## TOWN OF VIENNA, VIRGINIA

## PROPOSED RESOLTION TO AMEND CHARTER

A proposed Resolution to Request the General Assembly to amend the Charter for the Town of Vienna; specifically, to amend Part 1 – Charter, Chapter 3, Elections of the Charter for the Town of Vienna.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly adopted amendments to Virginia Code §15.2-1400 providing that notwithstanding any town charter, any town currently providing for the election of its Mayor and governing body in May, such locality shall provide for the transition of such elections to the November general election date; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code §15.2-202 the Town has published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town and surrounding area notice of a public hearing to be held on that matter, the publication having been had at least ten days prior to conducting the public hearing, and

WHEREAS, the Town has in that publication given notice of the time and place of a hearing and published the text or an informative summary of the text of the proposed Charter amendments, and

WHEREAS, the Town conducted a public hearing on November 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, following the public hearing, the Town Council unanimously agreed that the General Assembly should be requested to amend the Town Charter, as published and discussed in the public hearing,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the General Assembly be and it is hereby requested to amend the Charter of the Town of Vienna, Virginia so as to read as follows:

**Section 1**: The Town Charter, Part 1 – Charter, Chapter 3, Elections of the Charter for the Town of Vienna, is requested to be amended and to read as follows:

## **CHAPTER 3. ELECTIONS**

## Sec. 3.1. Election of Mayor and Councilmen; composition of Town Council; terms of office of office of Mayor and Councilmen.

The Town of Vienna shall be governed by Town Council composed of a Mayor and six Councilmen who shall be qualified electors of the Town and who shall be elected in the following manner:

(a) In the Town election to be held on the first Tuesday in <u>NovemberMay</u>, <u>two thousand</u> <u>twenty-twonineteen hundred seventy-one</u>, <u>the Mayor and</u> three Council<u>membersmen</u> shall be elected for a term of <u>three (3) years one year and ten months</u>, said term to begin on the first day of <u>January</u>, <u>September</u>, <u>two thousand twenty-threenineteen</u>

hundred seventy-one, and expire on the last day of <u>December</u>June, <u>two thousand</u> <u>twenty-fivenineteen hundred seventy-three</u>.

- (b) In the Town elections to be held the first Tuesday in <u>November May</u>, <u>two thousand</u> <u>twenty-threenineteen hundred seventy two</u>, there shall be elected a <u>Mayor and</u> three Councilme<u>mbersn</u>, all of whom shall serve for a term of two years, such term to begin on the first day of <u>January</u>, two thousand twenty-fourJuly, nineteen hundred seventy-two, and expire on the last day of <u>DecemberJune</u>, two thousand twenty-seventwonineteen hundred seventy four.
- (c) Beginning with the Town election held in <u>two thousand twenty-fivenineteen hundred</u> seventy-two, the term of office for both the Mayor and all Councilmen shall be two years and shall begin on the first day of <u>January</u> July next following his or their elections in the November general elections.

Section 2:

Passed and adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.

Linda J. Colbert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

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