



Concord Annual Town Meeting June 2-4, 2025 – League Recommendations

The Board of the League of Women Voters of Concord-Carlisle makes the following recommendations, based on the general positions achieved by the League through its process of study and consensus and on the applicability of those positions to the Articles presented here.

Article – Title	Recommendation
Preliminary Motion for Electronic Voting	The League does not support the use of electronic voting “clickers” routinely for votes on motions made under Articles on the Warrant at Town Meeting. Deliberation followed by a transparent vote is essential to the work of Concord’s legislative body. The LWVCC appreciates the work of the Town Meeting Study Committee, however, and supports the experimental use of clickers at this Town meeting for votes that the moderator deems too close to call.
Article 7 – Town FY26 Budget	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 8 - Debt Exclusion for Road Maintenance and Safety	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 9 – Town FY26 Capital Improvement and Debt Plan	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 10 – Concord Public Schools Operating Budget	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 11 – Concord Public Schools Capital Budget	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 12 – Concord-Carlisle Regional School District Budget	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 13 – Amenities Building	No position. The League supports accessibility of public facilities, but the lack of clarity on important financial aspects of this article prevents a recommendation before Town Meeting.
Article 17 – Minuteman Regional Technical High School Budget	Recommend a Yes vote.

Article 22 – Retirement Board Stipends	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 27 – Remote Participation at Annual and Special Town Meetings	Recommend a No vote. The League supports Town Meeting deliberation and voting as currently practiced, with accommodations made for additional sites for people with physical disabilities.
Article 28 – Citizen Petition: Ranked Choice Voting	Recommend a Yes vote. The League has a history of strong support for Ranked Choice Voting.
Article 34 – Stormwater Enterprise Fund Expenditures	Recommend a Yes vote. This is the responsible follow-up to Town Meeting’s affirmative vote last year.
Article 36 – Citizen Petition: Ban Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs)	Recommend a Yes vote. Supported by the LWVCC Environmental Committee.
Article 37 – Zoning Bylaw Amendment: Joint Parking Bylaw	Recommend a Yes vote.
Article 44 – Zoning Bylaw Amendment: Commercial Parking	No position.
Article 45 – Zoning Bylaw Amendment: Planned Residential Development (PRD) Bylaw	Recommend a Yes vote. Supported by the LWVCC Housing Committee.
Article 46 – Citizen Petition: Zoning Bylaw Amendment: Continuing Care Retirement Community Overlay District	Recommend a Yes vote. Supported by the LWVCC Housing Committee.

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan grassroots political organization founded in 1920. People of all genders are welcome. The League encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

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