## PROPOSED ARTICLE III, MAYOR SECTION 3.01, ELECTION AND TERM & SECTION 3.02, QUALIFICATIONS

Present Charter

ARTICLE III MAYOR

SECTION 3.01, ELECTION AND TERM

The Mayor shall be elected at every second municipal election for a term of four (4) years, which term shall commence and the Mayor shall assume office on January 2 next following the Mayor's election, and shall hold office until the Mayor's successor is elected and qualified.

A nonpartisan primary election for the Mayor shall be held prior to the above-mentioned municipal election and the two persons receiving the most number of votes in the primary election shall be the candidates for the municipal election.

In the event of a vacancy as described in Section 3.07, the elected successor to the Mayor shall assume office immediately upon certification by the Board of Elections for the balance of the unexpired term. (Amended Nov. 2, 1976.) (Amended Nov. 7, 2006.)

SECTION 3.02, QUALIFICATIONS

The Mayor for two (2) years prior to the date of the Mayor's filing the Mayor's declaration of candidacy for election with the Board of Elections and continuing through the Mayor's term of office shall be a continuous qualified elector of this Municipality.

The Mayor shall hold no other public office except that of a notary public or member of the State Militia. The Mayor shall not be otherwise employed by, nor shall the Mayor hold any

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In the event of a vacancy as described in Section 3.07, the elected successor to the Mayor shall assume office immediately upon certification by the Board of Elections for the balance of the unexpired term.

SECTION 3.02, QUALIFICATIONS

A Candidate for Mayor shall be a continuously qualified elector of this Municipality for two (2) years immediately prior to the date of the primary election and continuing through the elected Mayor's term of office.

The Mayor shall hold no other public office except that of a notary public or member of the State Militia. The Mayor shall not be otherwise employed by, nor shall the Mayor hold any

Reasoning

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SECTION 3.01, ELECTION AND TERM

The purpose of the change is to add language to clarify all candidates for Mayor must first run in the nonpartisan primary.

SECTION 3.02, QUALIFICATIONS

The purpose of the change is to clarify and strengthen the residency requirement to ensure a candidate for Mayor has a deeper understanding and level of commitment to the community.

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