

Town Council Will Consider a Replacement for Ward 5 Councilmember:

On June 10, 2021, Councilmember Jennifer Garcia submitted her letter of resignation from the office of Ward 5 Councilperson, effective June 12, 2021. The Mayor & Town Council are grateful for her service to the Town of Cheverly during her time on Council and wish her well.

Cheverly's charter calls for a vacant council seat to be filled. The Mayor and Council agreed to the following schedule for filling the Ward 5 Councilmember vacancy:

- 1) Publish Vacancy Announcement in News & Announcements and the Town Facebook Page on July 1, 2021; Resending on July 5, 2021, and July 7, 2021.
- 2) Vacancy announcement will be posted in the July newsletter.
- 3) Each Ward Five resident will receive a flyer with the vacancy announcement and application information.
- 4) Accept Applications for Ward 5 Vacancy; deadline Wednesday, July 7, 2021 by 5:00 pm.**
- 5) Consideration by Council in the July 8, 2021 Town Meeting.
- 6) Selected Candidate will be seated at the July 8, 2021 Town Meeting.

The Town Council will select a replacement for the Ward 5 council seat vacancy in the July 8th council meeting. The Council will follow the procedures that have been used previously when other openings have occurred. The Council will review submitted documents, listen to a 3-5 minute speech from applicants, and then vote for the replacement. The selected candidate must receive a majority of the votes.

Any resident of Ward 5 is encouraged to participate in this process. Residents of Ward 5 who are interested in filling the vacancy should submit a letter of interest outlining the reasons they are interested in joining council, a resume, and fill out a Financial Disclosure Form. (The Financial Disclosure Form is required by state ethics rules and will be kept on file in the office. According to state ethics rules these documents can be accessed by anyone upon request.) These documents should be submitted to the Town Clerk at tchegeman@cheverly-md.gov or inserted in the blue mailbox located at the front of Town Hall (6401 Forest Rd, Cheverly, MD 20785) prior to close of business on July 7th so that councilmembers can review materials prior to the July 8th council meeting.

Qualification to be a councilmember:

- Must be 21 years old on or before the date of election;
- A citizen of the United States;
- A registered voter; and
- A resident of Cheverly for not less than six months.
- A resident of the Ward for which they are running, prior either to the date of filing, or 45 days immediately preceding the date of the Election in the case of a write-in candidate