

ISSUE 28 AN OAKWOOD VILLAGE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024 RESIDENTS OF OAKWOOD VILLAGE WILL VOTE ON ISSUE 28. ISSUE 28 RELATES TO THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD CHARTER. IT IS AN AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD CHARTER ARTICLE VIII. THE MAYOR SECTION 8.03 VACANCY.

Currently Section 8.03 of the charter reads During such period when the Mayor is absent from the Municipality, or is otherwise not accessible, or is temporarily unable for any cause to perform his or her duties, the order of succession as Acting Mayor shall be as follows:

President of Council and President Pro Tem of Council. In case of death, resignation, recall or removal of the Mayor, the President of Council shall become Mayor and his or her office as member of Council shall thereby become vacant. He or she shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term, or until the beginning of the term of a successor duly elected for the unexpired term at the next regular municipal election if (a) such election shall occur two (2) years or more prior to the expiration of the unexpired term, and (b) the vacancy shall have occurred more than (90) days prior to such election. (Amended 11-5-2002)

<u>Proposed Charter Amendment</u>

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

Shall Section 8.03 of the Charter of the Village of Oakwood be amended to provide that in case of death, resignation, recall or removal of the Mayor, there shall be a special election, but no primary election, in which the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to serve the remainder of the Mayor's term, to take place within 120 days of said vacancy; and to provide that candidates for said election shall file with the Board of Elections, not less than 60 days before the election, a petition signed by not less than 75 and not more than 150 registered voters of the Municipality?



The Village of Oakwood Council

Under the current Section 8.03 of the charter:

- When the Mayor is absent, unaccessible, or temporarily unable to perform his or her duties, the order of succession for Acting Mayor is President of Council then President Pro Tem of Council
- In case of death, resignation, recall or removal of the Mayor, the President of Council becomes Mayor and the Council President office becomes vacant
- The Mayor, by succession, serves for the remainder of the term in the case of death, resignation, recall or removal

The Proposed Charter Amendment for Section 8.03 will:

- Allow a special election to be held in 120 days for voters to elect the candidate they would like to represent them
- Allow the elected candidate to fulfill the remainder of the Mayor's current term in case of death, resignation, recall or removal of the Mayor



