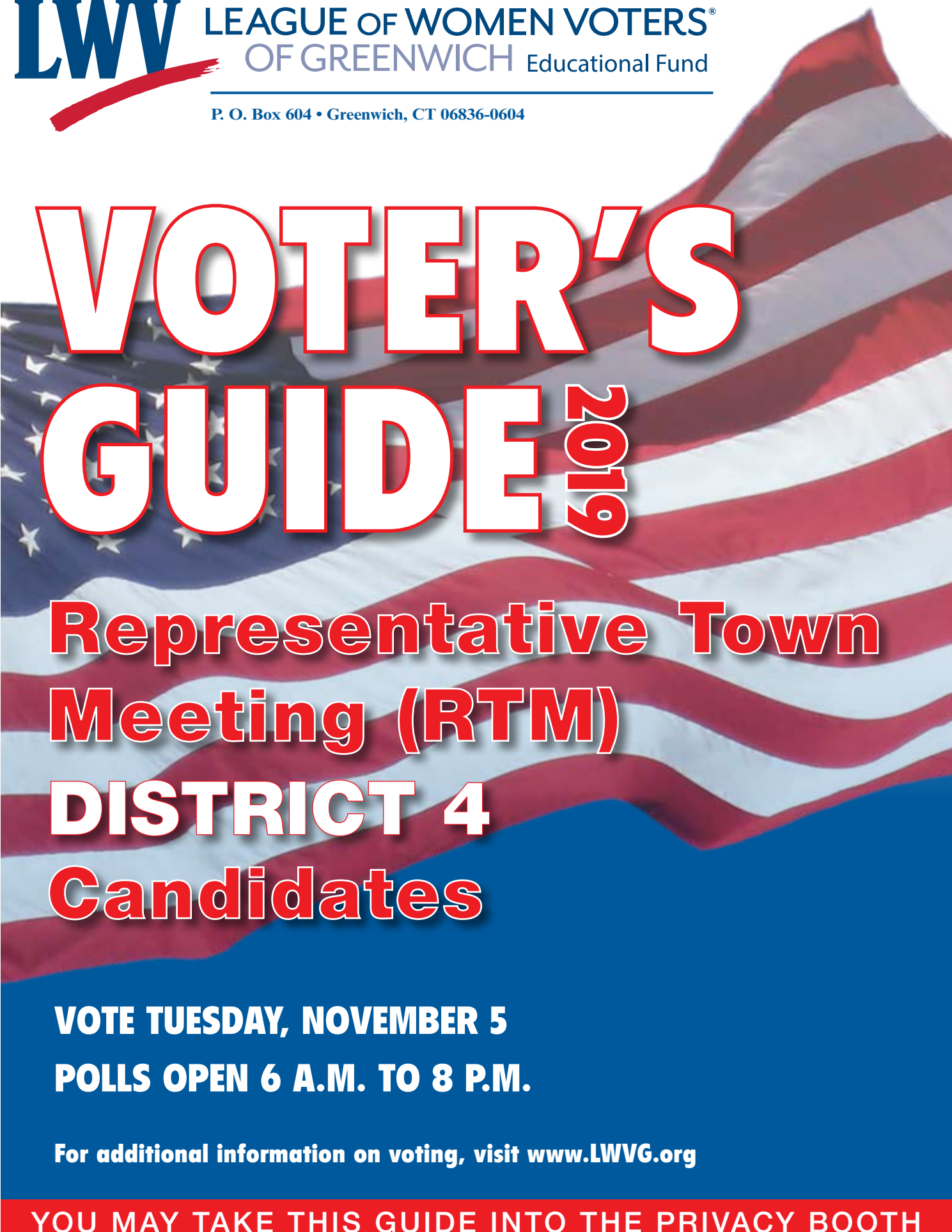




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VOTER'S GUIDE 2019

**Representative Town
Meeting (RTM)**

**DISTRICT 4
Candidates**

**VOTE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5
POLLS OPEN 6 A.M. TO 8 P.M.**

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Representative Town Meeting

2-YEAR TERM (UNSALARIED)

Candidates with no designation following their name are current RTM members who attended more than two-thirds of both the general and district meetings since the last election or since becoming an RTM member. Candidates with Petition following their name are current RTM members but have attended fewer than two-thirds of both general and district meetings since the last election or since becoming an RTM member. Candidates with P-NEW following their name are not current RTM members. Voting and attendance records of all RTM members are available for review at the Town Clerk's office in Town Hall, daily 8 a.m.-4 p.m. and on the Town website: Greenwichct.org/government/RTM.

DISTRICT 4 - Byram

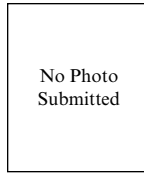
Polling Place:
New Lebanon School Gymnasium
25 Mead Avenue
Byram

Vote for 17 or Less

Javier A. Aleman
Ronald F. Carosella
Andrea J. Casson
Elizabeth J. "Liz" Eckert **P-NEW**
Robert J. McKnight, Jr.
Alex J. Popp, Jr.
Maria Madeleine Popp
Romulo E. Samaniego
Diego Sanchez
Josiane M. Schaffner-Parnell
Ryan T. Smith **P-NEW**
Samarpana Tamm
John J. Thompson **P-NEW**
J. Robert Tuthill
Donald R. Vitti
Lucy von Brachel
Bonnie Zeh

See detailed candidate information on following pages.

Aleman, Javier A.
Did not reply



Carosella, Ronald F.
20 Cliff Avenue
Greenwich 06830
Occupation: Retired - Greenwich Police Department
Biography: Born Bronx, NY. Served US Navy (1967-71). Employed USPS 3yrs. Owner/Operator Mobil Service Station, Rye, NY 6yrs. Manager Rye Ford 10 yrs. Greenwich Police Officer 27 yrs. Special Officer (1979-89) , Jan. 2017 to Present. Lives in Greenwich, 40 yrs. 2 Daughters, 2 Granddaughters. Served 1 term, missing 1 meeting.

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

I moved to Greenwich 40 years ago where I raised my two daughters. They both graduated from Greenwich Public Schools. After many years of business management, I decided to fulfill a lifelong dream and joined the Greenwich Police Dept. My experience as a Police Officer has afforded me the opportunity to meet people from all walks of life and give me a wide view of the Town I have grown to love. Greenwich has much to offer its citizens and there is always room for improvement. I hope to effect positive change for my friends and neighbors in District 4.

Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

- 1) Maintenance and improvement of infrastructure.
- 2) Excellence in schools and reduction in the Achievement Gap.
- 3) Innovative approaches to Traffic and Parking

Current RTM committee assignment: Public Works

Number of terms served on RTM: 1



Casson, Andrea J.
40 Cedar Street
Greenwich 06830
Occupation: Library Media Assistant - Glenville School
Biography: I live in Byram for with my husband, Pierre Vaz. We moved here in 1998 from Greenwich Village in NYC. Our children, Django, 22 and Raven, 20 attended New Lebanon, Western and GHS. I love the diversity of my neighborhood, and I feel very lucky to live here.

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

I want to make a difference in my community and be an active participant in local government.

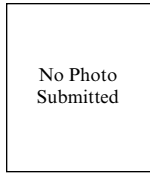
Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

Infrastructure, Affordable Housing and the Environment.

Current RTM committee assignment: Transportation - Alternate

Number of terms served on RTM: 1

Eckert, Elizabeth J. "Liz"
Did not reply



McKnight Jr, Robert J.

15 Peck Avenue
Greenwich 06830

Occupation: Retired Landscaper

Biography: I am a retired landscaper. I served in the US Army. I am a UCONN alumni. I am Vice-Chairman of the Byram Neighborhood Association and am a Director and Treasurer of

the Greenwich Preservation Trust.

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

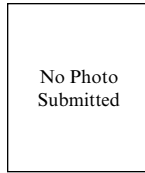
To continue my service to the people of Byram.

Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

1. Budgetary control
2. To address infrastructure problems
3. Educational excellence maintained

Current RTM committee assignment: Chair-District 4, Appt Com, Legislative/ Rules Com

Number of terms served on RTM: 12



Popp Jr, Alex J.

7 Wellington Place
Greenwich 06830

Occupation: Teacher

Biography: Married. Two daughters.

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

Promote data driven, practical solutions.

Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

Education.

Spending.

Traffic.

Current RTM committee assignment: Education.

Number of terms served on RTM: 6



Popp, Maria Madeleine

54 Mead Avenue
Greenwich 06830

Occupation: retired pharmacist, attorney

Biography: Maria has resided in Greenwich for the past 26 years. She has raised two children Maddie and Harrison with her husband Matthew. Her children have attended Greenwich Public

Schools. She has just finished a Master of Public Health from Columbia University and plans to pursue employment in that field.

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

Because I have received so much from this town I believe that I must use my free time to give back to the community. My district deserves to be represented by someone who can bring their ideas and beliefs to the table and I believe that I can make a difference for the people of my district. I very much enjoy serving on the RTM and I hope that the voters will re-elect me.

Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

The environment, taxation and transportation are three of the many important issues facing Greenwich today. In a town like Greenwich we have forbidden plastic bags now we must concentrate on other pollutants that affect our fish and wildlife. We must be cognizant of the amount of money we spend and be responsible so as not to leave extensive debt for future generations. Transportation within Greenwich and Fairfield County must be improved. Traffic within our town has become untenable and the RTM needs to help the State of Connecticut find solutions to this difficult problem.

Current RTM committee assignment: Legislative & Rules

Number of terms served on RTM: 9

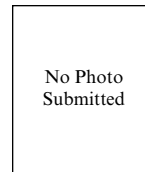
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Sanchez, Diego
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Schaffner-Parnell, Josiane M.
Did not reply

Smith, Ryan T.
Did not reply



Tamm, Samarpana

5 Chinmoy Ave
Greenwich 06830

Occupation: Librarian

Biography: Attended the University of Illinois. Montessori Teacher and currently a Librarian In Darien. I've lived in Greenwich 35 years . My children graduated from Greenwich High. I am Reading Champion volunteer and on the Board of Byram Library.

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

It is an honor to represent Byram District 4 on the RTM. Greenwich is a very diverse town comprised of 12 Districts which are all represented on the RTM. Any member may be recognized to speak on an issue. Being a part of Town government gives one the opportunity to learn the issues and vote on the merits.

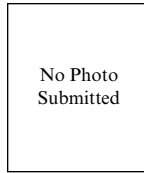
Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

The railroad station
Writing and passing a Blight Ordinance
Traffic

Current RTM committee assignment: Health and Human Services CDBG

Number of terms served on RTM: 5

Thompson, John J.
Did not reply



Tuthill, J. Robert
64 Mead Avenue
Greenwich 06830

Occupation: Retired
Biography: Retired

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

I have served on the RTM as a committee and as a district chair, and I believe my experience is useful to the Town.

Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

I believe the most important issue facing the voters is how to best improve GHS stadium at a reasonable cost.

Current RTM committee assignment: Education

Number of terms served on RTM: 18

Vitti, Donald R.
Did not reply



von Brachel, Lucy
17 High Street
Greenwich 06830-5925

Occupation: Fine Art Appraiser

Biography: Raised in Greenwich, Lucy has been an RTM member since 2017. She is a small business owner and

enthusiastic community advocate. She has a 25+ year career in the fine arts, specializing in photography. She lives with her husband, two children, and two dogs in Byram.

Q: Why are you running for RTM?

The RTM provides residents of our diverse community to participate in the legislative process and ensure that all interests are represented. Members of the RTM play a pivotal role in balancing the economic security of Greenwich with the quality of life of all residents. I view all items that come before the RTM through the lenses of an active volunteer, parent, small business owner, and homeowner. I am fortunate and grateful to be able to serve Greenwich and the Byram community and take my responsibility to and representation of my constituents seriously.

Q: What are the three most important issues facing Greenwich voters today?

It is increasingly imperative that Greenwich becomes more proactive, creative, and efficient in our approach to governance. Our growth depends on conscientious planning and community-building. Among other improvements, I believe that Greenwich needs a forward-looking, comprehensive, and wholistic Economic Development Plan, that Town government needs to modernize with a focus on customer service and increased efficiency, and that we need to develop a proactive approach to the budget process that will increase transparency and decrease waste in our operational and capital budgets.

Current RTM committee assignment: Transportation, Secretary; Land Use, Alternate

Number of terms served on RTM: 1

Zeh, Bonnie
Did not reply