



Support voting by part-time resident taxpayers

Voting is the ultimate voice.

Many of our full-time neighbors exhort us to register to vote in Provincetown. In fact, there are examples of individuals who serve in Provincetown's government while maintaining a job and a home off-Cape. They consider themselves full-timers and are registered to vote in Provincetown.

We suggest Massachusetts members, in particular, consider changing their voting status to Provincetown, assuming they qualify. Keep in mind that individuals can only vote where they are a legal resident/domiciled. That is defined as:

“Your domicile, or legal residence, is your true home or main residence. You may have multiple residences at one time, but only one domicile. You can't choose to make your home one place for general living purposes and in another for tax purposes. Your legal residence is usually where you maintain your most important family, social, economic, political, and religious ties, and it depends on all the facts and circumstances per case, including good faith.”

Obviously, this analysis is far easier if the person is already a Massachusetts resident. “One person, one vote” applies in Massachusetts and nationally. Individuals can only vote from one residence even if they own and occasionally occupy more than one property.

If you intend to register to vote in Provincetown, please use the State's online form at <https://www.sec.state.ma.us/OVR/Welcome.aspx>. You can complete the application online, print, sign and return it to the town clerk - a fast, easy way that makes processing by the Town Clerk simpler.

Should you register, please let us know by sending an email noting status change to info@PPRTA.org. And remember, once a PPRTA member, always a PPRTA member. If you register to vote in Provincetown, please remain a member. We need your voice and perspective.