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## [ ELECTION 2005 ]

### The new City Council

*\*All results are unofficial. The city still must count 240 absentee ballots.*

#### ■ WARD 1



**Richard Israel (D)**

769 votes, 59%

**Doug Burkhardt (R)**

545 votes, 41%

**Write-in**

1 vote, 0%

#### ■ WARD 2



**Mike Christman (R)**

668 votes, 51%

**Debbie Rosen**

188 votes, 28%

**McKerrow (D)**

636 votes, 49%

#### ■ WARD 3



**Classie Hoyle (D)**

479 votes, 72%

**Write-in**

188 votes, 28%

#### ■ WARD 4



**Wayne Taylor (D)**

427 votes, 72%

**Tyrone Furman (R)**

160 votes, 27%

**Write-in**

3 votes, 1%

#### ■ WARD 5



**David H. Cordle Sr. (R)**

556 votes, 68%

**James R. Turner (D)**

259 votes, 32%

#### ■ WARD 6



**Julie Stankivc (I)**

341 votes, 63%

**Cynthia A. Carter (D)**

200 votes, 37%

**Write-in**

1 vote, 0%

#### ■ WARD 7



**Sam Shropshire (D)**

533 votes, 54%

**Laura Townsend (R)**

459 votes, 46%

**Write-in**

1 vote, 0%

#### ■ WARD 8



**Josh Cohen (D)**

955 votes, 76%

**Regina Linton (R)**

296 votes, 24%

**Write-in**

2 votes, 0%

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## She beats back strong challenge from Renaut

By DANIEL VALENTINE  
Staff Writer

Mayor Ellen O. Moyer defeated challengers Gil Renaut and George O. Kelley Sr. in yesterday's general election with 45 percent of the vote, ensuring a second term and ending an acrimonious and expensive campaign season.

The city's first woman mayor won re-election by carrying the city's three minority wards, as well as her home ward of Eastport. Collectively they made up nearly 30 percent of her 3,450 votes.

"Let's celebrate (overcoming) one of the toughest challenges we've had in ever so long," the Democrat told a crowd of about 100 supporters at a packed victory party last night.

## Race for mayor

**Ellen O. Moyer (D)**

3,450 votes, 45%

**Gilbert Renaut (I)**

2,764 votes, 36%

**George O. Kelley Sr. (R)**

1,369 votes, 18%

The 7,586 votes cast yesterday represented a 32 percent turnout, the lowest in the past four general city elections. Early results do not include 240 absentee ballots, which will be counted tomorrow.

The late votes are not expected to change any of the results for mayor or aldermen.

Ms. Moyer's re-election bucks an Annapolis trend. With the exception of Al Hopkins and the current mayor, city voters since 1981 have turned out every mayor after a single term.

Ignoring critics of her administration, Ms. Moyer publicly stuck to a long list of accomplishments in her campaigning, including a \$6.6 million in pay increases for the police and fire departments, lowering the city property tax rate, increasing the bond rating and a concerted push to promote women and African-Americans to management positions in the city.

Ms. Moyer credited the victory to her willingness to tackle the tough issues.

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By Alison Harbaugh — The Capital  
Joined by fellow victorious Democrats Sam Shropshire, Josh Cohen and Classie Hoyle on stage, Mayor Ellen O. Moyer gives the thumbs-up after winning a second term in yesterday's city election. Ms. Moyer defeated two challengers in the race.

## City voters pick 5 new aldermen

By DAVID ABRAMS  
and JEFF HORSEMAN  
Staff Writers

Democrats held on to their majority on the City Council last night, retaining five of eight aldermanic seats and the mayor's office.

While Mayor Ellen O. Moyer gained some likely allies and lost some old foes, it's not clear how the five new arrivals will work with the mayor as she starts her second four-year term.

One of the losers last night was Ward 6 Alderwoman Cynthia A. Cart-

er, a strong supporter of Ms. Moyer who was beaten by independent Julie Stankivic. The two-term Democrat was the only loser of four incumbents seeking re-election.

Two times proved the charm for Ms. Stankivic. After losing to Mrs. Carter four years ago in the African-American-majority ward, the federal health policy analyst won 341-200. Mrs. Carter, who first won in 1997, took her loss in stride.

"She was able to convince people she was a person ... and I did not-

ing," Mrs. Carter said.

Including Ms. Stankivic, other new aldermen are Democrat Richard E. Israel in Ward 1, Republican Mike Christman in Ward 2, Democrat Wayne Taylor in Ward 4 and Democrat Sam Shropshire in Ward 7.

Incumbents Classie G. Hoyle, D-Ward 3, David H. Cordle Sr., R-Ward 5, and Josh Cohen, D-Ward 8, cruised to re-election.

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# MAYOR

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"We have a tremendous record of accomplishment," she said. "How can you ignore that?"

Closely following the same voting trends she set in her 2001 election, Ms. Moyer did not win over voters in downtown's Ward 1. She also lost in Ward 2, which includes Clay Street, Admiral Heights and West Annapolis — a district she only carried by one vote last time.

This year's mayoral race placed the Eastport Democrat against Mr. Kelley, a Ward 4 alderman who ran on the Republican ticket, and Mr. Renaut, an independent from Murray Hill who came in second with 36 percent.

"We started at an enormous disadvantage," Mr. Renaut told supporters at a gathering last night, saying he had little funding and did not start his campaign until July. "You had a bad candidate. I did not have bad volunteers."

The former federal attorney said he plans to enjoy his retirement, which began last month.

"All I can say is I hope we can keep things under control," he told supporters.

He and Ms. Moyer both carried their home districts in the election. Mr. Kelley did not.

"There are no losers," Mr. Kelley told a small gathering of family and Republican supporters after learning he took only 18 percent of the vote. "We're all winners."

He continued: "I'm not upset. I'm not angry and I'm not sad. We dealt with the issues, and I don't think the issues are going to go away."

Though he scored high-profile endorsements from Gov. Michael L. Ehrlich Jr. and Lt. Gov. Michael Steele in the final days of the campaign, Mr. Kelley ran without local solidarity from his party and a puny war chest of about \$10,000. In the alderman races, three Republicans broke away from the former city police officer and supported Mr. Renaut.

He and Mr. Renaut had taken on Ms. Moyer by denouncing city traffic, development, increases in property tax payments and the failure by her administration to bring in a new vendor at the Market House in the last year.

They vigorously attacked Ms. Moyer's leadership style, saying she does not reach out to those who disagree with her.

"It's not just about style," said one voter, who declined to give his name yesterday. "It has become abusive and rude; it's turned into substance."

But other voters in the city said Ms. Moyer's

## MAYORAL VOTES BY WARD

Unofficial results from the Annapolis mayoral election last night show the following vote breakdowns in the eight wards:

	<b>Moyer</b>	<b>Renaut</b>	<b>Kelley</b>
Ward 1	531	677	116
Ward 2	531	568	212
Ward 3	408	187	122
Ward 4	320	115	176
Ward 5	356	262	194
Ward 6	281	153	111
Ward 7	429	311	250
Ward 8	594	491	188
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3,450</b>	<b>2,764</b>	<b>1,369</b>

record of beautification projects, team-building, environmental education, community outreach and economic health was enough to earn another four years in office.

"I think she will continue to do (a good job)," said Bonnie Finlay, a Ward 1 Republican. "I think she has a lot of good ideas and has worked well for the city so far."

The victory did not come cheaply, however. Ms. Moyer raised and spent more than \$100,000 in her re-election to a job that pays \$65,000 a year, according to campaign finance reports.

Her rivals' supporters were quick to point out that despite her accomplishments, organization, and huge financial advantage, Ms. Moyer was not able to win over even half the voters in the election. Between Mr. Renaut's 2,764 votes and Mr. Kelley's 1,369, about 680 more people voted against Ms. Moyer.

"The best they could manage was the status quo," said Mike Collins, a prospective GOP candidate for next year's District 30 delegate seat.

The mayor called for city residents to put aside their differences in the next four years.

"Let's talk about the issues, for heaven's sake," Ms. Moyer said. "We just need to be engaged in this great democracy, this great participatory government of ours."

She urged her supporters to "think positive and let's think about public service."

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