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Berlin Municipal Election Update

Only District 4 remains contested; Write-in deadline is September 27, 2022

(September 15, 2022) --- As has been reported in local media this week, Adrian Bowen has withdrawn his candidacy for the At-Large Council seat for the 2022 Berlin Municipal Election leaving incumbent Jay Knerr as the sole candidate for that seat pending the deadline for write-in filing of September 27, 2022.

Town Administrator Mary Bohlen noted, "There is still the potential for someone to file as a write-in candidate by the close of business on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, though write-in candidates will not be printed on the ballot." She explained that, if no one files as a write-in, only District 4 voters will vote at the poll. The candidates for District 1 and the At-Large seat will be declared as winners in their uncontested seats, meaning that voters for Districts 1, 2, and 3 will not vote on Election Day, and only District 4 will be a contested race. Per Berlin Town Code, if only one individual is on a ballot for a given seat, the contest for that seat is declared as won by the sole candidate.

At this time, the candidates for the 2022 Berlin Election are as follows:

COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 1:

James Steven Green (Steve Green)

COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 4:

Dean Jonathian Burrell, Sr.

Anthony T. Weeg

AT-LARGE COUNCILMEMBER:

Jay Knerr

Absentee Ballot Applications will continue to be available to voters unable to make it to the polls and can be submitted by mail until September 27, 2022 or in person at Town Hall as late as 4:00 PM on Friday, September 30, 2022. Bohlen stressed that, after September 27th, applications must be hand-delivered to Town Hall and that voters should not use the payment drop boxes to submit their application. Once submitted and verified, absentee voters will be given the ballot at that time. Town Hall is open from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

Election Day is Tuesday, October 4, 2022, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Polling locations are: Districts 1 and 2 at Buckingham Presbyterian Church at 20 S. Main Street and Districts 3 and 4 at the Berlin Police Department at 129 Decatur Street.

For appropriate forms, or if there are any questions regarding Berlin's municipal elections, please contact Town Administrator Mary Bohlen at: Phone: 410-641-4314; email: mbohlen@berlinmd.gov. Or visit berlinmd.gov/government/ and select "Municipal Elections."

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