



DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

Declaration must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public or Justice of the Peace. **The filing period opens at 8:00 am on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 and continues through 5:00 pm on Tuesday, September 10, 2019.** Any declarations that are received through the mail shall be acknowledged as being received at 5:00 pm on that day.

Please check off the position you are filing for:
Include the appropriate filing fee, \$5.00 for Mayor and \$2.00 for all other positions.

Mayor - 2 Year Term		Ward Moderator - 2 Year Term	
Councilor-At-Large - 2 Year Term		Ward Clerk - 2 Year Term	
Ward Councilor - 4 Year Term		Ward Selectman - 2 Year Term	
Ward Four Councilor - 2 Year Term	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ward Checklist Supervisor - 2 Year Term	

I, Catherine Workman, declare that I am domiciled in the City of Keene at 32 Colorado St. apt #1 Keene and that I am a duly qualified voter in ward 4. I am a candidate for the office of City Council and I hereby request that my name be printed as Catherine "Catt" Workman on the official ballot of the City of Keene for the **Primary Election on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.**

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State of New Hampshire
County of Cheshire

The above named Catherine Workman personally known to me or satisfactorily proven appeared and subscribed to the above statement.

[Signature]
Justice of the Peace/Notary Public

Candidates may submit background information or a brief biography to accompany this declaration. This information will be provided to the City Council and posted to the public website. Please indicate below if you intend to provide additional information about yourself.

Yes, I will provide additional information about myself No, I prefer not

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Hi. I am Catt and I would appreciate your vote for City Councilor of Ward 4. Since moving to Cheshire County in 2009 I have either lived or worked in the city of Keene, a city that I love and am happy to call “home”. I would be a strong representative for the ward while positively providing a voice to the specific needs of the constituents. With a Master of Forensic Science degree, my analytical and research skills have been honed; I can comprehend lengthy articles, extracting important facts. With excellent time management skills, as well as a balanced lifestyle approach to the many opportunities of the Monadnock Region, I would be an asset to setting the pace of the city in regards to its growth, change and development. Although officially a city, Keene is small enough residents can easily get to know each other, or at least recognize one another. Although there is some of the diversity and culture one might find in larger metropolitan areas, the Keene workforce struggles to attract and keep younger professionals. Recent initiatives, such as changing the regulations of food trucks, increasing the availability of workforce housing, and hosting events such as The Wall Dogs, are great steps towards attracting and retaining a younger generation. I feel that I am that appropriate candidate with fresh perspective and unbiased leadership skills.

My professional experience provides added insight into the needs and challenges of Keene residents. First, I was a case manager for the non-profit area agency Monadnock Developmental Services and later became a geriatric case manager at Monadnock Family Services, serving the 65 + demographic. More recently, I took a position as a Family Service Specialist for the State of NH- Department of Health and Human Services. In my current position I determine eligibility for welfare benefits such as SNAP, TANF, Medicaid, and Childcare scholarships. These roles have given me a unique perspective of the strengths and shortcomings of the social service system on the municipal and state levels. More importantly, these roles have deepened my understanding of policy-making and funding and have given me first-hand experience in the process of creating and maintaining a budget. Not only have I developed strong relationships and familiarity with the social service agencies within the city, I’m also aware of the needs and concerns of local businesses on Main Street and residents.

Outside of my professional experience, my hobbies and personal interests reinforce traits and skills I think would make me an ideal city councilor. I’m passionate in mentoring, having been a Big Sister through the Big Brother Big Sister Association of NH for several years. Not

only do my little and I maintain a strong relationship to this day; I also maintain a working relationship with the agency. As a member of The Greater Keene Women's Softball Association for the last 5 years I have developed lasting friendships. When not on a softball field, you can likely find me on one of the trails within the ward running. I would like to have your vote for City Councilor of Ward 4 because I believe the ward needs a strong representative to express their needs and concerns on the board and that I could be that advocate. I believe I have the ability to meet constituents where they are and connect on a personal level. I look forward to getting to know the constituents of Ward 4 and setting up events to hear directly any specific needs and concerns so to better represent them on the city council.