



I'm Erin Noonan, candidate for re-election to my third year on the Select Board. We face real challenges as a town – a structural deficit, climate change, an affordable housing crisis, and downtown business districts still struggling from the pandemic and online retail. The Select Board must show leadership in confronting these issues and charting a path forward. A position on the Select Board requires strategic long-term planning and oversight that I am eager to be a part of for the sake of our town.

My Background

As an attorney with a background in civil litigation and appellate advocacy, I bring my critical thinking, strong analytical skills and effective communication strategies to the position. My husband Patrick and I are raising three children in town. I want to ensure Marblehead's prosperity and vibrancy for them and future generations. If you've attended board meetings, you know that I am not afraid to ask the hard questions, have transparent discussions, and or vote in opposition to the majority of board members when I have a different view. I currently represent the Board in our affordable housing initiative as the Chair of the Housing Production Implementation Committee and as a member of the Fair Housing Committee. I am seeking re-election on Tuesday, June 20th because I believe Marblehead is at a crossroad.

My Priorities

My priorities for the next year include budget planning early for FY'25 and beyond. We need a long-term multi-year budget strategy that allows for quality town services while minimizing the impact on taxpayers. We need to finally start taking a proactive approach to this structural deficit that has been projected for years and do the hard work to get our financial health back on track. This must include a holistic operational efficiency review. We must also consider responsible development that both increases our tax base and diversifies our housing stock options.

Other immediate priorities include implementing the recommendations of our housing production, economic recovery, net-zero roadmap and coastal resiliency plans.

Additionally, I believe that town meeting was a referendum on the public's desire to see more open government and I am committed to making town business more accessible

and transparent - whether it's posting audit reports, meeting packets, codified policies, or advocating for the technology for hybrid meetings.

I am committed to working on maximizing town resources, governing more efficiently, upgrading our technology, and being more accessible and engaged with the residents.

Vote for me because I want to be part of a Select Board that is willing to take on the hard work in front of us to keep Marblehead Moving Forward to meet the needs of this time.