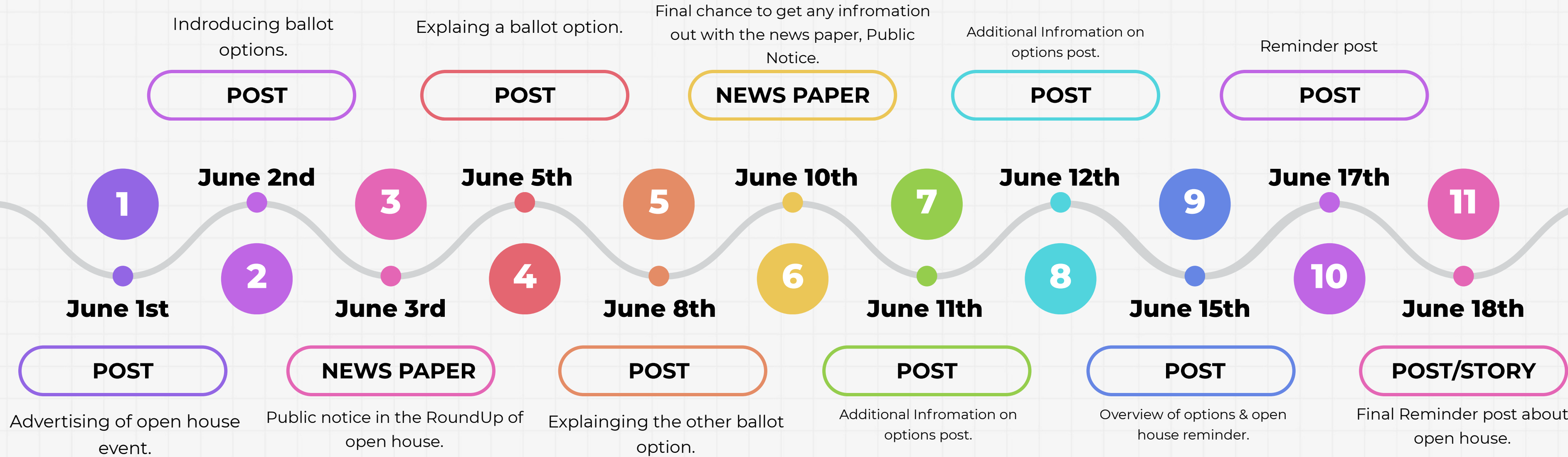




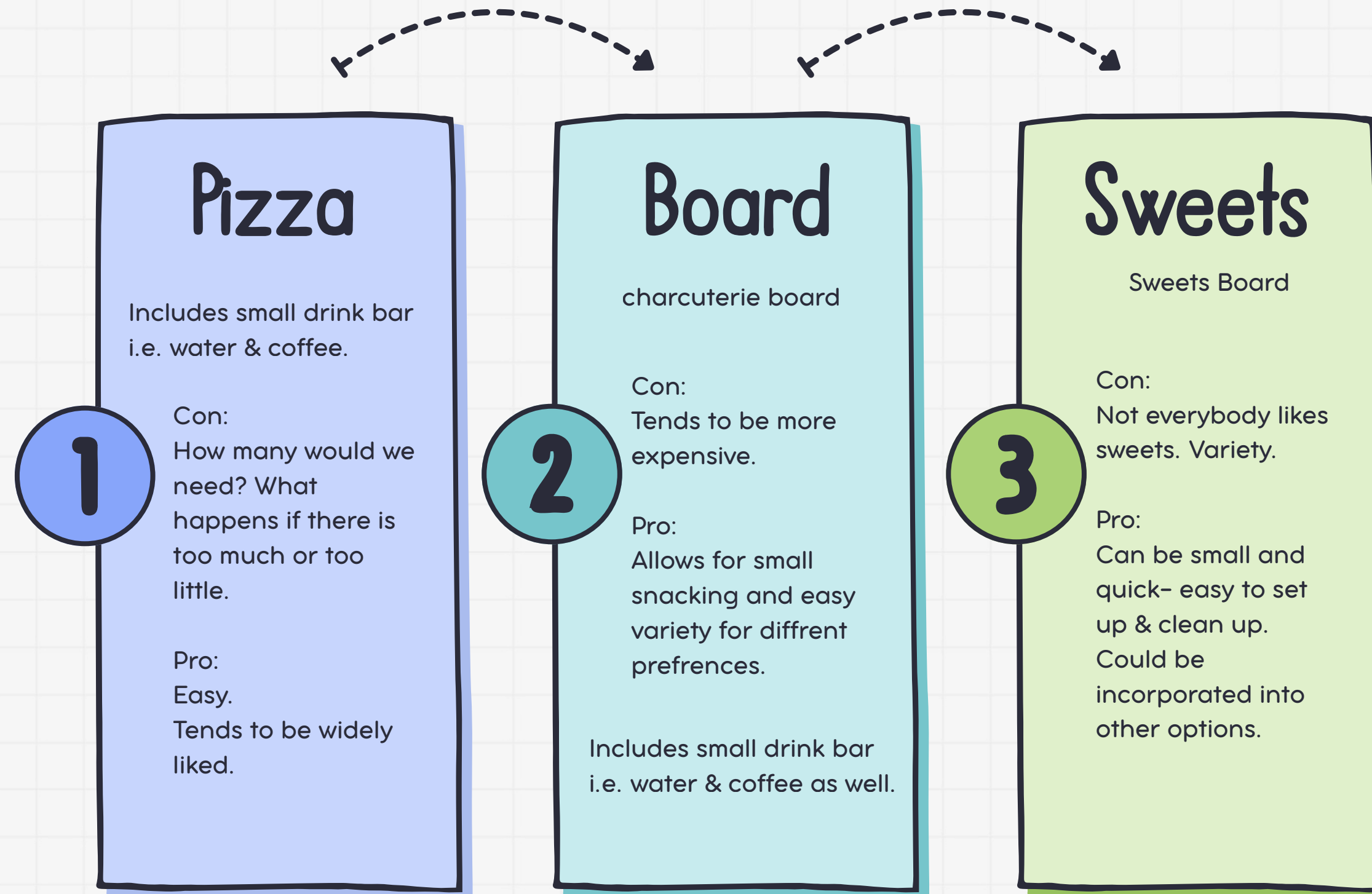
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Three posts a week should garner engagement without overcrowding the page.



OPTIONS





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SIDNEY BALLOT OPTIONS

CITY COUNCIL

CURRENT SYSTEM:

- Three Wards with two concil members from each ward.

OR

HYBRID SYSTEM:

- Three Wards with one concil member from each ward and the remining three voted in by the whole city.

AND

CITY POWERS

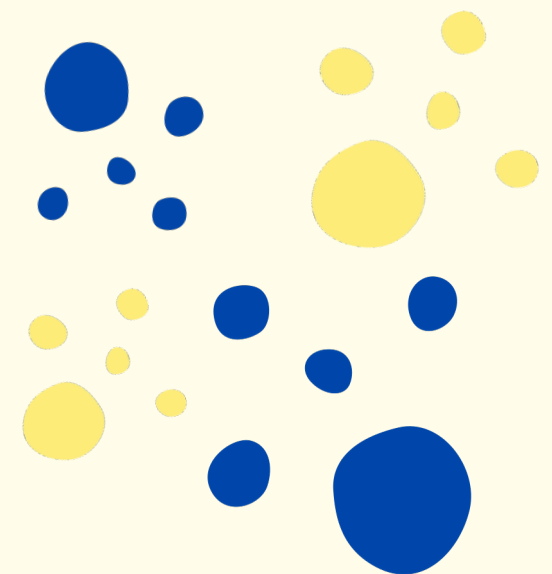
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- We can do anything that is not specifically prohibited by state law or the Constitution.

OR

GENERAL:

- (What we currently have): We can only do what state law specifically says it is allowed to do.



SELF GOVERNING POWERS

HERE'S WHAT WILL BE ON THE BALLOT:

Self Governing powers: A city can do anything that is not specifically prohibited by state law or the Constitution.

OR

General Powers (What we currently have): A city can only do what state law specifically says it is allowed to do.

HOWEVER, **SELF GOVERNING** POWERS COULD POSSIBLY LEAD TO SOME **UNCERTAIN LEGAL TERRITORIES.**

WITH SELF GOVERNING POWERS WE COULD:



INFRASTRUCTURE



CITY BUDGETS



PUBLIC SAFETY



LOCAL POLICIES

Sidney Upcoming Ballot Options:

HYBRID COUNCIL SYSTEM

Imagine Sidney is a pizza.

- 🍕 The whole pizza = the city
- 🍕 Each slice = a ward

Each slice gets a council member to represent them.

Their job?

- ✓ Talk about city issues
- ✓ Make decisions about budgets and projects
- ✓ Try not to argue longer than a Thanksgiving dinner

Some cities vote by ward.

Some vote citywide.

Some do both.

Different recipes... same pizza. 🍕

TAKE A LOOK



Our Options?

Currently: We have 3 wards with two representatives each totalling 6 memebers

But we have another option:

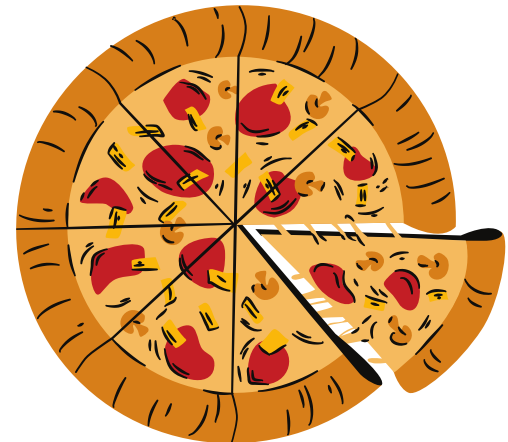
HYBRID COUNCIL:

We will still have 3 wards but now only one representative for each.
The other 3? They are elected at large. Still totaling 6 members.

That means we get 3 that represent the entirety of Sidney and not just the wards and 3 to represent the wards individually. You would vote for two candidates: 1 ward and 1 for the entire of Sidney

How do you want to be represented?

<https://cityofsidneymt.com/>



SELF-GOVERNING POWERS

WHAT THIS BALLOT QUESTION MEANS:

Self-Governing Powers:

A city may take action on local issues as long as state law doesn't forbid it.

General Powers (Current System):

A city may only do what state law specifically allows.

Note: Self-governing authority can offer flexibility, but may also create uncertain legal territory that requires interpretation.



Infrastructure



City Budgets



Public Safety



Local Policies



CITY OF SIDNEY: CITY COUNCIL

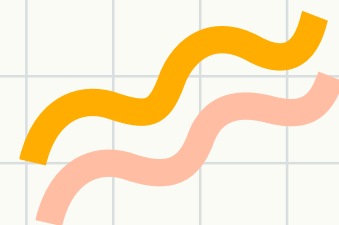
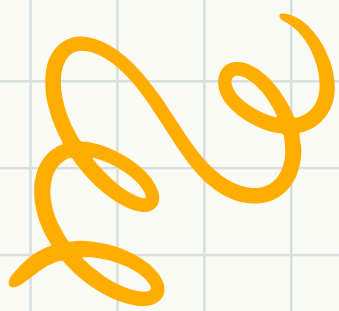
What are our upcoming
ballot options?



LETS TAKE A LOOK

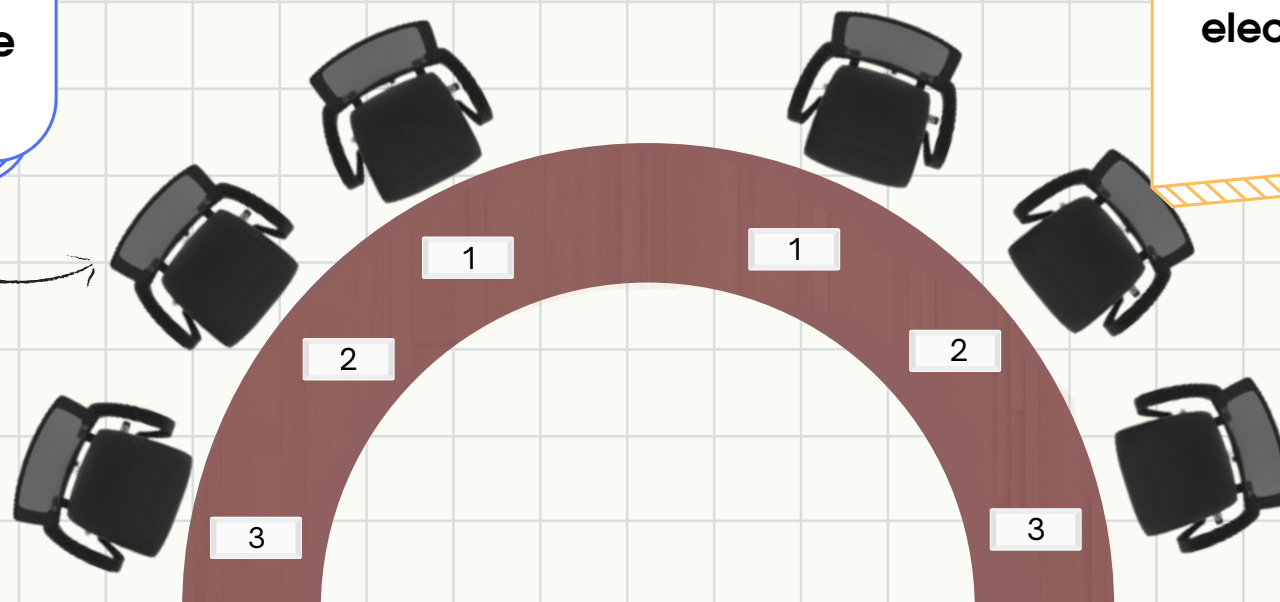


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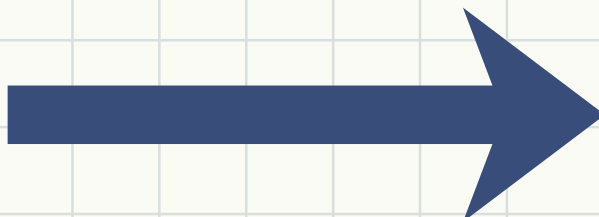
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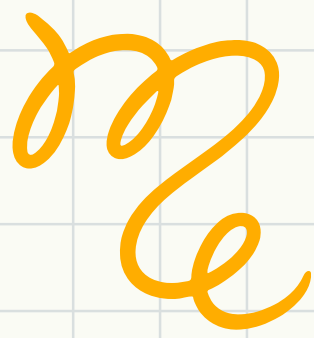
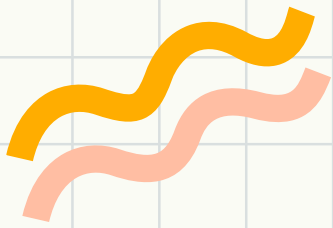
This half is also elected at the same time.



This half of the table is elected at the same time.

In our current system we have two ward members elected by wards. One from each up for election every two years. This creates a stable 3-and-3 rotation every two years.

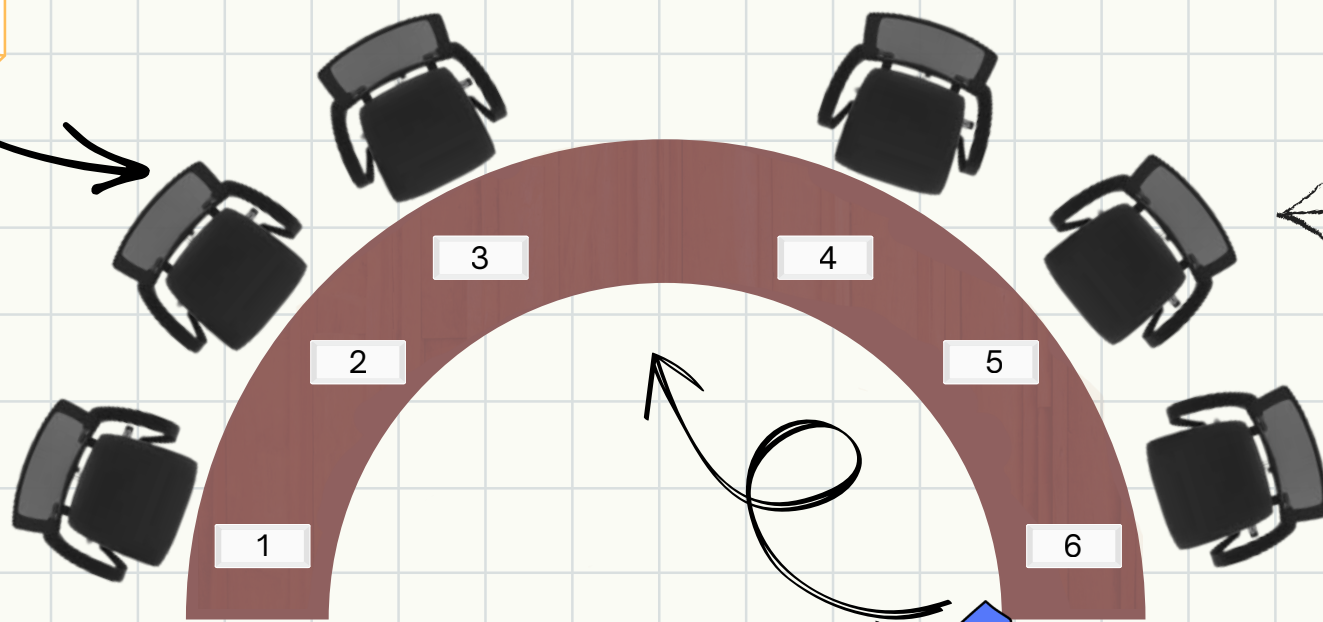




HYBRID SYSTEM:

This half of the table is ward elected city council members

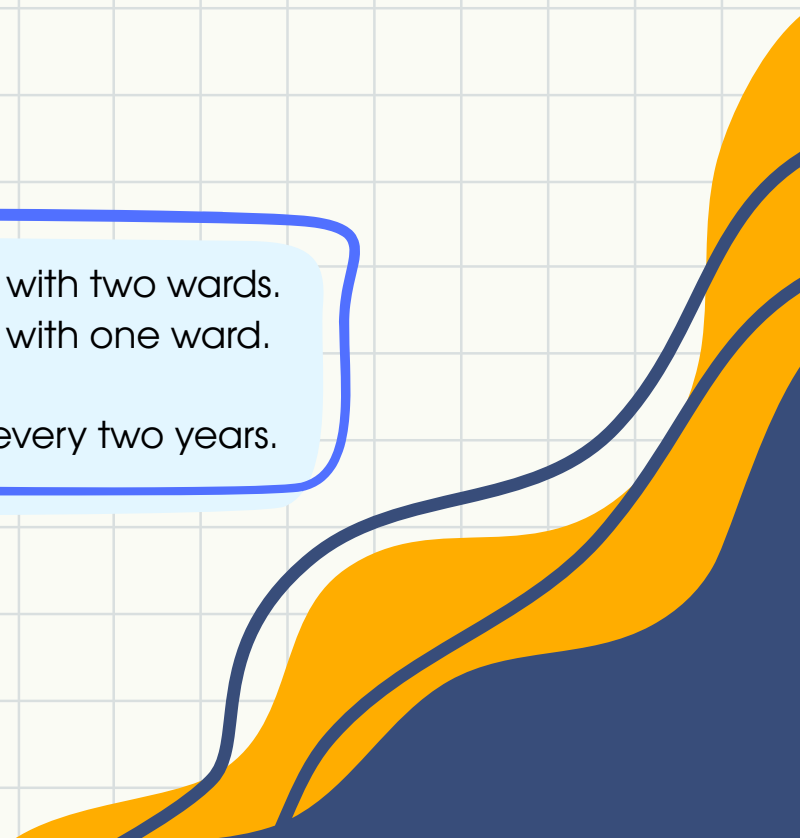
This half of the table is at large elected council members



Seats 5, 6 and 1 are up for election at the same time

Seats 2, 3 and 4 are up for election at the same time

One at-large seat shares a term cycle with two wards.
Two at-large seats share a term cycle with one ward.
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