
SENATE BILL NO. 71—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS)

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the amendment of city charters. (BDR 21-430)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to city charters; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the governing body of a charter city to amend the charter of the city; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law provides that a city charter may be amended by the Legislature or
2 by the registered voters of the city pursuant to a petition of voters or the proposal of
3 a majority of the city’s governing body. (NRS 268.010) **Section 1** of this bill allows
4 a city charter also to be amended by a two-thirds vote of the governing body of a
5 city organized under a special charter if so provided in the charter. **Section 1** further
6 requires that if a city has a charter committee: (1) the governing body of the city
7 must first refer a proposed amendment to the city charter to the charter committee
8 for consideration before taking any action on the proposed amendment; (2) the
9 charter committee has 30 days after the date the proposed amendment is referred to
10 approve or disapprove the proposed amendment and, if the charter committee does
11 not vote to disapprove the proposed amendment within the 30 days, the governing
12 body of the city may take action on the proposed amendment; and (3) a proposed
13 amendment must be approved by a majority vote of the whole charter committee.
14 In addition, **section 1** also requires the city clerk to transmit a certified copy of an
15 amendment to a city charter to the Legislative Counsel within 30 days after it has
16 been adopted by the governing body of a city. **Sections 2-32** of this bill make
17 conforming changes to existing city charters.



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

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 268.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 268.010 1. As used in this section, “city” means an
3 incorporated city.
- 4 2. An amendment to the charter of a city may be:
5 (a) Made by the Legislature.
6 (b) Proposed and submitted to the registered voters of the city
7 by a majority of the whole governing body, and must be so
8 submitted by a petition signed by registered voters of the city equal
9 to 15 percent or more of the voters who voted at the last preceding
10 general city election, setting forth the proposed amendments.
- 11 (c) *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, made by the*
12 *adoption of an ordinance by the governing body of a city*
13 *organized under a special charter by a two-thirds vote of the whole*
14 *governing body if provided for in the charter.*
- 15 3. An amendment proposed pursuant to paragraph (b) of
16 subsection 2 must be submitted at the next primary or general city
17 election or primary or general state election.
- 18 4. The city attorney shall draft any amendment proposed in the
19 petition mentioned in paragraph (b) of subsection 2 and an
20 explanation thereof for submission to the registered voters.
- 21 5. The petition must be filed with the city clerk. It must be in
22 the form and its sufficiency must be determined in the manner
23 provided for city initiative petitions.
- 24 6. When an amendment is adopted by the registered voters of
25 the city ~~or~~ *or adopted by the governing body of the city*, the city
26 clerk shall, within 30 days thereafter, transmit a certified copy of the
27 amendment to the Legislative Counsel.
- 28 7. *If an amendment is proposed to be made pursuant to*
29 *paragraph (c) of subsection 2 in a city with a charter committee:*
30 (a) *The proposed amendment must be referred to the charter*
31 *committee for consideration and, except as otherwise provided in*
32 *paragraph (b), must be approved by a majority vote of the whole*
33 *charter committee before the governing body of the city may take*
34 *any action on the proposed amendment.*
- 35 (b) *The charter committee must, within 30 days after the date*
36 *the proposed amendment is referred by the governing body of the*
37 *city, consider the proposed amendment. If, within 30 days after the*
38 *date a proposed amendment is referred to a charter committee,*
39 *the charter committee does not vote to disapprove the proposed*
40 *amendment, the governing body of the city may take action on the*
41 *proposed amendment.*



1 **Sec. 2.** Section 119 of the Charter of Boulder City is hereby
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 119. Amending the Charter.

4 1. An amendment to this Charter:

5 A. May be made by the Legislature directly by the use of
6 mandatory specific wording or indirectly by the use of
7 wording allowing flexibility in expressing the required
8 change.

9 (1) If a statute is enacted which directly amends this
10 Charter, such an amendment is not subject to public approval
11 as provided in subsection B and must be included in the
12 Charter and identified as having been amended by the
13 particular statute involved.

14 (2) If a statute is enacted which requires that this
15 Charter be amended but does not require the specific wording
16 to be used, the City Council shall propose a suitable
17 amendment to be submitted to the registered voters of the
18 City as provided in subsection B. If such a proposed
19 amendment is not adopted by the voters, it must be redrafted
20 and resubmitted to the voters at one or more general city
21 elections or general state elections until an amendment is
22 adopted.

23 B. May be proposed by the City Council and submitted
24 to the registered voters of the City at a general city election or
25 general state election.

26 C. May be proposed by a petition signed by registered
27 voters of the City equal in number to 15 percent or more of
28 the voters who voted at the latest preceding general city
29 election and submitted to registered voters of the City at the
30 next general city election or general state election.

31 *D. May be made by the City Council by adopting an*
32 *ordinance with a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*
33 *Such an amendment is not required to be submitted to the*
34 *registered voters of the City at a general city election or*
35 *general state election.*

36 2. The City Attorney shall draft any amendment
37 proposed pursuant to subsections A(2) , ~~to~~ B ~~or~~ D, or if
38 such a proposed amendment has been previously drafted, the
39 City Attorney shall review the previous draft and recommend
40 to the Council any suggested changes or corrections.

41 3. The City Attorney shall, upon request, review any
42 amendment intended to be proposed by petition pursuant to
43 subsection C, make only such corrections as are agreed to by
44 the proposers and report to the City Council his or her



1 analysis of the significance and potential effects of the
2 proposed amendment.

3 4. A petition for amendment must be in the form
4 specified by state law for city initiative petitions, and must be
5 filed with the City Clerk not later than 6 months before the
6 date of the general city election or general state election at
7 which the proposed amendment is to be submitted to the
8 voters of the City.

9 5. When an amendment is adopted by the registered
10 voters of the City ~~or~~ *or by the City Council*, the City Clerk
11 shall, within 30 days thereafter, transmit a certified copy of
12 the amendment to the Legislative Counsel.

13 6. Any amendment to the Charter proposed under the
14 provisions of this section shall be adopted by a simple
15 majority of the voters casting ballots on that question at two
16 consecutive general elections before any such amendment
17 shall become effective. (Add. 25; Amd. 1; 6-3-2003)

18 **Sec. 3.** The Charter of the City of Caliente, being chapter 31,
19 Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 55, is hereby amended by adding
20 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.085, immediately
21 following section 2.080, to read as follows:

22 *Sec. 2.085 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
23 *City Charter.*

24 *1. The City Council may make amendments to this*
25 *Charter by adopting an ordinance.*

26 *2. No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
27 *by a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*

28 **Sec. 4.** Section 2.090 of the Charter of the City of Caliente,
29 being chapter 31, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 59, is hereby
30 amended to read as follows:

31 Sec. 2.090 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
32 subject matter; title requirements.

33 1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,
34 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.085*, by a majority
35 vote of the City Council. The style of all ordinances shall be
36 as follows: "The City Council of the City of Caliente does
37 ordain:".

38 2. No ordinance shall contain more than one subject,
39 which shall be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject
40 of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance
41 is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.

42 3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance
43 shall set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be
44 amended, and shall indicate matter to be omitted by enclosing



1 it in brackets and shall indicate new matter by underscoring
2 or by italics.

3 **Sec. 5.** The Charter of the City of Carlin, being chapter 344,
4 Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 603, is hereby amended by adding
5 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.095, immediately
6 following section 2.090, to read as follows:

7 ***Sec. 2.095 Powers of Board of Council Members:***
8 ***Amendments to City Charter.***

9 ***1. The Board of Council Members may make***
10 ***amendments to this Charter by adopting an ordinance.***

11 ***2. No amendment to this Charter may be passed except***
12 ***by a two-thirds vote of the whole Board of Council***
13 ***Members.***

14 **Sec. 6.** Section 2.100 of the Charter of the City of Carlin,
15 being chapter 344, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 607, is hereby
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Sec. 2.100 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
18 subject matter; title requirements.

19 1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,
20 ***except as otherwise provided in section 2.095,*** by a majority
21 vote of the whole Board of Council Members. The style of all
22 ordinances shall be as follows: "The Board of Council
23 Members of the City of Carlin does ordain:".

24 2. No ordinance shall contain more than one subject,
25 which shall be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject
26 of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance
27 is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.

28 3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance
29 shall set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be
30 amended, and shall indicate matter to be omitted by enclosing
31 it in brackets and shall indicate new matter by underscoring
32 or by italics.

33 **Sec. 7.** The Charter of Carson City, being chapter 213,
34 Statutes of Nevada 1969, at page 287, is hereby amended by adding
35 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.095, immediately
36 following section 2.090, to read as follows:

37 ***Sec. 2.095 Power of Board: Amendments to City***
38 ***Charter.***

39 ***1. Except as otherwise provided in section 2.115, the***
40 ***Board may make amendments to this Charter by adopting***
41 ***an ordinance.***

42 ***2. No amendment to this Charter may be passed except***
43 ***by a two-thirds vote of the whole Board.***

44 **Sec. 8.** The Charter of Carson City, being chapter 213,
45 Statutes of Nevada 1969, at page 287, is hereby amended by adding



1 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.115, immediately
2 following section 2.110, to read as follows:

3 ***Sec. 2.115 Charter Amendments: Enactment***
4 ***Procedure.***

5 ***1. All proposed amendments to this Charter when first***
6 ***proposed by the Board pursuant to section 2.095 must be***
7 ***referred to the Charter Committee for consideration. Except***
8 ***as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the proposed***
9 ***amendment must be approved by a majority vote of the***
10 ***whole Charter Committee before the Board may take any***
11 ***action on the amendment.***

12 ***2. If, within 30 days after the date a proposed***
13 ***amendment is referred to the Charter Committee for***
14 ***consideration, the Charter Committee does not vote to***
15 ***disapprove the proposed amendment, the Board may take***
16 ***action on the proposed amendment pursuant to***
17 ***section 2.110.***

18 **Sec. 9.** Section 2.100 of the Charter of Carson City, being
19 chapter 213, Statutes of Nevada 1969, at page 296, is hereby
20 amended to read as follows:

21 **Sec. 2.100 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;**
22 **subject matter; title requirements.**

23 **1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,**
24 ***except as otherwise provided in section 2.095,*** by a majority
25 vote of the whole Board of Supervisors. The style of all
26 ordinances shall be as follows: "The Board of Supervisors of
27 Carson City do ordain."

28 **2. No ordinance shall contain more than one subject,**
29 **which shall be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject**
30 **of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance**
31 **is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.**

32 **3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance**
33 **shall set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be**
34 **amended, and shall indicate matter to be omitted by enclosing**
35 **it in brackets and shall indicate new matter by underscoring**
36 **or by italics.**

37 **Sec. 10.** Section 2.110 of the Charter of Carson City, being
38 chapter 213, Statutes of Nevada 1969, as last amended by chapter
39 118, Statutes of Nevada 1985, at page 475, is hereby amended to
40 read as follows:

41 **Sec. 2.110 Ordinances: Enactment procedure;**
42 **emergency ordinances.**

43 **1. All proposed ordinances when first proposed must be**
44 **read to the Board by title, after which an adequate number of**
45 **copies of the proposed ordinance must be filed with the Clerk**



1 for public distribution. Except as otherwise provided in
2 subsection 3, notice of the filing must be published once in a
3 newspaper qualified pursuant to the provisions of chapter 238
4 of NRS and published in Carson City at least 10 days before
5 the adoption of the ordinance. ~~[The]~~ *Except as otherwise*
6 *provided in section 2.115, the* Board shall adopt or reject the
7 ordinance or an amendment thereto, within 45 days after the
8 date of publication.

9 2. ~~[A]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.115,*
10 *at* a regular meeting or adjourned meeting of the Board
11 following the proposal of an ordinance it must be read as first
12 introduced, or as amended, and thereupon the proposed
13 ordinance must be finally voted upon or action thereon
14 postponed.

15 3. In cases of emergency or where the ordinance is of a
16 kind specified in section 7.030, by unanimous consent of the
17 Board, final action may be taken immediately or at a special
18 meeting called for that purpose, and no notice of the filing of
19 copies of the proposed ordinance with the Clerk need be
20 published.

21 4. All ordinances must be signed by the Mayor, attested
22 by the Clerk and published by title, together with the names
23 of the Supervisors voting for or against passage, in a
24 newspaper qualified pursuant to the provisions of chapter 238
25 of NRS and published in Carson City for at least one
26 publication, before the ordinance becomes effective. The
27 Board may, by majority vote, order the publication of the
28 ordinance in full in lieu of publication by title only.

29 5. The Clerk shall record all ordinances in a book kept
30 for that purpose together with the affidavits of publication by
31 the publisher.

32 **Sec. 11.** The Charter of the City of Elko, being chapter 276,
33 Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 474, is hereby amended by adding
34 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.095, immediately
35 following section 2.090, to read as follows:

36 *Sec. 2.095 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
37 *City Charter.*

38 *1. The City Council may make amendments to this*
39 *Charter by adopting an ordinance.*

40 *2. No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
41 *by a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*



1 **Sec. 12.** Section 2.100 of the Charter of the City of Elko,
2 being chapter 276, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as amended by chapter
3 51, Statutes of Nevada 2001, at page 452, is hereby amended to read
4 as follows:

5 Sec. 2.100 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
6 subject matter; title requirements.

7 1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,
8 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.095*, by a majority
9 vote of the whole City Council. The style of all ordinances
10 must be as follows: "The City Council of the City of Elko
11 does ordain:"

12 2. An ordinance must not contain more than one subject,
13 which must be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject
14 of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance
15 is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.

16 3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance
17 must set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be
18 amended, and must indicate matter to be omitted.

19 **Sec. 13.** The Charter of the City of Henderson, being chapter
20 266, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 402, is hereby amended by
21 adding thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.085,
22 immediately following section 2.080, to read as follows:

23 *Sec. 2.085 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
24 *City Charter.*

25 1. *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.105, the*
26 *City Council may make amendments to this Charter by*
27 *adopting an ordinance.*

28 2. *No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
29 *by a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*

30 **Sec. 14.** The Charter of the City of Henderson, being chapter
31 266, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 402, is hereby amended by
32 adding thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.105,
33 immediately following section 2.100, to read as follows:

34 *Sec. 2.105 Charter Amendments: Enactment*
35 *Procedure.*

36 1. *All proposed amendments to this Charter when first*
37 *proposed by the City Council pursuant to section 2.085 must*
38 *be referred to the Charter Committee for consideration.*
39 *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the proposed*
40 *amendment must be approved by a majority vote of the*
41 *whole Charter Committee before the City Council may take*
42 *any action on the amendment.*

43 2. *If, within 30 days after the date a proposed*
44 *amendment is referred to the Charter Committee for*
45 *consideration, the Charter Committee does not vote to*



1 *disapprove the proposed amendment, the City Council*
2 *may take action on the proposed amendment pursuant to*
3 *section 2.100.*

4 **Sec. 15.** Section 2.090 of the Charter of the City of Henderson,
5 being chapter 266, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 406, is hereby
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 2.090 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
8 subject matter; title requirements.

9 1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,
10 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.085*, by a majority
11 vote of the whole City Council. The style of all ordinances
12 shall be as follows: "The City Council of the City of
13 Henderson does ordain:".

14 2. No ordinance shall contain more than one subject,
15 which shall be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject
16 of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance
17 is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.

18 3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance
19 shall set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be
20 amended, and shall indicate matter to be omitted by enclosing
21 it in brackets and shall indicate new matter by underscoring
22 or by italics.

23 **Sec. 16.** Section 2.100 of the Charter of the City of Henderson,
24 being chapter 266, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by
25 chapter 266, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1208, is hereby
26 amended to read as follows:

27 Sec. 2.100 Ordinances: Enactment procedure;
28 emergency ordinances.

29 1. All proposed ordinances when first proposed must be
30 read to the City Council by title and referred to a committee
31 for consideration, after which an adequate number of copies
32 of the proposed ordinance must be filed with the City Clerk
33 for public distribution. Except as otherwise provided in
34 subsection 3, notice of the filing must be published once in a
35 newspaper qualified pursuant to the provisions of chapter 238
36 of NRS, and published in the City at least 10 days before the
37 adoption of the ordinance. ~~{The}~~ *Except as otherwise*
38 *provided in section 2.105, the* City Council shall adopt or
39 reject the ordinance or an amendment thereto, within 30 days
40 after the date of publication.

41 2. ~~{At}~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.105,*
42 *at* the next regular meeting or special meeting of the City
43 Council following the proposal of an ordinance and its
44 reference to committee, the committee shall report the
45 ordinance back to the City Council. Thereafter, it must be



1 read by title only, and thereupon the proposed ordinance must
2 be finally voted upon or action thereon postponed.

3 3. In cases of emergency or where the ordinance is of a
4 kind specified in section 7.040, by unanimous consent of the
5 City Council, final action may be taken immediately or at a
6 special meeting called for that purpose, and no notice of the
7 filing of the copies of the proposed ordinance with the City
8 Clerk need be published.

9 4. All ordinances must be signed by the Mayor, attested
10 by the City Clerk and published at least once by title, together
11 with the names of the Council Members voting for or against
12 passage, in a newspaper qualified pursuant to the provisions
13 of chapter 238 of NRS and published in the City, before the
14 ordinance becomes effective. The City Council may, by
15 majority vote, order the publication of the ordinance in full in
16 lieu of publication by title only.

17 5. The City Clerk shall keep a record of all ordinances
18 together with the affidavits of publication.

19 **Sec. 17.** The Charter of the City of Las Vegas, being chapter
20 517, Statutes of Nevada 1983, at page 1391, is hereby amended by
21 adding thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.095,
22 immediately following section 2.090, to read as follows:

23 *Sec. 2.095 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
24 *City Charter.*

25 *1. The City Council may make amendments to this*
26 *Charter by adopting an ordinance.*

27 *2. No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
28 *by a two-thirds vote of the entire City Council.*

29 **Sec. 18.** Section 2.100 of the Charter of the City of Las Vegas,
30 being chapter 517, Statutes of Nevada 1983, at page 1396, is hereby
31 amended to read as follows:

32 Sec. 2.100 Ordinances: Adoption by bill; amendments;
33 subject matter; title.

34 1. No ordinance may be adopted except by bill and ,
35 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.095*, by the
36 majority vote of the entire City Council. The style of all
37 ordinances must be as follows: "The City Council of the City
38 of Las Vegas does ordain:".

39 2. No ordinance may contain more than one general
40 subject matter and matters which pertain to or are necessarily
41 connected with the general subject matter, and the subject
42 must be briefly indicated in the title. If the subjects of the
43 ordinance are not expressed in the title, the ordinance is void
44 as to those matters which are not expressed in the title.



1 3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance or
2 an existing section or sections of a codification of ordinances
3 must set out in full the ordinance or sections of the ordinance
4 or the section or sections of the codification of ordinances
5 which are to be amended and indicate any matter to be
6 omitted by enclosing it in brackets and any new matter by
7 underscoring it or by italics.

8 **Sec. 19.** The Charter of the City of North Las Vegas, being
9 chapter 573, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1210, is hereby
10 amended by adding thereto a new section to be designated as section
11 2.085, immediately following section 2.080, to read as follows:

12 *Sec. 2.085 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
13 *City Charter.*

14 1. *The City Council may make amendments to this*
15 *Charter by adopting an ordinance.*

16 2. *No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
17 *by a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*

18 **Sec. 20.** Section 2.090 of the Charter of the City of North Las
19 Vegas, being chapter 573, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1214, is
20 hereby amended to read as follows:

21 Sec. 2.090 Ordinances: Amendments; subject matter;
22 title requirements.

23 1. ~~[No]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.085,*
24 *no ordinance may be passed except by a majority vote of the*
25 *whole City Council. The style of all ordinances shall be as*
26 *follows: "The City Council of the City of North Las Vegas*
27 *does ordain:"*

28 2. No ordinance shall contain more than one subject,
29 which shall be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject
30 of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance
31 is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.

32 3. Any ordinance which amends or repeals an existing
33 ordinance shall state the ordinance or sections thereof to be
34 amended or repealed.

35 **Sec. 21.** The Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662,
36 Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1962, is hereby amended by
37 adding thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.085,
38 immediately following section 2.080, to read as follows:

39 *Sec. 2.085 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
40 *City Charter.*

41 1. *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.105, the*
42 *City Council may make amendments to this Charter by*
43 *adopting an ordinance.*

44 2. *No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
45 *by a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*



1 **Sec. 22.** The Charter of the City of Reno, being chapter 662,
2 Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1962, is hereby amended by
3 adding thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.105,
4 immediately following section 2.100, to read as follows:

5 *Sec. 2.105 Charter Amendments: Enactment*
6 *Procedure.*

7 1. *All proposed amendments to this Charter when first*
8 *proposed by the City Council pursuant to section 2.085 must*
9 *be referred to the Charter Committee for consideration.*
10 *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the proposed*
11 *amendment must be approved by a majority vote of the*
12 *whole Charter Committee before the City Council may take*
13 *any action on the amendment.*

14 2. *If, within 30 days after the date a proposed*
15 *amendment is referred to the Charter Committee for*
16 *consideration, the Charter Committee does not vote to*
17 *disapprove the proposed amendment, the City Council may*
18 *take action on the proposed amendment pursuant to*
19 *section 2.100.*

20 **Sec. 23.** Section 2.090 of the Charter of the City of Reno,
21 being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by
22 chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1821, is hereby
23 amended to read as follows:

24 Sec. 2.090 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
25 subject matter; title requirements.

26 1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,
27 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.085*, by a majority
28 vote of the City Council. The style of all ordinances must be
29 as follows: "The City Council of the City of Reno does
30 ordain:".

31 2. No ordinance may contain more than one general
32 subject matter and matters which pertain to or are necessarily
33 connected with the general subject matter, and the general
34 subject must be briefly indicated in the title. Where the
35 general subject of the ordinance is not so expressed in the
36 title, the ordinance is void.

37 3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance
38 must set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be
39 amended, and must indicate matter to be omitted by enclosing
40 it in brackets and any new matter by underscoring or by
41 italics.



1 **Sec. 24.** Section 2.100 of the Charter of the City of Reno,
2 being chapter 662, Statutes of Nevada 1971, as last amended by
3 chapter 349, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 1822, is hereby
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 2.100 Ordinances: Enactment procedure;
6 emergency ordinances.

7 1. All proposed ordinances when first proposed must be
8 read to the City Council by title, after which an adequate
9 number of copies of the proposed ordinance must be filed
10 with the City Clerk for public distribution. Except as
11 otherwise provided in subsection 3, notice of the filing must
12 be published once in a newspaper qualified pursuant to the
13 provisions of chapter 238 of NRS, and published in the City
14 at least 10 days before the adoption of the ordinance. ~~[The]~~
15 *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.105, the* City
16 Council shall adopt or reject the ordinance, or an amendment
17 thereto, within 45 days after the date of publication.

18 2. ~~[A]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.105,*
19 *at* the next regular meeting or adjourned regular meeting of
20 the City Council held at least 10 days after the date of
21 publication, the proposed ordinance must be returned to the
22 City Council for consideration and possible adoption. At that
23 meeting, the title of the proposed ordinance must be read as
24 first proposed or as amended, and thereupon the proposed
25 ordinance must be finally voted upon or action thereon
26 postponed.

27 3. In cases of emergency or where the ordinance is of a
28 kind specified in section 7.030, by unanimous consent of the
29 City Council, final action may be taken immediately or at an
30 emergency meeting called for that purpose, and no notice of
31 the filing of the copies of the proposed ordinance with the
32 City Clerk need be published.

33 4. All ordinances must be signed by the Mayor, attested
34 by the City Clerk and published by title, together with the
35 names of the members of the City Council voting for or
36 against passage, in a newspaper qualified pursuant to the
37 provisions of chapter 238 of NRS, and published in the City
38 for at least one publication, before the ordinance becomes
39 effective. The City Council may, by majority vote, order the
40 publication of the ordinance in full in lieu of publication by
41 title only.

42 5. The City Clerk shall record all ordinances in a book
43 kept for that purpose, together with the affidavits of
44 publication by the publisher.



1 **Sec. 25.** The Charter of the City of Sparks, being chapter 470,
2 Statutes of Nevada 1975, at page 724, is hereby amended by adding
3 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.065, immediately
4 following section 2.060, to read as follows:

5 *Sec. 2.065 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
6 *City Charter.*

7 1. *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.085, the*
8 *City Council may make amendments to this Charter by*
9 *adopting an ordinance.*

10 2. *An amendment to this Charter must not be passed*
11 *except by a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*

12 **Sec. 26.** The Charter of the City of Sparks, being chapter 470,
13 Statutes of Nevada 1975, at page 724, is hereby amended by adding
14 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.085, immediately
15 following section 2.080, to read as follows:

16 *Sec. 2.085 Charter Amendments: Enactment*
17 *Procedure.*

18 1. *All proposed amendments to this Charter when first*
19 *proposed by the City Council pursuant to section 2.065 must*
20 *be referred to the Charter Committee for consideration.*
21 *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the proposed*
22 *amendment must be approved by a majority vote of the*
23 *whole Charter Committee before the City Council may take*
24 *any action on the amendment.*

25 2. *If, within 30 days after the date a proposed*
26 *amendment is referred to the Charter Committee for*
27 *consideration, the Charter Committee does not vote to*
28 *disapprove the proposed amendment, the City Council may*
29 *take action on the proposed amendment pursuant to*
30 *section 2.080.*

31 **Sec. 27.** Section 2.070 of the Charter of the City of Sparks,
32 being chapter 470, Statutes of Nevada 1975, as amended by chapter
33 129, Statutes of Nevada 1993, at page 230, is hereby amended to
34 read as follows:

35 Sec. 2.070 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
36 subject matter; title requirements.

37 1. An ordinance must not be passed except by bill and ,
38 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.065*, by a majority
39 vote of the whole City Council. The style of all ordinances
40 must be as follows: "The City Council of the City of Sparks
41 does ordain:".

42 2. A bill must not contain more than one subject, which
43 must be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject of the
44 ordinance is not expressed in the title, the bill is void as to the
45 matter not expressed in the title.



1 3. Any bill which amends an existing ordinance must:

2 (a) Set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be
3 amended;

4 (b) Indicate any matter to be omitted by lining or striking
5 through it; and

6 (c) Indicate any new matter by highlighting.

7 **Sec. 28.** Section 2.080 of the Charter of the City of Sparks,
8 being chapter 470, Statutes of Nevada 1975, as last amended by
9 chapter 450, Statutes of Nevada 1985, at page 1314, is hereby
10 amended to read as follows:

11 Sec. 2.080 Ordinances: Enactment procedure;
12 emergency ordinances.

13 1. When first proposed, all bills must be read to the City
14 Council by title, after which an adequate number of copies of
15 the proposed bill must be filed with the City Clerk for public
16 inspection. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,
17 notice of the filing must be published once in a newspaper
18 qualified to publish legal notices, and published at least 10
19 days before the adoption of the ordinance.

20 2. ~~[A]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 2.085,*
21 *at* the next regular meeting or adjourned meeting of the City
22 Council following the proposal of a bill, the title of the bill
23 must be read as first introduced. Thereupon the bill must be
24 finally voted upon or action thereon postponed. The proposed
25 ordinance and any amendments thereto must be read in full
26 when it is adopted only if so requested by a member of the
27 Council.

28 3. In cases of emergency or where the bill is of a kind
29 specified in section 7.030, by not less than four-fifths of all
30 the members of the City Council, excluding from any such
31 computation any vacancy on the Council, final action may be
32 taken immediately or at a special meeting called for that
33 purpose, and no notice of the filing of the copies of the
34 proposed bill with the City Clerk need be published.

35 4. All ordinances must be signed by the Mayor, attested
36 by the City Clerk and published by title, together with the
37 names of the members of the Council voting for or against
38 passage, in a newspaper qualified to publish legal notices, and
39 published for at least one publication, before the ordinance
40 becomes effective. The City Council may, by majority vote,
41 order the publication of the ordinance in full in lieu of
42 publication by title only.

43 5. The City Clerk shall maintain a record of all
44 ordinances together with the affidavits of publication by the
45 publisher.



1 **Sec. 29.** The Charter of the City of Wells, being chapter 275,
2 Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 457, is hereby amended by adding
3 thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.095, immediately
4 following section 2.090, to read as follows:

5 *Sec. 2.095 Powers of Board of Council Members:*
6 *Amendments to City Charter.*

7 1. *The Board of Council Members may make*
8 *amendments to this Charter by adopting an ordinance.*

9 2. *No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
10 *by a two-thirds vote of the whole Board of Council*
11 *Members.*

12 **Sec. 30.** Section 2.100 of the Charter of the City of Wells,
13 being chapter 275, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 461, is hereby
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Sec. 2.100 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
16 subject matter; title requirements.

17 1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,
18 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.095*, by a majority
19 vote of the whole Board of Council Members. The style of all
20 ordinances shall be as follows: "The Board of Council
21 Members of the City of Wells does ordain:".

22 2. No ordinance shall contain more than one subject,
23 which shall be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject
24 of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance
25 is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.

26 3. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance
27 shall set out in full the ordinance or sections thereof to be
28 amended, and shall indicate matter to be omitted by enclosing
29 it in brackets and shall indicate new matter by underscoring
30 or by italics.

31 **Sec. 31.** The Charter of the City of Yerington, being chapter
32 465, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 901, is hereby amended by
33 adding thereto a new section to be designated as section 2.085,
34 immediately following section 2.080, to read as follows:

35 *Sec. 2.085 Powers of City Council: Amendments to*
36 *City Charter.*

37 1. *The City Council may make amendments to this*
38 *Charter by adopting an ordinance.*

39 2. *No amendment to this Charter may be passed except*
40 *by a two-thirds vote of the whole City Council.*



1 **Sec. 32.** Section 2.090 of the Charter of the City of Yerington,
2 being chapter 465, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 905, is hereby
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 2.090 Ordinances: Passage by bill; amendments;
5 subject matter; title requirements.

6 1. No ordinance may be passed except by bill and ,
7 *except as otherwise provided in section 2.085*, by a majority
8 vote of the whole City Council. The style of all ordinances
9 shall be as follows: "The City Council of the City of
10 Yerington do ordain:".

11 2. No ordinance shall contain more than one subject,
12 which shall be briefly indicated in the title. Where the subject
13 of the ordinance is not so expressed in the title, the ordinance
14 is void as to the matter not expressed in the title.



