



Pursuant to a recent change in New Hampshire law, absentee ballots received in the Laconia City Hall before Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 will be partially processed on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Laconia Community Center, 306 Union Avenue, Laconia NH 03246. This process will be open to the public as required by law. Wards 1, 2, and 3 will begin partial processing at 9:00 am and Wards 4, 5, and 6 will begin at 1:00 pm.

All observers must be six feet from the absentee ballot envelopes. Partial processing means that the Moderator and election officials will open the outer envelope, remove and examine the inner affidavit envelope, without opening it, determine whether the affidavit envelope has been properly executed (RSA 659:50, I (b)). We will publicly announce the name of the voter and make a notation on the check list. After the partial processing, the ballots will be kept in a secure location until the day of the election. This is the only session that will be held prior to the election on November 3rd, 2020. Also, the partial processing will be completed in accordance with the procedure outline in law.

Cheryl Hebert, City Clerk