



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

I, Mitchell H Greenwald, declare that I am domiciled in the City of Keene at 98 Peg Shop Road and that I am a duly qualified voter in ward 2. I am a candidate for the office of Mayor and I hereby request that my name be printed as Mitchell "Mitch" Greenwald on the official ballot of the City of Keene for the Primary Election on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

Signed: [Signature] Phone: 603-352-5483

Email: mj@greenwaldrealty.com Social Media Handles: \_\_\_\_\_

State of New Hampshire  
County of Cheshire

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

[Signature]  
HEATHER R. FITZ-SIMON, Justice of the Peace  
State of New Hampshire  
~~My Commission Expires September 17, 2019~~  
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

Date Received: 8/21/19 Time Received: 8:11 AM

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**Any information provided on this document is a matter of public record. By signing above, candidate agrees to allow the City of Keene to share their contact information/social media handles/biographical information with members of the public.**

**I am Committed to Keene.** And that is why I have decided to run for the office of Mayor.

Under the prior leadership of five Mayors and four City Managers, I have proudly served the public and over the course of those years, I have seen many City Councilors come and go, each one with his/her own styles and personalities. As a member and also chairperson to three Council committees, I have provided a fresh prospective amongst my colleagues. Leadership requires civility, creating a healthy forum for debate, facilitating a consensus and transitioning onto the next issue. Without a doubt, challenges will arise in the coming year and I will strive to welcome diverse opinions and foster discussion.

Economic growth continues to be a major initiative for our community. My experiences leading the Economic Development committee has enabled me with much insight into what we can do to make improvements to our education, employment, housing, culture and area recruitment. During this critical time, we need continuity and drive to achieve what we have started. I have dedicated nearly five decades to our community and cultivating a thriving local economy. Having operated several small local businesses, I am committed to my fellow businessowners and am in tune with their needs. I do not just talk about the issues, I understand them.

We must act to address our local substance abuse issue, offer support to those who are suffering, and foster prevention efforts. Each member of our community deserves to feel valued and never abandoned. We will work to assure safe and affordable housing and protect our neighborhoods. We can do this with the leadership of a committed problem solver, but ultimately, together we will find solutions.

Downtown Keene will soon be moving forward with an upgrade to its infrastructure and the opportunity for a fresh redesign of the streets and sidewalks. Main Street is the heart of our city. As a longstanding member of the downtown business community and Keene resident who lived through two significant reconstructions, I am familiar with the obstacles this project will present. With managed expectations and cooperation, the revitalization of our downtown will be a success.

My wife and I were both eighteen years old when we laid roots here in 1970. We graduated from Keene State College, raised our three children here, she was an educator in the Keene school district for over twenty years, and now five of our grandchildren are excelling in our remarkable public schools. As we look to our future, now is the time to build a renewed partnership with the college by collaborating with its new President to forge a stronger relationship between our communities. Across all levels, our local education is flourishing and empowering the next generation.

Keene is my past, present, and future and I ask you to please join in my commitment to Keene.

Thank you,

Mitch Greenwald