

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO THE LITTLE COMPTON HOME RULE CHARTER
TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT FOR
NOVEMBER 8, 2016 – PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

LOCAL QUESTIONS

AMENDMENT TO LITTLE COMPTON
HOME RULE CHARTER – TAX ASSESSORS
(Resolution of the Town Council adopted July 21, 2016)

Shall the Charter of the Town be amended by adding language to allow the Town Council at its discretion the ability by ordinance to replace the Board of Tax Assessors with a single Tax Assessor and correct the title of Tax Assessment Board of Review within said section? (Amends Section 605)

Proposed amendment: Section 605

There shall be a Board of Tax Assessors of three (3) members elected for six (6) year staggered terms, with the term of one member expiring and the election of one member at the general election in each even numbered year. The Board of Tax Assessors shall have and perform all of the duties and discharge the responsibilities of Tax Assessors as set forth in State Law. The Town Council shall serve as the Tax Assessment Board of Review unless and until provision is made for the performance of those duties by another body.

The Town Council may, by ordinance, make provision for the replacement of the Board of Tax Assessors with a single Tax Assessor employed by the Town Council from among persons having had prior professional training and/or experience in assessment, property appraisal and related matters.

AMENDMENT TO LITTLE COMPTON
HOME RULE CHARTER –
(Resolution of the Town Council adopted July 21, 2016)

Shall the Charter of the Town be amended to delete reference to the Recreation, Conservation and Open Space Committee, which no longer exists, and renumber the remaining section? (Amends Section 710 and 711)

Section 710. Recreation, Conservation and Open Space Committee. **Delete in its entirety.**

Section 711. Little Compton Housing Trust. **Renumber as 710**

The Home Rule Charter and proposed amendments are available for review during normal business hours at the Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI and at the Brownell Library, 44 Commons, Little Compton, RI. Copies of the existing Home Rule Charter may be accessed through the Town website www.little-compton.com.

All persons interested in the above are respectfully requested to be present at the time and place to be held thereon. Facilities are accessible for people with disabilities. If you are in need of interpreter services for the hearing impaired, please contact the Town Clerk (635-4400) not less than 48 hours in advance of the hearing date.

HEARING DATE: October 20, 2016

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Town Hall, Council Chambers, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI