

SAMPLE BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER: To vote for the candidate of your choice, **fill in the oval next to the candidate you want to vote for.** Place your ballot inside the secrecy sleeve and then take your ballot to the ballot box.

If you make a mistake while voting, return the ballot to the election official for a new one. **A vote which has been erased or changed will not be counted.**

**CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA
OFFICIAL BALLOT
REGULAR ELECTION
OCTOBER 1, 2024**

Instructions:

To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice like this:

Use a blue or black ink pen to mark your ballot. **NO RED INK.** If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, fill in the oval and print the person's name on the blank line provided for a write-in candidate.

FOR MAYOR ONE to be elected Vote for no more than 1	PROPOSITION NO. 1
<input type="radio"/> Leah Mason <input type="radio"/> Steven Eisenbeisz <input type="radio"/> Write-in	Shall the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Sitka be amended to remove language in Section 11.13(g) referencing the Community Hospital? Informational: See ordinance 2024-16. This amendment is a housekeeping measure. Sitka Community Hospital closed on August 1, 2019, and no longer requires its own accounting system. <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
FOR ASSEMBLY TWO to be elected Vote for no more than 2	PROPOSITION NO. 2
<input type="radio"/> Kevin Mosher <input type="radio"/> Scott K. Saline <input type="radio"/> Robert Hattle <input type="radio"/> Austin W. Cranford <input type="radio"/> Write-in <input type="radio"/> Write-in	Shall the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Sitka be amended to align procedures for the recall of elected public officials with procedures contained in Alaska state law? Informational: See ordinance 2024-18. This amendment is a housekeeping measure. As a home rule municipality, the City and Borough of Sitka is prohibited from enacting procedures for the recall of elected public officials that are contrary to Alaska state law under AS 29.10.200. <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
FOR SCHOOL BOARD TWO to be elected Vote for no more than 2	
<input type="radio"/> Amanda Williams <input type="radio"/> Write-in <input type="radio"/> Write-in	

The following pages include all referenced ordinances:

- Ordinance 2024-16 is referenced in Proposition No. 1
- Ordinance 2024-18 is referenced in Proposition No. 2

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-16

BALLOT PROPOSITION OCTOBER 1, 2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA PROPOSING TO AMEND SECTION 11.13 "ADMINISTRATION OF BUDGET" OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND, SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF SUCH AN AMENDMENT TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS AT THE REGULAR ELECTION ON OCTOBER 1, 2024

(PASSED or FAILED) at the MUNICIPAL ELECTION on October 1, 2024

YES - XXXX

NO - XXXX

1. CLASSIFICATION. This ordinance is of a permanent nature and is intended to become a part of the Sitka Home Rule Charter.

2. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and application thereof to any person or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

3. PURPOSE. The purpose of this ordinance is to remove language referencing the Community Hospital from the Home Rule Charter (HRC) of the City and Borough of Sitka in Article XI "Finance" Section 11.13(g) "Administration of Budget – Centralized Accounting." Sitka Community Hospital closed on August 1, 2019, and no longer requires its own accounting system.

4. ENACTMENT. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka that the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Sitka, Section 11.13 "Administration of Budget," be amended by revising the language in Section 11.13 (g) Centralized Accounting to read as follows (deleted language stricken, new language underlined):

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**ARTICLE XI
FINANCE**

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Section 11.13 Administration of Budget

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(g) **Centralized Accounting.** Except for the school accounting system, ~~and the Community Hospital accounting system,~~ the assembly shall provide for centralized accounting for the municipality. However, at the request of the school board, the assembly shall incorporate the school accounts in the centralized system. ~~The assembly may choose, upon request of the hospital board or upon its own motion to incorporate hospital accounts in the centralized system.~~

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5. BALLOT PROPOSITION. The following question shall be placed on the ballot at the regular election on October 1, 2024:

Shall the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Sitka be amended to remove language in Section 11.13(g) referencing the Community Hospital?

Yes

No

Informational: See ordinance 2024-16. This amendment is a housekeeping measure. Sitka Community Hospital closed on August 1, 2019, and no longer requires its own accounting system.

6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective on the day after the date of its passage.

The amendment to the Charter set forth in Section 11.13(g) hereof shall only become effective if the ballot proposition set forth in Section 5 hereof is approved by a majority of the qualified voters at the regular election held on October 1, 2024.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska this 23rd day of July, 2024.



Steven Eisenbeisz, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sara Peterson, MMC
Municipal Clerk

1st reading: 7/9/2024

2nd and final reading: 7/23/2024

Sponsor: Administrator

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-18

BALLOT PROPOSITION OCTOBER 1, 2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA PROPOSING TO AMEND SECTION 6.02 "RECALL" OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND, SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF SUCH AN AMENDMENT TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS AT THE REGULAR ELECTION ON OCTOBER 1, 2024

(PASSED or FAILED) at the MUNICIPAL ELECTION on October 1, 2024

YES - XXXX

NO - XXXX

1. **CLASSIFICATION.** This ordinance is of a permanent nature and is intended to become a part of the Sitka Home Rule Charter.

2. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and application thereof to any person or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

3. **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Sitka to align the process for the recall of elected public officials of the municipality with prevailing state law. AS 29.10.200 prohibits home rule municipalities from enacting procedures related to the recall of elected public officials that are contrary to those provided in Alaska statutes.

4. **ENACTMENT.** NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka that the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Sitka, Section 6.02 "Recall," be amended by revising the language in Section 6.02 "Recall" to read as follows (deleted language stricken, new language underlined):

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ARTICLE VI
INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM AND RECALL

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Section 6.02 Recall

~~(a) **Elected Officials Subject to Recall.** All elected public officials of the municipality are subject to recall by the voters of the municipality. Procedures and grounds for recall shall be as prescribed by state statutes and this charter.~~

~~(b) **Petition.** Any five qualified municipal voters may commence recall proceedings by petition. The petition shall be signed by a number of qualified municipal voters equal to at least twenty per cent of the votes cast in the municipality at the preceding regular municipal election.~~

~~(c) **Election.** There shall be an election on a recall petition within 40 days of the certification of the petition. If a vacancy occurs in the office in question after a recall petition is filed, the petition shall not be submitted to the voters.~~

~~(d) **Subsequent Recall.** If an official is not recalled at the recall election, a petition to recall the same official shall not be filed sooner than one year after the recall election, unless grounds for recall occur subsequent to the date of the filing of the last recall petition.~~

~~(e) **Filling of Vacancy.** If the voters recall an official the vacant office shall be filled in the manner prescribed by Section 2.05 of this charter.~~

Section 6.02 Recall – Elected Public Officials

All elected public officials of the municipality are subject to recall by the voters of the municipality in accordance with procedures under state law.

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5. BALLOT PROPOSITION. The following question shall be placed on the ballot at the regular election on October 1, 2024:

Shall the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Sitka be amended to align procedures for the recall of elected public officials with procedures contained in Alaska state law?

Yes

No

Informational: See ordinance 2024-18. This amendment is a housekeeping measure. As a home rule municipality, the City and Borough of Sitka is prohibited from enacting procedures for the recall of elected public officials that are contrary to Alaska state law under AS 29.10.200.

6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective on the day after the date of its passage.

The amendment to the Charter set forth in Section 6.02 hereof shall only become effective if the ballot proposition set forth in Section 5 hereof is approved by a majority of the qualified voters at the regular election held on October 1, 2024.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska this 23rd day of July, 2024.



Steven Eisenbeisz, Mayor

ATTEST:



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