

City of Sweet Home Charter includes the following language that should be modified:

- Delete from Chapter II, Section 3: "At its first meeting of the new term after each biennial general election, the council shall elect from its membership a chairperson who shall be mayor for a term of two years."
 - Since the Charter provides for the 7 councilors to elect a mayor from among themselves who is also on the council, you will need to modify the language so that there are only 6 councilors and 1 mayor who make up the council (or expand the council to 8 councilors and 1 mayor or some other combination)
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Whereas the voters of Sweet Home should be able to choose their own mayor;

Whereas this charter amendment ensures that the mayor is elected by the voters instead of appointed by city council; therefore

The City of Sweet Home Charter, Chapter II, Section 3 is amended as follows, with new language in **bold** and deleted language [*bracketed in italics*]:

Section 3. Council and Mayor.

Except as otherwise provided in this charter, all powers of the city shall be vested in a council of seven members nominated and elected from the city at large.

At each biennial general election, [*four*] **three** councilors and a **mayor** shall be elected. The **councilors** [*three receiving the highest number of votes*] shall each hold office for four years, and the **mayor** [*one receiving the number of votes next to the three highest*] shall

hold office for two years. Tie votes shall be determined by lot.

[*At its first meeting of the new term after each biennial general election, the council shall elect from its membership a chairperson who shall be mayor for a term of two years.*]

The mayor and councilors in office at the time of adoption of this charter shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms, with powers and duties as provided in this charter.