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With the Nov. 6 election coming close, officials in the town and city of Port Washington are gearing up for the big day.

Town Clerk Jenny Schlenvogt has scheduled additional office hours beginning next week to handle the expected influx of absentee ballot requests.

In addition to her regular hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Schlenvogt will be at Town Hall from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 25 and Nov. 1, and from 2 to 5 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 2.



In both communities, absentee ballots are available by mail and may be requested by mail as well. Voters must be registered in the community to obtain these ballots.

Absentee ballots may be completed in person at municipal offices beginning Monday, Oct. 22, and ending Friday, Nov. 2.

People may register to vote in person at the community offices until Nov. 2. After that, registration will be at the polls.

Officials are urging people to register before election day, noting it will help reduce lines at the polls.

"These last few days, things have picked up considerably," said Susan Westerbeke, the city's deputy clerk. "We've had a steady stream of absentee ballot applications."