
CHAPTER III. FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Section 6. Where Powers Vested.



Except as this Charter provides otherwise, all powers of the City are vested in the Council.

Section 7. Council.



The Council is composed of a Mayor and six Councilors, all elected from the City at large.

Section 8. Councilors.

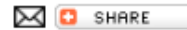


At each general election, three Councilors shall be elected, each for a term of four years. The three shall be elected without respect to position or area and the three candidates who receive the three greatest number of votes cast for such candidates are elected to the Council. If one or more vacancies on the Council, other than Mayor, are being filled at a general election, pursuant to Section 31 of this Charter, the vacant office or offices shall be filled by the person or persons receiving the next greatest number of votes. The term of office of each Councilor serving on July 1, 1980, continues for the full term to which the Councilor was elected or appointed.

No Councilor, including those serving on July 1, 1980, may be elected to a City office, or any combination of such offices, for a period to exceed eight (8) consecutive years.

(Amended November 2, 1976; May 20, 1980.)

Section 9. Qualifications of Council.



No person may fill an elective office of the City unless when elected or appointed to the office the person is a qualified elector of the state and has resided continuously in the City during the twelve months immediately preceding the election or appointment. A person, after taking office, must remain a resident of the City in order to continue to hold the office. For the purposes of this section, "City" means area in the City boundaries on the date of the election, except area withdrawn from the boundaries after the date of election. The Council is the final judge of the qualifications and election of its own members.