	BOARD OF HEALTH
for 3 years Vote for not more than 2	for 3 years Vote for not more than 2	for 3 years Vote for not more than 1
MILES F. GRANT 22 Mulberry Street	ERIK W. BAUMANN 48 Jerusalem Road	JUSTINE FREZZA 16 Holcomb Street Re-election
PAMELA ROGERS KUECHLER 78 Cedar Street	DONNA LS McKENNA 7 Teal Circle	(Write-in)
RICHARD FRANCIS TRAPILO 15 Leeward Way	(Write-in)	COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS Vote for not more than 1
(Write-in)	(Write-in)	
(Write-in)	(Write-in)	
PLANNING BOARD	SCHOOL COMMITTEE	for 3 years Vote for not more than 1
for 3 years Vote for not more than 2	for 1 year unexpired term Vote for not more than 1	LOUISE M. PONTE 15 Coe Street Re-election
KEVIN D. GRANT 63 Fort Street Re-election	MICHAEL JUSTIN SHERMAN 4 Lafayette Street	(Write-in)
SHARON MARIE SIMMONS CLANCY 5 Billy's Way Re-election	(Write-in)	HOUSING AUTHORITY Vote for not more than 1
MONA FREEDMAN PHILLIPS 18 Crescent Drive	BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS	
(Write-in)	for 3 years Vote for not more than 2	
(Write-in)	BRIAN RUSSELL WOTTON 7 Shaw Road Re-election	JACOB TYLER GALARY 8 Tanner Lane
PLANNING BOARD	MARCUS DAVID FERRO 22 Laura Lane	(Write-in)
for 2 years unexpired term Vote for not more than 1	(Write-in)	
JENNIFER ISABEL CARDOZA 386 Main Street, 1 FLR	(Write-in)	
ANDREW C. PANEK 207 Farmfield Court		
(Write-in)		

BALLOT QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1: Shall the acceptance by the Town of Fairhaven of Section 47 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws, placing the members of both the official and labor service of the Town of Fairhaven within the classified Civil Service be revoked?

Summary:

Pursuant to a ballot vote on February 2, 1953, Fairhaven police officers and Fairhaven firefighters are subject to Civil Service – Chapter 31 of Massachusetts General Laws. Acceptance of this ballot question would remove the rules and requirements of Civil Service in the hiring and administration of future police officers and firefighters. Existing officers will retain Civil Service protection as long as they occupy their current positions. Both the Administration and the Police and Fire Unions support leaving Civil Service.

YES

NO

QUESTION 2: Shall the Town of Fairhaven be allowed to assess an additional \$649,178 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of Public Safety Salaries and Wages; Fire Overtime; Community Services Salaries and Wages; Tourism Department Wages; Community Services Operating Expenses; Tourism Department Operating Expenses; Public Works Highway Wages and Education; Fairhaven Public Schools for the fiscal year beginning on July 1st, 2026?

YES

NO

QUESTION 3: Shall An Act Relative to the Charter of the Town of Fairhaven be accepted?

Summary:

The state legislature has adopted Chapter 71 of the Acts of 2026 "An Act relative to the charter of the town of Fairhaven," which provides that the proposed Charter for the Town of Fairhaven will take effect if approved by a majority of the voters at the election. If accepted, the Charter will consolidate and replace the provisions of various special acts that currently establish the government structure of the Town of Fairhaven. The Charter substantially retains the current government structure with a few exceptions. Significant changes include: roles of the Select Board and Town Administrator are clarified; the number of Planning Board members is changed from 8 to 9; the number of School Committee members is changed from 6 to 5.

YES

NO

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

