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January 18, 2017

Amesbury City Council  
62 Friend Street  
Amesbury, MA 01913

Dear Councilors:

As you are aware, Councilor Sickorez was elected City Councilor for District 1 in the November 3, 2015 Election. He has submitted the attached resignation effective immediately as he is no longer a resident of Amesbury.

In accordance with Section 3-4 Filling of Vacancies of the Amesbury Home Rule Charter: If a vacancy occurs in the office of city councillor, whether by failure to elect or otherwise, the vacancy shall be filled by the unelected candidate receiving the highest votes in the same election, if any, provided that candidate received at least thirty percent of the vote for that office.

Said candidate shall be notified by the city clerk of the vacancy, and if the candidate declines to be sworn to office within ten days, has moved from the city, or is otherwise unable to serve, the Council shall choose a successor to fill the vacancy from among the voters entitled to vote for such office. Any person so chosen shall take the oath of office and commence to serve forthwith. There was no other candidate that received thirty percent of the vote.

The city council shall be the sole judge of whether a vacancy shall exist in the office of city councillor and may declare an office vacant by a majority vote of the council.

Once the vacancy is declared, a notice of the vacancy will be sent to the local paper and placed on the website and a meeting should be scheduled to fill the vacancy.

Sincerely,

Bonnijo Kitchin  
City Clerk

## Bonnijo Kitchin

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**From:** paulsickorez@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017 7:53 PM  
**To:** Robert Lavoie; Donna McClure; Joseph McMilleon; Jonathan Sherwood; Christian Scorzoni; Mary Louise Bartley; Matt Einson; Steve Stanganelli; Bonnijo Kitchin  
**Subject:** Resignation

Dear Bonnijo and my fellow councilors,

It is with sincere regret that I must tender my resignation from The Amesbury Municipal Council effective immediately. We recently sold our house. We tried very hard, but alas, unsuccessfully, to find suitable housing in Amesbury. According to the Amesbury City Charter, councilors need to be a resident of Amesbury. I am no longer a resident of Amesbury, hence the need for my resignation.

I am honored to have served as a Municipal Councilor for the past three years. I will miss being part of Amesbury's exciting future. I wish each of you continued success. I leave with the knowledge that Amesbury is in very capable, caring hands.

Thank you all for your guidance and friendship.

Sincerely,

Paul M. Sickorez

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