



City Manager's Office

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 11/14/2022

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Doug Thornley, City Manager Approved Electronically

FROM: Calli Wilsey, Director of Policy and Strategy
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SUBJECT: BDR S-354: Makes Changes to the City of Reno Charter

Staff has received the draft of BDR S-354 from the Legislative Council Bureau. This is in response to the City of Reno's bill draft request (BDR) seeking to revise the Charter of the City of Reno. The BDR must be prefiled by November 16, 2022, otherwise it is considered withdrawn. Staff is currently reviewing to ensure the language matches Council's intent. After reviewing, staff will authorize the language of the bill on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. Any substantive changes requested after that date would need to go through the standard amendment process during the legislative session.

Below is an initial summary of the bill. The full bill draft text is attached for reference. If you have any notes or questions about the bill's language, please send them to Nic Ciccone at cicconen@reno.gov.

Summary of BDR S-354

The bill amends the City of Reno Charter in the following ways:

- Eliminates gendered language throughout the Charter.
- Repeals changes scheduled to take effect January 2024 related to number of wards, makeup of elected offices, and other related provisions.
- Adds green infrastructure projects to the list of project types that could be authorized under local improvement law.

SUMMARY—Makes various changes to the Charter of the City of Reno. (BDR S-354)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

AN ACT relating to the City of Reno; replacing gendered language with gender neutral language in certain provisions of the Charter of the City of Reno; authorizing the City Council of the City of Reno to engage in green infrastructure projects; repealing provisions related to the elimination of the office of the Council Member who represents the City at large and the creation of the sixth ward of the City that were to become effective on January 1, 2024; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

The existing Charter of the City of Reno divides the City into five wards, each of which is represented on the City Council by a Council Member. A sixth Council Member represents the City at large. (Reno City Charter §§ 1.050, 2.010) Beginning January 1, 2024, the Charter of the City of Reno will: (1) divide the City of Reno into six wards; and (2) replace the office of the Council Member at large with the office of the Council Member to represent the newly created sixth ward. (Sections 2 and 5 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at pages 4197, 4198)

Section 31 of this bill repeals: (1) the provision that divides the City of Reno into six wards; (2) the provisions replacing the office of the Council Member at large with the office of the Council



Member to represent the newly created sixth ward; and (3) certain provisions making conforming changes relating to the division of the City of Reno into six wards and the replacement of the Council Member at large. **Section 30** of this bill makes a conforming change to provide for the continuation of: (1) the division of the City of Reno into five wards; and (2) the office of the Council Member at large after December 31, 2023.

The existing Charter of the City of Reno authorizes the City Council to acquire, improve, equip, operate and maintain, convert to or authorize certain local improvements. (Reno City Charter § 6.010) **Section 18** of this bill authorizes the City Council to also acquire, improve, equip, operate and maintain, convert to or authorize green infrastructure projects.

Sections 1-17 and 19-29 of this bill replace gendered language in the Charter of the City of Reno with gender neutral language.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 1.070 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 4197, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.070 Elective offices: Vacancies. ~~Effective through December 31, 2023.~~



1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a vacancy in the City Council or in the office of City Attorney or Municipal Judge must be filled by a majority vote of the members of the City Council within 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy. A person may be selected to fill a prospective vacancy in the City Council before the vacancy occurs. In filling a prospective vacancy, each member of the Council, except any member whose term of office expires before the occurrence of the vacancy, may participate in any action taken by the Council pursuant to this section. The appointee must have the same qualifications as are required of the elective official. The appointee shall serve until the next general municipal election and until ~~his or her~~ a successor is elected and qualified.

2. If a prospective vacancy or vacancy occurs in the office of a City Council Member, in lieu of appointment, the City Council may, by resolution, declare a special election to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. The resolution declaring a special election must be adopted within 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy and must state the date set by the City Council for the special election. In the case of a prospective vacancy, the Council may adopt the resolution before the vacancy occurs, but the special election may not be held until after the vacancy occurs. The special election must be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the resolution declaring the special election and section 5.030 of this Charter. A person elected to fill a vacancy at a special election must have the same qualifications as are required of the elected official.



3. A candidate at a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of a City Council Member who represents a ward must be elected only by the registered voters of the ward that the candidate seeks to represent.

Sec. 2. Section 1.080 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1818, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.080 Mayor and Council Members not to hold other office or employment.

1. The Mayor and Council Members shall not:

(a) Hold any other elective or appointive office, except as provided by law or as a member of a board or commission which is ancillary to the office of Mayor or Council Member and for which no compensation is received.

(b) Hold any other employment with the County, the City or any other political subdivision of the State which is governed or advised by a board or commission to which the Mayor or Council Member may be appointed in the course of ~~his or her~~ *performing the* duties ~~as~~ *of* Mayor or Council Member.

(c) Be appointed to any office or position created by or the compensation for which was increased or fixed by the City Council until 1 year after the expiration of the term for which the Mayor or Council Member was elected.

2. Any person who violates the provisions of subsection 1 shall automatically forfeit ~~his or her~~ *the person's* office.



Sec. 3. Section 1.100 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 769, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.100 Appointive officers and appointive employees: Miscellaneous provisions.

1. All appointive officers and appointive employees, except the City Clerk and ~~his or her~~ *the* deputy ~~of~~ *of the City Clerk*, shall perform such duties as are designated by the City Manager.

2. Any employee of the City holding a Civil Service rating under the City who is appointed to any appointive office or appointive position does not lose ~~his or her~~ *the employee's* Civil Service rating while serving in that appointive office or appointive position.

3. The City Council may require from all other officers and employees of the City constituted or appointed under this Charter, except the Mayor and Council Members, sufficient security for the faithful and honest performance of their respective duties.

Sec. 4. Section 1.130 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1964, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.130 Oath of office. Every person elected or appointed to fill any office shall subscribe to the official oath as provided by the City Council. Every such person shall swear or affirm that ~~he or she~~ *the person* is not under any direct or indirect obligation to vote for, appoint or elect any person to any office, position or employment in the City government.



Sec. 5. Section 1.140 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, as amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 770, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.140 Charter Committee: Appointment; terms; qualifications; vacancies; compensation.

1. The Charter Committee must be appointed as follows:

(a) Each Council Member shall appoint one member;

(b) The Mayor shall appoint one member;

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the members of the Senate delegation representing the residents of the City and belonging to the majority party of the Senate shall appoint two members;

(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the members of the Senate delegation representing the residents of the City and belonging to the minority party of the Senate shall appoint one member;

(e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the members of the Assembly delegation representing the residents of the City and belonging to the majority party of the Assembly shall appoint two members; and

(f) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the members of the Assembly delegation representing the residents of the City and belonging to the minority party of the Assembly shall appoint one member.

2. The:



(a) Majority Leader of the Senate shall appoint the members of the Charter Committee described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 if there are no members of the Senate representing the residents of the City and belonging to the majority party of the Senate.

(b) Minority Leader of the Senate shall appoint the member of the Charter Committee described in paragraph (d) of subsection 1 if there are no members of the Senate representing the residents of the City and belonging to the minority party of the Senate.

(c) Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint the members described in paragraph (e) of subsection 1 if there are no members of the Assembly representing the residents of the City and belonging to the majority party of the Assembly.

(d) Minority Leader of the Assembly shall appoint the member of the Charter Committee described in paragraph (f) of subsection 1 if there are no members of the Assembly representing the residents of the City and belonging to the minority party of the Assembly.

3. Each member of the Charter Committee:

(a) If appointed by a Council Member or the Mayor, serves during the term of the person by whom ~~he or she~~ *the member of the Charter Committee* was appointed;

(b) If appointed by members of the Senate delegation or the Majority Leader or Minority Leader of the Senate, serves a term of 4 years;

(c) If appointed by members of the Assembly delegation or the Speaker or Minority Leader of the Assembly, serves a term of 2 years;

(d) Must be a registered voter in the City; and



(e) Must reside in the City during ~~his or her~~ *the* term of office ~~of~~ *of the member of the Charter Committee.*

4. If a vacancy occurs on the Charter Committee, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

5. Members of the Charter Committee are entitled to receive compensation, in an amount set by ordinance of the City Council, for each full meeting of the Charter Committee they attend.

Sec. 6. Section 2.010 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 327, Statutes of Nevada 1999, at page 1366, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2.010 Mayor and City Council: Qualifications; election; term of office; salary.

~~[Effective through December 31, 2023.]~~

1. The legislative power of the City is vested in a City Council consisting of six Council Members and a Mayor.

2. The Mayor and Council Members must be qualified electors within the City. Each Council Member elected from a ward must continue to live in that ward for as long as ~~he or she~~ *the Council Member* represents the ward.

3. The Mayor and one Council Member represent the City at large and one Council Member represents each ward. The Mayor and Council Members serve for terms of 4 years.

4. The Mayor and Council Members are entitled to receive a salary in an amount fixed by the City Council.



Sec. 7. Section 2.030 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1820, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2.030 City Council: Discipline of members and other persons; subpoena power.

1. The City Council may:

(a) Provide for the punishment of the City Clerk or any member for disorderly conduct committed in its presence.

(b) Order the attendance of witnesses and the production of all papers relating to any business before the City Council.

2. If any person ordered to appear before the City Council fails to obey such an order:

(a) The City Council or any member thereof may apply to the clerk of the district court for a subpoena commanding the attendance of the person before the City Council.

(b) The clerk of the district court may issue the subpoena, and any peace officer may serve it.

(c) If the person upon whom the subpoena is served fails to obey it, the court may issue an order to show cause why the person should not be held in contempt of court and upon the hearing of the matter may adjudge the person guilty of contempt and punish ~~him or her~~ *the person* accordingly.

Sec. 8. Section 2.080 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1821, is hereby amended to read as follows:



Sec. 2.080 Powers of City Council: Ordinances, resolutions and orders; waiver of salary and benefits.

1. The City Council may make and pass all ordinances, resolutions and orders not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the State of Nevada, or to the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes or of this Charter, necessary for the municipal government and the management of the affairs of the City, and for the execution of all the powers vested in the City.

2. When power is conferred upon the City Council to do and perform anything and the manner of exercising such power is not specifically provided for, the City Council may provide by ordinance the manner and details necessary for the full exercise of such power.

3. The City Council may enforce ordinances by providing penalties not to exceed those established by the Legislature for misdemeanors.

4. The City Council shall have such powers, not in conflict with the express or implied provisions of this Charter, as are conferred generally by statute upon the governing bodies of cities organized under a special charter.

5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection 6, the City Council shall not pass any ordinance or resolution increasing or diminishing the salary of any elective officer during the term for which ~~he or she~~ *the elective officer* is elected or appointed. The City Council may pass an ordinance increasing the salary of a Municipal Judge during the term for which ~~he or she~~ *the Municipal Judge* is elected or appointed.



6. Except as otherwise prohibited or limited by statute or regulation or as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Mayor and any Council Member may waive the payment of any part of the salary and benefits otherwise payable to ~~him or her~~ *the Mayor or Council Member, as applicable*, during any budget year. Any such waiver must be in writing, does not extend beyond the current term of the Mayor or Council Member and may not be rescinded.

Sec. 9. Section 3.010 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1824, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3.010 Mayor: Duties; Vice Mayor.

1. The Mayor:

- (a) Shall serve as a member of the City Council and preside over its meetings.
- (b) Shall not have any administrative duties.
- (c) Must be recognized as the head of the City Government for all ceremonial purposes.
- (d) Shall determine the order of business at meetings pursuant to the rules of the City Council.
- (e) Is entitled to vote and shall vote last on all roll call votes.
- (f) Shall take all proper measures for the preservation of the public peace and order and for the suppression of riots and all forms of public disturbance, for which ~~he or she~~ *the Mayor* is authorized to appoint extra police officers temporarily and without regard to Civil



Service rules and regulations, and to call upon the County Sheriff or, if that force is inadequate, to call upon the Governor for assistance.

(g) Shall perform such other duties, except administrative duties, as are prescribed by ordinance or by the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes which apply to a mayor of a city organized pursuant to the provisions of a special charter.

2. At the first regular City Council meeting in November of each year or whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of Vice Mayor, the City Council shall elect one of the Council Members to be Vice Mayor. That person:

(a) Holds that office and title, without additional compensation, for a term of 1 year or until removed after a hearing for cause by a vote of six-sevenths of the City Council or the office otherwise becomes vacant.

(b) Shall perform the duties of Mayor during the absence or disability of the Mayor.

(c) Shall act as Mayor if the office of Mayor becomes vacant until the vacancy is filled pursuant to section 1.070 of this Charter.

Sec. 10. Section 3.020 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 4199, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3.020 City Manager: Duties; compensation; residency; vacancy.

1. The City Manager is the Chief Executive and Administrative Officer of the City Government. ~~He or she~~ *The City Manager* is responsible to the City Council for the proper administration of all affairs of the City. The duties and salary of the City Manager must be



fixed by the City Council and ~~he or she~~ *the City Manager* is entitled to be reimbursed for all expenses incurred in the performance of ~~his or her~~ *the* duties ~~of~~ *of City Manager*.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the City Manager must actually, as opposed to constructively, reside in the State. A person who is appointed as City Manager by the City Council must become an actual resident of the State not later than 6 months after the date of ~~his or her~~ *the* appointment ~~of~~ *of the City Manager*.

3. Any vacancy in the City Manager position must be filled by the City Council not later than 6 months after the vacancy occurs.

4. Subject to the provisions of section 1.090, the City Manager may appoint such staff as ~~he or she~~ *the City Manager* deems necessary for the proper functioning of the City.

5. The City Manager may designate an acting City Manager to serve in ~~his or her~~ *the* absence *of the City Manager* or, if ~~he or she~~ *the City Manager* fails to do so, the City Council may appoint an acting City Manager.

6. No member of the City Council may be appointed as City Manager during the term for which ~~he or she~~ *the member of the City Council* was elected, or for 1 year thereafter.

7. The City Manager shall appoint all officers and employees of the City and may remove any officer or employee of the City except as otherwise provided in this Charter. The City Manager may authorize the head of a department or office to appoint or remove ~~his or her~~ *the* subordinates ~~of~~ *of the City Manager*.



Sec. 11. Section 3.030 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by chapter 210, Statutes of Nevada 1997, at page 736, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3.030 City Manager: Removal.

1. The City Council may remove the City Manager from office in accordance with the procedure contained in this section.
2. The City Council shall adopt by affirmative vote of a majority of all its members a preliminary resolution which must state the reasons for removal and may suspend the City Manager from duty for a period not to exceed 15 days. A copy of the resolution must be delivered promptly to the City Manager.
3. Within 5 days after a copy of the resolution is delivered to the City Manager, ~~he or she~~ *the City Manager* may file with the City Council a written request for a public hearing. The public hearing must be held at a City Council meeting not earlier than 15 days nor later than 30 days after the request is filed. The City Manager may file with the City Council a written reply not later than 5 days before the hearing.
4. The City Council may adopt a final resolution of removal, which may be made effective immediately, by affirmative vote of a majority of all its members, at any time after 5 days from the date when a copy of the preliminary resolution was delivered to the City Manager if ~~he or she~~ *the City Manager* has not requested a public hearing or at any time after the public hearing if ~~he or she~~ *the City Manager* has requested one.



5. The City Manager is entitled to receive ~~his or her~~ *the* salary *of City Manager* until the effective date of the final resolution of removal.

Sec. 12. Section 3.040 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 772, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3.040 City Clerk: Duties.

1. The City Clerk shall:

(a) Keep the corporate seal and all books and papers belonging to the City.

(b) Attend all meetings of the City Council and keep an accurate journal of its proceedings, including a record of all ordinances, bylaws and resolutions passed or adopted by it. After approval at each meeting of the City Council, the City Clerk shall attest the journal after it has been signed by the Mayor.

(c) Sign all warrants for payment issued.

(d) Number and sign all business licenses issued by the City. All business licenses must be in a form devised by the City Clerk and approved by the City Council.

(e) Enter upon the journal the result of the vote of the City Council upon the passage of ordinances, or of any resolution appropriating money, abolishing licenses, or increasing or decreasing the rates of licenses.

(f) Be the official collector of all business license fees and penalties of the City, and all money making up the City revenues, except general taxes and special assessments, must be paid over to ~~him or her~~ *the City Clerk*.



2. The City Clerk has custody of all the official records of the City. ~~He or she~~ *The City Clerk* is responsible to the City Council for the proper discharge of ~~his or her~~ *the* duties ~~of~~ *of City Clerk*. The duties and salary of the City Clerk are fixed by the City Council, and ~~he or she~~ *the City Clerk* is entitled to be reimbursed for all expenses incurred in the performance of ~~his or her~~ *the* duties ~~of~~ *of City Clerk*.

3. The City Clerk may, with approval of the City Council, appoint one Chief Deputy City Clerk and one Manager of Record Systems, who are appointive officers and not subject to the provisions of article IX of this Charter.

4. The City Clerk may designate a member of ~~his or her~~ *the* staff *of the City Clerk* as acting City Clerk to:

(a) Administer oaths; and

(b) Perform all the duties of the City Clerk in ~~his or her~~ *the* absence ~~of~~ *of the City Clerk*.

Sec. 13. Section 3.060 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 772, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3.060 City Attorney: Qualifications; duties; salary.

1. The City Attorney must be a duly licensed member of the State Bar of Nevada and a qualified elector within the City. Once elected, ~~he or she~~ *the City Attorney* shall hold office for a term of 4 years and until ~~his or her~~ *a* successor is duly elected and qualified.

2. The City Attorney is the Legal Officer of the City and shall:



- (a) Perform such duties as are designated by ordinance;
- (b) Be present at all meetings of the City Council;
- (c) Be counsel for the Commission;
- (d) Devote ~~his or her~~ *the* full time *of the City Attorney* to the duties of the office; and
- (e) Not engage in the private practice of law.

3. The City Attorney is entitled to receive a salary as fixed by resolution of the City Council.

4. As ~~he or she~~ *the City Attorney* requires in the discharge of the duties of ~~his or her~~ *the* office ~~of~~ *of City Attorney*, the City Attorney may:

(a) Appoint and remove any professional and paraprofessional legal staff, including, without limitation, attorneys, paralegals, investigators, an office administrator and an executive assistant. Professional and paraprofessional legal staff must not be Civil Service employees.

(b) Appoint and remove clerical staff, including, without limitation, management assistants, legal secretaries and advocates. Clerical staff must not be Civil Service employees.

5. The Council may appropriate such an amount of money as it deems proper to compensate the professional and paraprofessional legal staff and clerical staff appointed by the City Attorney pursuant to subsection 4.

6. Any attorney or paralegal who is employed for more than 20 hours per week by the City Attorney shall not engage in the private practice of law.



Sec. 14. Section 5.010 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 4200, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5.010 General elections. ~~[Effective through December 31, 2023.]~~

1. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2002, and at each successive interval of 6 years, there must be elected at the general election, a Municipal Judge, who holds office for a term of 6 years and until ~~his or her~~ a successor has been elected and qualified.

2. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2002, and at each successive interval of 4 years, there must be elected at the general election, a Mayor, Council Members from the second and fourth wards, and a City Attorney, all of whom hold office for a term of 4 years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

3. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2004, and at each successive interval of 6 years, there must be elected at the general election, one or more Municipal Judges, other than the Municipal Judge referred to in subsection 1, all of whom hold office for a term of 6 years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

4. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2004, and at each successive interval of 4 years, there must be elected at the general election, Council Members from the first, third and fifth wards and one Council



Member at large, all of whom hold office for a term of 4 years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

5. In the general election:

(a) A candidate for the office of Council Member who represents a ward must be elected only by the registered voters of the ward that the candidate seeks to represent.

(b) Candidates for the offices of Mayor, Municipal Judge, City Attorney and Council Member at large must be elected by the registered voters of the city at large.

Sec. 15. Section 5.060 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by chapter 669, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 2055, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5.060 Ballots for ordinances and Charter amendments. An ordinance or Charter amendment to be voted on in the City shall be presented for voting by ballot title. The ballot title of a measure may differ from its legal title and shall be a clear, concise statement describing the substance of the measure without argument or prejudice. Below the ballot title shall appear the following question: "Shall the above described (ordinance) (amendment) be adopted?" The ballot or voting machine or device shall be so marked as to indicate clearly in what manner the voter may cast ~~his or her~~ a vote, either for or against the ordinance or amendment.

Sec. 16. Section 5.080 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1979, is hereby amended to read as follows:



Sec. 5.080 Watchers and challengers. A candidate is entitled upon written application to the election authorities at least 5 days before the election to appoint two persons to represent ~~him or her~~ *the candidate* as watchers and challengers at each polling place where voters may cast their ballots for ~~him or her~~ *the candidate*. A person so appointed has all the rights and privileges prescribed by watchers and challengers under the election laws of this State. The watchers and challengers may exercise their rights throughout the voting and until the ballots have been counted.

Sec. 17. Section 5.100 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 619, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 4139, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5.100 Election returns; canvass; certificates of election; entry of officers upon duties; tie vote procedure.

1. The election returns from any special, primary or general election must be filed with the City Clerk, who shall immediately place those returns in a safe or vault, and no person may handle, inspect or in any manner interfere with those returns until canvassed by the City Council.

2. The City Council and City Manager shall meet within the time set forth in NRS 293C.387 after any election and canvass the returns and declare the result. The election returns must then be sealed and kept by the City Clerk for 6 months, and no person may have access thereto except on order of a court of competent jurisdiction or by order of the City Council.



3. The City Clerk, under ~~his or her~~ *the* hand and official seal ~~of~~ *of the City Clerk,* shall issue to each person declared to be elected a certificate of election. The officers elected shall qualify and enter upon the discharge of their respective duties at the first regular City Council meeting following their election.

4. If any election results in a tie, the City Council shall summon the candidates who received the tie vote and determine the tie as provided in this subsection. The City Clerk shall provide and open in the presence of the candidates who received the tie vote an unused 52-card deck of playing cards, removing any jokers and blank cards. The City Clerk shall shuffle the cards thoroughly and present the shuffled deck to the City Manager, or to the person designated by the City Manager for this purpose. One of the candidates who received the tie vote shall then draw one card from the deck, and the City Clerk shall record the suit and number of the card. The card then must be returned to the deck, and the City Clerk shall shuffle the cards thoroughly and present the shuffled deck to the City Manager, or to the person designated by the City Manager for this purpose, and another of the candidates who received the tie vote shall draw one card from the deck. This process must be repeated until each of the candidates who received the tie vote has drawn one card from the deck and the result of each draw has been recorded. The candidate who draws the high card shall be deemed the winner of the election. For the purposes of this subsection, aces are high and twos are low. If the candidates draw cards of otherwise equal value, the card of the higher suit is the high card. Spades are highest, followed in descending order by hearts, clubs and diamonds. The City Clerk shall issue to the winner a certificate of election.



Sec. 18. Section 6.010 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1831, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6.010 Local improvement law. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of section 2.140 and section 2.150, the City Council, on behalf of the City and in its name, without any election, may from time to time acquire, improve, equip, operate and maintain, convert to or authorize:

1. Curb and gutter projects;
2. Drainage projects;
3. *Green infrastructure projects;*
4. Off-street parking projects;
- ~~[4.]~~ 5. Overpass projects;
- ~~[5.]~~ 6. Park projects;
- ~~[6.]~~ 7. Sanitary sewer projects;
- ~~[7.]~~ 8. Security walls;
- ~~[8.]~~ 9. Sidewalk projects;
- ~~[9.]~~ 10. Storm sewer projects;
- ~~[10.]~~ 11. Street projects;
- ~~[11.]~~ 12. Underground electric and communication facilities;
- ~~[12.]~~ 13. Underpass projects;
- ~~[13.]~~ 14. Water projects; and



~~[14]~~ 15. Any other projects authorized by the laws of the State, including, without limitation, chapter 271 of NRS.

Sec. 19. Section 7A.060 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 460, Statutes of Nevada 1979, at page 860, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 7A.060 “Mailed notice,” “notice by mail” defined.

1. “Mailed notice” or “notice by mail” means the giving by the Engineer, City Clerk, or any deputy thereof, as determined by the City Council, of any designated written or printed notice addressed to the last-known owner or owners of each tract in a tax increment area or other designated person at ~~this, her or their~~ *the* last-known address or addresses *of the owner or owners* by deposit, at least 20 days prior to the designated hearing or other time or event, in the United States mail, postage prepaid as first-class mail.

2. The names and addresses of such property owners shall be obtained from the records of the County Assessor or from such other source or sources as the City Clerk or the Engineer deems reliable. Any list of such names and addresses pertaining to any tax increment area may be revised from time to time, but such a list need not be revised more frequently than at 12-month intervals if any such list is needed for a period longer than 12 months.

3. Any mailing of any notice required in this article shall be verified by the affidavit or certificate of the Engineer, City Clerk, deputy, or other person mailing the notice, which verification shall be retained in the records of the City at least until all bonds and any other securities pertaining to a Tax Increment Account have been paid in full, or any claim is barred by a statute of limitations.



4. Such verification of mailing is prima facie evidence of the mailing of such notice in accordance with the requirements of this section.

Sec. 20. Section 7A.180 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 460, Statutes of Nevada 1979, at page 865, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 7A.180 Final order of undertaking.

1. After the provisional order hearing and the consideration of all matters in the premises, and in the event of any material changes other than the deletion of a part of the undertaking and any modification of the tax increment area to conform to such modification under subsection 2 of section 7A.160, after the supplemental provisional order hearing and the consideration of any supplemental matters in the premises, the City Council shall determine whether to proceed under this article. If it has ordered any modification and desires to proceed, it shall direct the Engineer to modify appropriately the plans, estimates and statements filed by ~~him or her~~ *the Engineer* with the City Clerk under subsection 5 of section 7A.140.

2. The Engineer, if so directed, shall appropriately modify them and shall forthwith file the modified plans, estimates and statements with the City Clerk.

3. When such plans, estimates and statements are prepared, filed with the City Clerk and are satisfactory to the City Council, it shall by ordinance overrule all complaints, protests and objections not otherwise acted upon, unconditionally order the undertaking, as modified if modified, describe the tax increment area pertaining thereto, and create the Tax Increment Account therefor.



4. The ordinance may be adopted in the same manner as is provided in cases of emergency or may be introduced and adopted as a regular measure.

Sec. 21. Section 9.020 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, as last amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 774, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.020 Civil Service and exempt positions.

1. A Civil Service System is created for the selection, appointment and promotion of all employees of the City except:

(a) Any elected official described in section 1.060 or person who is appointed to fill a vacancy pursuant to section 1.070.

(b) A person who serves as a member of any board, commission, committee or other body created pursuant to the authority of the City.

(c) An appointive officer or appointive employee.

(d) A person employed by the City for less than 18 hours per week or 234 hours per fiscal quarter, whichever is greater.

(e) A person who is not subject to the provisions of this article pursuant to section 3.020, 3.040 or 3.060.

(f) A person for whose position half or more of the money is provided by a source other than the City.

(g) An employee of the Municipal Court who is hired directly by the Court.



2. The provisions of this article are not applicable to the selection, appointment, promotion, demotion, transfer, suspension, discipline or dismissal of any person described in subsection 1.

3. Any employee whose position was within the provisions of the Civil Service System before June 2, 2013, shall retain all rights and benefits to which ~~he or she~~ *the employee* would otherwise be entitled under the Civil Service System.

Sec. 22. Section 9.030 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, as last amended by chapter 89, Statutes of Nevada 1995, at page 109, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.030 Civil Service Commission: Number, appointment, qualifications, terms, compensation of members.

1. A Civil Service Commission is created to carry out the provisions of this article. The Commission consists of seven members appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council.

2. Members must:

- (a) Be residents of the City.
- (b) Have no other connection with the City government.
- (c) Hold no elective office.
- (d) Serve for terms of five years.
- (e) Receive compensation as provided by City ordinance.



3. One term of office shall begin on the second Monday in July in each successive year.

A member shall serve until ~~his or her~~ a successor is appointed and qualified. A vacancy occurring during a term must be filled by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council for the remainder of that term.

Sec. 23. Section 9.060 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, as last amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 774, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.060 Rules.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Commission shall adopt or amend rules for the Civil Service System, consistent with the provisions of this article. The Commission shall give or cause to be given at least 10 days' notice of the time and place of a public meeting of the Commission on proposed rules by posting the notice and a copy of each proposed rule on the bulletin board of each department and by giving a copy of the notice and each proposed rule to the City Council, the City Manager, each department head, and the president or secretary of each employee organization formally recognized by the City. At the meeting, the Commission shall permit a representative of the City Council or the City Manager, or both, to comment on any proposed rule. Any amendment of the rule governing the number of qualified persons certified to the appointing authority on the Civil Service eligibility list is not effective until the amendment is approved by the City Council.

2. The rules adopted by the Commission must provide for the following matters relating to the Civil Service System:



(a) The review and approval by the Commission of minimum qualifications set out in class specifications for positions.

(b) Procedures for the review by the Commission of the allocation or reallocation of an employee's position pursuant to subsection 4 of section 9.180.

(c) Open and promotional recruitment of employees.

(d) The development and scoring of examinations of candidates for positions.

(e) The development, maintenance and certification of Civil Service eligibility lists, which must include criteria for the use of selective certification as applicable to a position.

(f) Procedures for emergency, temporary, provisional and such other types of appointments as the Commission deems desirable to facilitate the business of the City.

(g) The establishment of probationary periods, procedures for the confirmation of employees into the Civil Service System after completion of any applicable probationary period, and procedures for the dismissal of probationary employees, including, without limitation, the identification of circumstances in which a probationary employee, including, without limitation, a promoted employee, may not be dismissed by the head of a department without right of appeal.

(h) Procedures for the promotion of employees and any right of promoted employees to return to their previous positions.

(i) Procedures for the transfer and layoff of employees.

(j) Procedures for investigating and hearing appeals relating to the discipline or discharge of employees or alleged violations of the rules of the Commission.



3. A copy of all rules adopted and all changes in them must be filed in the Office of the City Clerk. The Commission shall cause the rules and all changes in them to be distributed as it deems necessary, except that the Commission shall cause a copy to be made available to all officers and employees of the City on the City's Internet website or in such other format as the Commission determines is appropriate.

4. The head of each department may adopt procedures for the governance of ~~his or her~~ *the* department not inconsistent with this article or the rules of the Commission adopted thereunder.

5. As used in this section, "selective certification" means the certification of a person for inclusion on a Civil Service eligibility list for a position based upon specialized knowledge, skills or abilities of the person, in addition to those required to meet the minimum qualifications for the position, that are required to perform the duties of the position successfully.

Sec. 24. Section 9.100 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, as amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 775, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.100 Reports of employee performance. The Commission shall have authority to require from time to time reports on the performance and efficiency of employees. Each employee shall be entitled to see all such reports concerning ~~him or her.~~ *the employee.*

Sec. 25. Section 9.130 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, at page 886, is hereby amended to read as follows:



Sec. 9.130 Return to Civil Service. An employee with confirmed Civil Service rating who is appointed to an exempt position shall not lose ~~his or her~~ *the employee's* Civil Service rating while serving in that exempt position.

Sec. 26. Section 9.180 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, as amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 776, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.180 Classification plan: Preparation; requirements; review of classification.

1. The City Manager or ~~his or her~~ *the* designee *of the City Manager* shall:

(a) Prepare, maintain and, as necessary, revise a classification plan for all positions in the Civil Service.

(b) Allocate each position in the Civil Service to a class set forth in the classification plan.

2. Each class of employees that is set forth in the classification plan must include, without limitation, a title, a definition or statement of the characteristics of the class, a list of typical tasks or examples of the duties of the class, a list of the knowledge, skills and abilities required for employees in the class, a statement that describes the minimum qualifications of employees in the class and any other information that the City Manager determines is necessary for the proper classification and supervision of positions in the Civil Service. The minimum qualifications shall be subject to review and approval by the Commission as part of its responsibility for recruiting and selecting employees.



3. The City Manager shall allocate positions into each class by grouping positions that have similar qualifications and levels of difficulty and responsibility such that the similarities justify similar treatment.

4. Any employee in the Civil Service who is adversely affected by the allocation or reallocation of ~~his or her~~ *the* position *of the employee* to a class pursuant to subsection 1 may request to have the classification reviewed by the Commission. A request for such a review must be submitted to the Commission not more than 30 calendar days after the employee receives notification of the allocation or reallocation of the employee's position by the City Manager.

5. In reviewing the allocation or reallocation of an employee's position pursuant to subsection 4, the Commission shall make findings as to the duties, responsibilities and qualifications of the position. If the Commission finds that a position is not classified correctly, the Commission shall notify the City Council and City Manager of its findings. Upon receiving such notification, the City Council shall review the findings of the Commission and, if approved by the City Council, the City Manager shall allocate or reallocate the position to a class pursuant to the findings of the Commission.

Sec. 27. Section 9.260 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, as amended by chapter 373, Statutes of Nevada 1979, at page 646, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.260 Duties and authority of City Manager.



1. All employees in the Civil Service, other than those employed by the Commission, shall hold their positions at the pleasure of the City Manager and shall perform their assigned duties under ~~his or her~~ *the* direction ~~of~~ *of the City Manager*, subject to the provisions of this article. No employee in the Civil Service shall be suspended, demoted, dismissed or disciplined except as provided in this article.

2. The City Manager or ~~his or her~~ *a* delegate *of the City Manager* may bring disciplinary action against any employee in the Civil Service who:

(a) Is unable to or fails for any reason to perform ~~his or her~~ *the* duties *of the employee* properly and efficiently.

(b) Is guilty of any actions which reduce ~~his or her~~ *the* effectiveness *of the employee* as an employee or bring discredit on the City service.

(c) Has violated any provision of this article or of Commission rules.

3. The City Manager shall immediately report any suspension of more than 3 days or any action of demotion or termination to the Secretary of the Commission and at the same time deliver to the Secretary and to the affected employee copies of a complaint setting forth the action taken and the reasons for that action, with the name of the original complainant if other than the City Manager.

4. Whenever a written complaint against any employee in the Civil Service is made to the City Manager ~~he or she~~, *the City Manager* shall immediately communicate it to the Secretary of the Commission.



5. The City Manager or ~~his or her~~ a delegate *of the City Manager* have the authority to adjust an employee's salary within the salary range for the class on the basis of quality and quantity of the employee's work. The Commission shall by rule provide for appeals from such adjustment on a showing that it was made principally for disciplinary purposes.

Sec. 28. Section 9.270 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 553, Statutes of Nevada 1973, as last amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 777, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.270 Appeals to the Commission.

1. An employee in the Civil Service who has been suspended for a period of more than 3 days or who is the subject of an action by the City Manager to demote or terminate ~~him or her~~ *the employee* may appeal such action to the Commission by serving the Secretary of the Commission with a written notice of appeal within 10 days after such action. The Commission shall set the time for hearing the appeal not less than 5 nor more than 15 days after the date of service of the notice of appeal.

2. The Commission shall adopt a rule for hearing such appeals and making any investigations it deems appropriate. The City Attorney or, if applicable, special counsel retained pursuant to section 3.070 shall represent the interest of the City in appeals to the Commission.

3. In connection with any hearing or investigation contemplated by this article each member of the Commission may administer oaths, secure by subpoena the attendance of witnesses residing within 50 miles of the City and the production of books and papers



relevant to the hearing or investigation, compel witnesses to answer and punish for contempt in the same manner as provided by law for the governing of trials before justices of the peace for failure to answer or produce books and other evidence necessary for the hearing. All witnesses must be under oath. The accused has the right to be heard in person and by attorney in ~~his or her own~~ *the* defense *of the accused* and is entitled to secure the attendance of witnesses at the expense of the City if within the reach of the Commission's subpoena and necessary for ~~his or her~~ *the* defense ~~[.]~~ *of the accused*. Upon a showing of necessity an accused may secure from the Commission an order requiring the taking of depositions of witnesses who are necessary to ~~his or her~~ *the* defense *of the accused* and not within the reach of a subpoena. The Commission shall determine to what extent the expense of such depositions will be paid for by the City. Hearings on appeal must be reported and may be transcribed if a transcript is necessary for a deliberation of the Commission or for an appeal to the district court. The Commission shall render its decision within 7 days after the date of the hearing.

4. The action taken by the City Manager may be affirmed, modified or revoked by the Commission. If the Commission finds that the reason for which the action was taken is insufficient or conflicts with the provisions of this Charter, the Civil Service rules and regulations, or any applicable law, it must modify or revoke the action.

5. The Commission shall adopt a rule for the hearing and disposition of appeals concerning procedures or the content of examinations.



Sec. 29. Section 9.290 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 1973, at page 890, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.290 Salary of suspended, demoted or disciplined employee. No employee shall be deprived of any salary or wages for the period of time ~~he or she~~ *the employee* may be suspended, demoted or dismissed pending a hearing and decision unless such disciplinary action or removal shall be sustained by the Commission.

Sec. 30. Section 15 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 4203, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 15. ~~11~~ This section and sections 1, 3, 6 to 9, inclusive, *and* 11 ~~and 13~~ of this act become effective on July 1, 2017.

~~2. Sections 2, 4, 5, 10, 12 and 14 of this act become effective:~~

~~—(a) On July 1, 2017, for the purpose of passing ordinances, establishing the boundaries of the additional ward created by the provisions of section 1.050 of the Charter of the City of Reno, as amended by section 2 of this act, changing the boundaries of the first through fifth wards to comply with the provisions of section 1.050 of the Charter of the City of Reno, as amended by section 2 of this act, and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and~~

~~—(b) On January 1, 2024, for all other purposes.]~~

Sec. 31. Sections 2, 4, 5, 10, 12, 13 and 14 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at pages 4197, 4198, 4201, 4202 and 4203, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 32. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.



TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

Section 2 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017:

Sec. 2. Section 1.050 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 327, Statutes of Nevada 1999, at page 1365, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.050 Wards: Creation; boundaries.

1. The City must be divided into ~~five~~ six wards, which must be as nearly equal in population as can be conveniently provided. The territory comprising each ward must be contiguous, except that if any territory of the City which is not contiguous to the remainder of the City does not contain sufficient population to constitute a separate ward, it may be placed in any ward of the City.

2. The boundaries of the wards must be established and changed by ordinance, passed by a vote of at least five-sevenths of the City Council. The boundaries of the wards:

(a) Must be changed whenever the population, as determined by the last preceding national census of the Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce, in any ward exceeds the population in any other ward by more than 5 percent.



(b) May be changed to include territory that has been annexed, or whenever the population in any ward exceeds the population in another ward by more than 5 percent by any measure that is found to be reliable by the City Council.

Section 4 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017:

Sec. 4. Section 1.070 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 163, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 767, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1.070 Elective offices: Vacancies.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a vacancy in the City Council or in the office of City Attorney or Municipal Judge must be filled by a majority vote of the members of the City Council within 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy. A person may be selected to fill a prospective vacancy in the City Council before the vacancy occurs. In filling a prospective vacancy, each member of the Council, except any member whose term of office expires before the occurrence of the vacancy, may participate in any action taken by the Council pursuant to this section. The appointee must have the same qualifications as are required of the elective official. The appointee shall serve until the next general municipal election and until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

2. If a prospective vacancy or vacancy occurs in the office of a City Council Member, in lieu of appointment, the City Council may, by resolution, declare a special election to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. The resolution



declaring a special election must be adopted within 30 days after the occurrence of the vacancy and must state the date set by the City Council for the special election. In the case of a prospective vacancy, the Council may adopt the resolution before the vacancy occurs, but the special election may not be held until after the vacancy occurs. The special election must be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the resolution declaring the special election and section 5.030 of this Charter. A person elected to fill a vacancy at a special election must have the same qualifications as are required of the elected official.

3. A candidate at a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of a City Council Member ~~[who represents a ward]~~ must be elected only by the registered voters of the ward that the candidate seeks to represent.

Section 5 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017:

Sec. 5. Section 2.010 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 327, Statutes of Nevada 1999, at page 1366, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2.010 Mayor and City Council: Qualifications; election; term of office; salary.

1. The legislative power of the City is vested in a City Council consisting of six Council Members and a Mayor.



2. The Mayor and Council Members must be qualified electors within the City. Each Council Member elected from a ward must continue to live in that ward for as long as he or she represents the ward.

3. The Mayor ~~{and one Council Member represent}~~ *represents* the City at large and one Council Member represents each ward. The Mayor and Council Members serve for terms of 4 years.

4. The Mayor and Council Members are entitled to receive a salary in an amount fixed by the City Council.

Section 10 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017:

Sec. 10. Section 5.010 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1828, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5.010 General elections.

1. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2002, and at each successive interval of 6 years, there must be elected at the general election, a Municipal Judge, who holds office for a term of 6 years and until his or her successor has been elected and qualified.

2. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2002, and at each successive interval of 4 years, there must be elected at the general election, a Mayor, Council Members from the second and fourth



wards, and a City Attorney, all of whom hold office for a term of 4 years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

3. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2004, and at each successive interval of 6 years, there must be elected at the general election, one or more Municipal Judges, other than the Municipal Judge referred to in subsection 1, all of whom hold office for a term of 6 years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

4. On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2004, and at each successive interval of 4 years, there must be elected at the general election, Council Members from the first, third and fifth wards ~~and one Council Member at large,~~ all of whom hold office for a term of 4 years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

5. *On the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2024, and at each successive interval of 4 years, there must be elected at the general election a Council Member from the sixth ward, who holds office for a term of 4 years and until his or her successor has been elected and qualified.*

6. In the general election:

(a) A candidate for the office of Council Member ~~who represents a ward~~ must be elected only by the registered voters of the ward that the candidate seeks to represent.

(b) Candidates for the offices of Mayor, Municipal Judge ~~and~~ City Attorney ~~and Council Member at large~~ must be elected by the registered voters of the city at large.



Section 12 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017:

Sec. 12. Section 5.020 of the Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1829, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5.020 Primary elections; declaration of candidacy.

1. A candidate for any office to be voted for at an election must file a declaration of candidacy with the City Clerk. All filing fees collected by the City Clerk must be deposited to the credit of the General Fund of the City.

2. If for any general election, there are three or more candidates for any office to be filled at that election, a primary election for any such office must be held on the date fixed by the election laws of the State for statewide elections, at which time there must be nominated candidates for the office to be voted for at the next general election. If for any general election there are two or fewer candidates for any office to be filled at that election, their names must not be placed on the ballot for the primary election but must be placed on the ballot for the general election. The general election must be held on the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election.

3. In the primary election:

(a) The names of the two candidates for Municipal Judge, City Attorney or a particular City Council seat, as the case may be, who receive the highest number of votes must be placed on the ballot for the general election.



(b) Candidates for Council Member who represent a specific ward must be voted upon only by the registered voters of ~~[that]~~ *the* ward ~~[.]~~ *that the candidate seeks to represent.*

(c) Candidates for Mayor, Municipal Judge ~~[.]~~ *and* City Attorney ~~[and Council Member-at-large]~~ must be voted upon by all registered voters of the City.

Section 13 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017:

Sec. 13. After the completion of the 2020 decennial census of the Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce, and before January 1, 2024, the City Council of the City of Reno shall establish the boundaries of the additional ward created by the provisions of section 1.050 of the Charter of the City of Reno, as amended by section 2 of this act, which must be designated the sixth ward, and change the boundaries of the first through fifth wards to comply with the provisions of section 1.050 of the Charter of the City of Reno, as amended by section 2 of this act.

Section 14 of chapter 584, Statutes of Nevada 2017:

Sec. 14. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 2.010 and 5.010 of the Charter of the City of Reno, as amended by sections 5 and 10 of this act:

1. A Council Member of the City of Reno who holds office on January 1, 2024:

(a) If elected or appointed to represent a ward, shall continue to represent that ward for the remainder of his or her term of office.



(b) If elected or appointed to represent the City at large, shall continue to represent the City at large for the remainder of his or her term of office.

2. The sixth ward created by the provisions of section 1.050 of the Charter of the City of Reno, as amended by section 2 of this act, must be filled initially at the general election held on the date fixed by the election laws of the State for the statewide general election in November 2024 and shall not be deemed to be vacant before that time.

