



Legislation Text

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ITEM: ORDINANCES APPROVING REFERENDUM QUESTIONS AMENDING THE VILLAGE CHARTER

REQUEST: Adoption of ordinances approving referendum questions amending the Village Charter.

EXPLANATION: This is the second reading and adoption of four questions amending various sections of the Charter to be presented to the electorate at the March 15, 2016 election.

Staff is seeking approval from Council of the four ordinances to be presented to the electorate as follows:

- A. ORDINANCE 2015-15A (FILING OF VACANCIES) AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 5 OF WELLINGTON'S MUNICIPAL CHARTER RELATING TO FILLING OF VACANCIES FOR MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS BY AMENDING SUBSECTION G, "VACANCIES; FORFEITURE OF OFFICE; SUSPENSION; FILLING OF VACANCIES" OF WELLINGTON'S CHARTER TO PERMIT THE FILLING OF VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF A COUNCILMEMBER IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE MAYOR; PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORS OF WELLINGTON AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 15, 2016; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
- B. ORDINANCE 2015-16 (EQUESTRIAN PRESERVE AREA) AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO WELLINGTON'S MUNICIPAL CHARTER BY CREATING A NEW SECTION 4 ENTITLED "EQUESTRIAN PRESERVE AREA" TO FORMALLY RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY, TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY AS OUTLINED IN THE VILLAGE'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AND TO REQUIRE THREE AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO ADD PARCELS TO THE EQUESTRIAN PRESERVE AREA AND NOT LESS THAN FOUR AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO REMOVE PARCELS FROM THE EQUESTRIAN PRESERVE AREA; RENUMBERING THE REMAINING SECTIONS OF THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORS OF WELLINGTON AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 15, 2016; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
- C. ORDINANCE 2015-17 (CANVASSING BOARD) AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 8 OF WELLINGTON'S MUNICIPAL CHARTER BY AMENDING**

SECTION 8, SUBSECTION G ENTITLED "VILLAGE CANVASSING BOARD" TO ESTABLISH AN INDEPENDENT PANEL TO SERVE AS THE CANVASSING BOARD; PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORS OF WELLINGTON AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 15, 2016; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- D. ORDINANCE 2015-18 (PROHIBITE COMMERCIAL TRANSIENT USES IN EQUESTRIAN PRESERVE AREA) AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO WELLINGTON'S MUNICIPAL CHARTER BY CREATING A NEW SECTION "4A" ENTITLED "OCCUPANCY USES PROHIBITED" PROHIBITING HOTELS, MOTELS, CONDO-HOTELS, APARTMENTS AND SIMILAR COMMERCIAL TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY USES, EXCEPT FOR BED AND BREAKFAST USES, WITHIN THE EQUESTRIAN PRESERVE AREA; PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORS OF WELLINGTON AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 15, 2016; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED: NO

PUBLIC HEARING: YES **QUASI-JUDICIAL:**

FIRST READING: **SECOND READING:** YES

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY: YES

FISCAL IMPACT: NO

WELLINGTON FUNDAMENTAL: Responsive Government

RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of ordinances approving referendum questions amending the Village Charter.