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Aaron Judge hits his first homer since May 24 as the Yankees clinch a record 61st postseason berth.
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The driver of a tractor-trailer is facing more than \$40,000 in fines after police say he caused a crash on Route 318 on Friday evening.
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Connecticut residents recount fast-rising floodwaters after Sunday's heavy rain.
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Lamont and Fazio offer contrasting plans on eight issues in governor's race

By Alex Putterman
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The race for governor of Connecticut is between two Greenwich residents with fairly different visions for the state.
Gov. Ned Lamont, 72, who defeated a progressive challenger last month to secure the Democratic nomination, is a two-term incumbent whose moderate approach to fiscal policy and liberal stances on most social issues have earned him solid approval ratings in recent years.
State Sen. Ryan Fazio, 36, who earned the Republican



nomination after his top opponent dropped out amid scandal, has served in the legislature since 2021, earning a reputation as a committed conservative who's nonetheless open to working across the aisle.
Ahead of the Nov. 3 election, CT Insider interviewed both candidates about eight major issues they would be faced within the next four years, if elected governor. Here's what
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Gov. Ned Lamont, left, and state Sen. Ryan Fazio are Connecticut's gubernatorial candidates.



Dan Haar/Hearst Connecticut Media
Political science professors Hélène Landemore, left, of Yale, and Michael Morrell, of the University of Connecticut, are helping to run the Connecticut Citizens Assembly. They are shown at a session of the assembly at the Omni Hotel in New Haven on Aug. 30.

Citizens Assembly wrestles with property tax reform



Dan Haar
COMMENTARY

Democracy has been unfolding across Connecticut this summer in a way that might shape the state's history — and your local tax bill — through a gathering of residents that's both uplifting and messy.
You might have heard about the Connecticut Citizens Assembly, a group of 100 people chosen randomly, more or less, to attack

the crisis of out of control and unfair city and town property taxes. Well, the citizens have spent the summer honing a plan that's due to be submitted to the General Assembly (you know, the elected body) on Sept. 26.
Will the Citizens Assembly recommend a surtax on the rich, or perhaps highway tolls, to subsidize local taxes in cities and towns that can't make their finances work?
Will the citizens advise lawmakers to pull back on property tax exemptions

for private schools, universities and hospitals that seem flush with cash?
Will they urge the state to loosen collective bargaining laws that block cooperation between towns? How about setting limits on the mandates the state imposes on towns, which end up costing you and me more money?
All of that and more stands on the block, maybe, as the citizens do their work, under the guidance of the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities,
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Bus videos challenge ICE denial in Danbury

By Joshua Eaton
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When elected officials and immigrant rights advocates in Danbury said U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement had arrested a parent at their

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ICE confirms 118 arrests over a 4-day stretch in Connecticut.
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child's school bus stop Aug. 26,
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Clancy mistrial fuels call for repeal of 19th Amendment

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The Lindsay Clancy mistrial has taken an unexpected turn online, with fringe activists using the murder case to renew calls to repeal the 19th Amendment.

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U.S. Rep. Nancy Mace calls for the public execution of Lindsay Clancy. **Page A3**
But calls to repeal the 19th Amendment, which gave
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