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Ballot Title

For
Petition to allow Sweet Home voters to elect a mayor during the general election every two years

Caption

Charter amendment for direct election of the Mayor by voters

Question

Should the Sweet Home Charter be changed so that the Mayor is elected by voters, not by the City Council?

Summary

The Sweet Home Charter is the constitution of the City of Sweet Home. It was last amended in 2014. Currently, the Charter states that at its first meeting of the new term after a biennial election, the City Council shall elect from its membership a chairperson who shall be Mayor for a term of two years.

A "YES" vote changes the Charter to allow for direct election of the Mayor by the voters of the City of Sweet Home instead of the current process of the Mayor being elected by the City Council. The Mayor and Councilors currently in office would continue to serve in their offices for the remainder of their terms, three Councilors and the Mayor until January 2027, and the other three Councilors until January 2029.