

## Office Hours, Neighborhood Visits and Open Forums My Plan to Ensure that Ridgefield's Voice is Heard

On Thursday evening, September 6 at Town Hall, First Selectman Rudy Marconi and Aimee Berger-Girvalo, 111th District State Assembly candidate, discussed key issues facing the State of Connecticut and their local impacts with 50 Ridgefield residents. Marconi and Berger-Girvalo advised that the State budget and funding gap must be fixed without gutting services, taking pensions away from retirees, or generating ruinous upward pressures on property taxes. Transportation, infrastructure, education, and business must work in tandem to invigorate our state. Top concerns included healthcare, gun safety, choice, affordable college, and opioid abuse.

Today, Aimee announced a plan to ensure that Ridgefield residents are heard year-round, not just during election season.

“As your State Representative I will hold regular, open **Office Hours at Town Hall**, once a month. **For the first time in 20 years**, every Ridgefield resident will be able to talk to their State Representative face to face. I’ll make sure that calls and emails are answered promptly. I will make **Neighborhood Visits**, showing up at your doors or at ‘coffees’. I will meet with our First Selectman, as well as **attend** Board of Selectmen and other **town board meetings regularly**. I will hold **Open Forums** on topics vital to Ridgefield where I will share what is happening in Hartford and how it affects Ridgefield, and hear from residents about the pressing issues they face.

“As your State Representative I will work for you every day. My **Office Hours at Town Hall, Regular Attendance at Town Board meetings, Neighborhood Visits** and **Open Forums** are part of my plan to amplify your voices and deliver greater accountability from the Office of State Representative.

“I’ve contacted over 2,000 Ridgefield residents in person, at their doors, on the phone, or in their homes during the past three months. If elected on November 6 to serve as your State Representative, I will continue to be available to you. You deserve to be informed *and* heard. **I will share and I will listen.**”