



City of Santa Fe, New Mexico

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Jamie Cassutt, District 4
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February 20, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL

MunicodeOrds@civicplus.com

Re: Changes for the City of Santa Fe Municode Website

On November 7, 2023, voters approved the following amendments to the City's Charter. Please remove the entire sections delineated below and replace these with the paragraphs below:

Article III – CITIZEN RIGHTS

3.01. – Referendum.

E. Number of signatures. A referendum petition shall be deemed sufficient if signed by qualified electors in an amount equal to fifteen percent or more of the number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor, including at least ten percent of the number of voters in each council district who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor. The city clerk shall determine the number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor both city-wide and per district.

3.02. – Initiative.

F. Number of signatures. An initiative petition shall be deemed sufficient if signed by qualified electors in an amount equal to fifteen percent or more of number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor, including at least ten percent of the number of voters in each council district who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor. The city clerk shall determine the number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor both city-wide and per district.



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3.03. – Recall.

G. Number of signatures.

[1] For mayor. A recall petition shall be deemed sufficient if signed by qualified electors in an amount equal to thirty-three and one third percent or more of the number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor, including at least fifteen percent of the number of voters in each council district who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor. The city clerk shall determine the number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor both city-wide and per district.

[2] For councilor. A recall petition shall be deemed sufficient if signed by qualified electors in an amount equal to thirty-three and one third percent or more of the number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor in the district from which the councilor was elected. The city clerk shall determine the number of voters who voted in the most recent election that included the election of the office of mayor in the district from which the councilor was elected.

Article X. – Charter Review and Amendment

10.01. – Charter review.

A charter review commission shall be appointed as needed, but not less frequently than every ten years. The charter review commission shall consist of nine members, one selected by each member of the governing body. The commissioners shall elect one member to be chair and one member to be vice-chair. The commission shall be appointed by the first week of the April the year before a regular local election at which the governing body would like the opportunity to present ballot questions to the voters. The governing body shall fund a budget adequate for the commission to perform its functions and the city attorney or the city attorney's designee, and no fewer than two additional employees identified by the City Manager, shall assist the commission to perform research and drafting functions for the commission. The creation of the commission and its function shall be advertised on a separate page of the city's web site and the page shall allow for the public to submit proposed amendments. The commission shall hold no less than two meetings in each of the city's council districts, for the purpose of taking input from the public. The commission shall recommend Charter amendments to the governing body on or before the first week of April, prior to the election when any such amendments are to be considered. The governing body shall consider and vote upon proposing the commission's recommended ballot questions.



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Please update the statement at the top of the document to state, “Contains amendments through November 7, 2023.”)

Please amend 11.04 Effective date of the charter to include “; AND AMENDED BY THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE AT A REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023” at the end of the sentence.

Additionally, please use the attached signature page pdf for the signature and seal at the end of 11.04.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me (505) 469-5813, asalazar@santafenm.gov.

Sincerely,

Andréa Salazar, City Clerk



ALAN WEBBER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



ANDRÉA SALAZAR, CITY CLERK

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