

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019, A PROPOSITION TO AMEND SECTION 3.01 OF THE CITY CHARTER, AUTHORIZING THE NEWTON COUNTY CLERK TO CONDUCT SAID ELECTION AND FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO SUCH ELECTION, UNDER EMERGENCY MEASURE

WHEREAS, the voters of the City of Neosho adopted a Home Rule City Charter in 1973 and have subsequently approved amendments thereto, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Neosho, Missouri, desires to submit to the voters of the city, for their consideration certain proposals to further amend provisions of the City Charter, and

WHEREAS, Section 11.10 of the present City Charter and Article 6, Section 20 of the Missouri Constitution set forth the procedure for amending said Charter,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That an election shall be held in the City of Neosho on November 5, 2019, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters the hereinafter set forth a proposition to amend the City Charter. The ballot shall be substantially in the following form:

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
AMENDMENT OF CITY CHARTER
CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI
NOVEMBER 5, 2019**

Proposition No. 1

Shall Article III, Section 3.01, of the City of Neosho Charter be amended as proposed by the Neosho City Council to read as follows:

ARTICLE III-THE CITY MANAGER

Sec. 3.01, APPOINTMENT- REQUIREMENTS: The Council shall appoint a City Manager who shall devote full time to the duties of this office. Said Manager shall be chosen on the basis of executive and administrative qualifications with special reference to knowledge of, and experience in, municipal administration. The City Manager shall have a Neosho address and have no more than a thirty (30) minute response time to the Neosho City Hall.

Plain Language Explanation

This is an amendment to mandate the City Manager of the City of Neosho to have a Neosho address, and no more than a thirty (30) minute response time to the Neosho City Hall.

Financial Impact

This proposal will have no impact on the City of Neosho budget as it results in no costs or savings.

(VOTE FOR ONE)

FOR THE PROPOSITION

YES

FOR THE PROPOSITION

NO

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT this Charter amendment shall not become effective unless a majority of the ballots cast in the Election ordered in Section 1 of this Ordinance are "YES" votes, and in such event, the amendments, shall become effective on the 1st day of the first calendar quarter after said vote, to-wit: January 1, 2020.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT the City Clerk is hereby directed to deliver to the County Clerk a Notice of Election for publication as required by State Statutes in a newspaper of general circulation in Neosho, Missouri, that at the Municipal Election to be held on the 5th day of November, 2019, in the City of Neosho, there will be submitted to the registered voters of the City at such election the proposed Charter amendment. The Notice of election shall be published twice; the first publication occurring in the second week prior to the election and the second publication occurring within one week prior to the election.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT said election shall be held and conducted by the Newton County Clerk and the results thereof canvassed and returned in all respects in accordance with the laws of the State of Missouri and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Neosho. The City Clerk shall report the same to the Council at the next scheduled Council Meeting following the election.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon final passage and approval. Due to this Ordinance calling an election or providing for the submission of a proposal to the people, it is being passed under emergency measure as per City Charter Section 2.18.

APPROVED after final passage this 6th day of August, 2019.

ATTEST:

CITY OF NEOSHO, CITY COUNCIL

Cheyenne Wight
City Clerk

John H. Dink
Mayor

APPROVED:

Steve Hays
City Attorney

