

INSTRUCTIONS
FARMINGTON CHARTER REVISION PETITION SIGNATURES

1. Use the form on the next page (no changes allowed)
2. Gather as many signatures as possible of registered voters
3. Ensure that all information is legible and each line is completed
4. Enquire weather the person signing today has already signed, e.g. at one of the polling places on May 3 or May 17
5. Do not sign the bottom of the form
6. Return forms to the FTA at P.O. Box 1575, Farmington, CT 06034
7. Questions may be addressed to the FTA at info@farmingtontaxpayersassoc.org
8. Make sure that you include the contact information (name, address, phone, email if available) of the person circulating the petition
9. Forms must be returned to the FTA (in our possession) no later than August 1, 2007

Thank you for your efforts and for being a conscientious and concerned citizen. The Petition effort is subject to the following rules and procedures:

1 We must collect a number of valid, unduplicated signatures of registered voters equivalent to at least 10% of the registered voter base (Currently approx 16,500 = at least 1650 valid, unduplicated signatures).

2. We have 90 days from May 3 (Aug 3, 2007) to do this

3. Assuming that an adequate number is collected and validated, the Town Council is required to form a commission to review the charter.

4. The entire charter becomes open for review. The commission does not have to address our particular concern at all. But in view of public opinion it seems likely that the Commission would respect our concerns. However they could do something else or nothing at all. The Council would then vote to accept or reject the Commission's recommendations. If accepted, the proposed changes would go to the voters.

FTA's primary purpose in sponsoring this petition is to seek better, fairer and more transparent procedures in the event of a budget defeat. We believe that following a referendum defeat, there should be an informational only Town Meeting. There should not be a provision that a 2/3 majority of only 300 persons can modify the new proposed budget. That is the Council's job. In the event of a second defeat, the budget should revert to the previous year's level, except for debt service. There must be some consequence to successive defeats. This alone will ensure that the Council will send acceptable budgets to the people.

PETITION

WARNING: ALL SIGATURES MUST BE IN INK OR INDELIBLE PENCIL

We, the undersigned electors of the Town of Farmington, hereby present this petition to the Farmington Town Council under the provisions of Sec. 7-188 of the Connecticut General Statutes requesting the appointment of a Commission for the amendment of the Charter of the Town of Farmington, and we certify that we are electors of the Town of Farmington residing at the addresses set opposite our names and that we have signed this petition on the date opposite our names and not more than once.

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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATOR:

I, _____ residing at _____, Farmington, Conn. do hereby declare under penalties of false statement: 1. Each person whose name appears on this page signed the same in person in my presence and such person is known to me or has satisfactorily identified himself to me. 2. All signatures on this page were obtained within 90 days of the filing of this page of the petition.

Signature of Circulator

Subscribed and sworn before me at Farmington, Connecticut this _____ day of _____ 2007

Notary Public