

## **PLEASE VOTE FOR HANOVER TOWN HALL'S COLOR!**

When you look at a city or town hall, it is sure to say a lot about the community's values, culture, and history. Preserving town halls and government buildings help maintain the structural integrity of the community and the governance of a community. Hanover's Town Hall was built in 1863 where it sits today and was designed by the architect Luther Briggs, Jr. and builder Samuel Nathan Turner.

Throughout its history the Hanover Town Hall has been altered to meet Hanoverians' needs and to keep up with the latest trends in architecture and planning. One of the most eye catching changes has been the town hall's color. Originally, the building was painted brown, and then a forest green.

The City Beautiful Movement developed in the 1890s and early 1900s as an attempt to improve the quality of life which plagued both urban and rural America. Hanover as well as many other suburbs transformed themselves in a number of ways, including changing the color of their government buildings to white. The white color represented purity and future prosperity.

The Hanover Town Hall has been repainted from brown, to green, to the white color it is today, and it has not been altered despite the passing of this movement. Currently, the Town Hall Restoration Task Force is focusing on restoring and preserving the Hanover Town Hall and giving it a historically appropriate color that would respect the town's history and the community as a whole while still being the centerpiece of Hanover's civic fabric. This fall, please take the opportunity to visit our online survey where you can vote on what color best suits the Hanover Town Hall. Your opinions and feedback will be immensely appreciated.

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