

CITY OF POMPANO BEACH
Broward County, Florida

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE II, SECTION 6 TO CHAPTER 57-174, LAWS OF FLORIDA SPECIAL ACTS OF 1957 AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, IMPOSING LIMITATIONS ON THE LENGTH OF TERMS OF THE OFFICES OF THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS, WHILE EXPANDING FUTURE TERMS OF OFFICE OF CITY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING THAT IF THE AMENDMENT IS APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS AT THE GENERAL ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 2026, THEN SUCH AMENDMENT SHALL BECOME A PART OF THE CITY'S CHARTER UPON CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ELECTION RESULTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 261 of the City's Charter provides the method for amendment to the Charter, and Section 166.031, Florida Statutes requires that charter amendments be approved by referendum of the electors; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has duly considered the proposed Charter amendments, which provide for expanding the terms of City Commissioners, and imposing limits on the length of consecutive terms of office of the Mayor and Commissioners conditioned upon approval of extension of such terms as indicated herein by all qualified electors within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pompano Beach has deemed it to be in the best interest of the citizens and residents of the City of Pompano Beach that the proposed amendment to the City Charter shall be submitted to a vote of the electors; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, ten (10) days' notice has been given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City, notifying the public of this proposed ordinance and of a public hearing in the City Commission Chambers of the City of Pompano Beach; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing before the City Commission was held pursuant to the published notice described above, at which hearing the parties in interest and all other citizens so desiring had an opportunity to be and were, in fact heard; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The following referendum question amending Chapter 57-174, Laws of Florida Special Acts of 1957 as subsequently amended and supplemented, otherwise known as the Charter of the City of Pompano Beach, shall be presented to the electorate of the City of Pompano Beach at the General Election of November 2026, and, if the following referendum question is approved by a majority of the electorate at said election and met all conditions for approval, each said approved amendment shall be legally effective and shall become a part of the City Charter upon certification and acceptance of the election results.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #1

PROVIDE FOR TERM LIMITS OF THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS AND EXPAND FUTURE TERMS OF COMMISSIONERS.

SHALL SECTION 6 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH BE AMENDED TO LIMIT FUTURE TERMS OF SERVICE FOR THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS TO THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE FULL FOUR (4)-YEAR TERMS, WHILE ALSO EXPANDING FUTURE TERMS OF COMMISSIONERS FROM THE CURRENT TWO (2) – YEAR TERMS TO FOUR (4)- YEAR TERMS?

YES _____

NO _____

If the proposed amendment is approved, Section 6 entitled, "Office of Commissioner and Mayor-at-Large" will read as indicated below:

Sec. 6. OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER AND MAYOR-AT-LARGE.

The City Commission shall consist of a number of electors of the city corresponding to the number of districts established pursuant to Article I, Section 3, of this Charter, one (1) Commissioner to be elected from each of said districts by vote of only the electors within that district, and a Mayor elected by vote of all electors within the City. In accordance with the laws governing municipal elections in Broward County, future elections shall be transitioned to be held on the first Tuesday in November of even number years during general elections. For the municipal general election of March 2012 the terms of office of City Commissioners who were elected from odd-numbered districts shall expire when successors are sworn in but not later than one week after the general election in November of 2014, and for the municipal general election of March 2013, the terms of office of City Commissioners who were elected from even-numbered districts shall expire when successors are sworn in but not later than one week after the general election in November of 2014. Successor Commissioners shall be elected for terms to fill seats for terms of two years or until their successors are elected and qualified to fill seats as terms expire in the respective districts. Also, for the municipal general election of March 2013, the term of office of the Mayor shall expire when a successor is sworn in but not later than one week after the general election in November of 2016. Successor Mayors shall be elected for terms of four (4) years or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Beginning with the election of City Commissioners in the municipal general election of November 2028, Commissioners shall be elected for terms of four-years and shall then also be limited to service of three consecutive four-year terms as Commissioners. In addition, beginning with the election of Mayor in the municipal general election of November 2028, the service of the Mayor shall also be limited to three consecutive four-year terms as Mayor. Any service in office of less than a complete four-year term shall not be counted toward such term limits.

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Words in underscored type are additions.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall become effective upon passage.

PASSED FIRST READING this _____ day of _____, 2026.

PASSED SECOND READING this _____ day of _____, 2026.

REX HARDIN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KERVIN ALFRED, CITY CLERK

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