



ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2014-357

Setting of Date for Election: Ward Referendum

WHEREAS, a petition was filed with the Town Clerk on September 6, 2012, seeking to compel the Town to conduct a permissive referendum asking Town of Ramapo voters "Shall the number of Councilmen or Councilwomen of the Town of Ramapo be Increased from Four to Six?", and

WHEREAS, a petition was also filed with the Town Clerk on September 6, 2012 seeking to compel the Town to conduct a permissive referendum asking Town of Ramapo voters, "Shall the Ward System be Established for the Election of Councilmen or Councilwomen in the Town of Ramapo?", and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk issued Determinations and Findings dated October 23, 2012 invalidating the petition for a referendum to increase the number of councilmen and councilwomen from four to six, and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk issued Determinations and Findings dated October 23, 2012 invalidating the petition for a referendum establishing a ward system, and

WHEREAS, two separate Article 78 proceedings were commenced in November 2012, seeking orders annulling and vacating the October 23, 2012 Determinations and Findings, declaring the referendum petitions valid and an order compelling the Town Clerk to schedule a special election on both petitions, and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Margaret Garvey, Justice of the Supreme Court, Rockland County, in two decisions dated July 25, 2014, vacated the Town Clerk's Determinations and Findings and ordered that the two petitions are declared valid and ordered the holding of two referenda, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law, the referenda shall be held at a special Town election not less than sixty (60) nor more than seventy five (75) days after the Supreme Court, Rockland County decisions validating the two petitions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Ramapo that a *SPECIAL ELECTION* is hereby scheduled for *Tuesday, September 30, 2014* with respect to the above Petitions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the propositions to be voted on shall read as follows:

1. "Shall the Number of Councilmen or Councilwomen of the Town of Ramapo be Increased From Four to Six?" and
2. "Shall the Ward System be Established For the Election of Councilmen and Councilwomen in the Town of Ramapo?"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Special Election will be held between 6:00 a.m.

and 10:00 p.m. at the polling places set forth in the Attached Schedule "A", and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that eligible voters may vote by absentee ballot provided an application is received by the Town Clerk not less than 7 days in advance of the Special election if the ballot is to be mailed and not less than one day in advance of the Special election if the ballot is to be picked up at the office of the Town Clerk, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that potentially eligible voters may register to vote at the Rockland County Board of Elections on or before September 23, 2014,

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Patrick J. Withers, Councilman
SECONDER:	Daniel Friedman, Councilman
AYES:	Christopher P St Lawrence, Daniel Friedman, Yitzchok Ullman, Patrick J. Withers
ABSENT:	Brendel Charles