

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WICKENBURG, COUNTY OF MARICOPA, STATE OF ARIZONA AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF WICKENBURG, ARIZONA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 2 MAYOR AND COUNCIL, ARTICLE 2-1 COUNCIL, SECTION 2-1-1 ELECTED OFFICERS AND ARTICLE 2-3 COUNCIL ELECTION, SECTION 2-3-1 TIME OF ELECTIONS, ALL RELATED TO CHANGING THE DATES OF THE PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS OF THE TOWN FROM MARCH AND MAY TO SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER, RESPECTIVELY, OF EACH EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR; AND EXTENDING THE TERMS OF CURRENTLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Common Council of the Town of Wickenburg, Arizona as follows:

SECTION I. In General.

The Wickenburg Town Code, Chapter 2 Article 2-1 Council, Section 2-1-1 Elected Officers and Article 2-3 Time of Election, are hereby amended to read as follows [additions shown in ALL CAPITAL LETTERS and deletions shown in ~~strikeout~~]:

ARTICLE 2-1 Council

Section 2-1-1 Elected Officers.

The elected officers of the Town shall be six (6) Councilmembers and a Mayor. Commencing with the Primary and the General Elections held in the Town of Wickenburg in 1996, the Mayor of the Town of Wickenburg shall hereafter be directly elected by the qualified electors of the Town of Wickenburg, provided that if a candidate, at any election of the Mayor hereafter, receives at the Primary Election a majority of all votes cast for Mayor, he or she shall be declared to be elected to the Office of Mayor at the Primary Election, and said candidate shall not be required to run for Mayor at the subsequent General Election. If there are more than two (2) candidates running for Mayor in any Primary Election and no candidate receives more than fifty percent (50%) of the valid votes cast, then of valid votes cast, then and in such event, the candidates in the next General Election and the one (1) thereof receiving the greatest number of valid votes shall be deemed elected to the Office of Mayor in the General Election. The term of Office of the Mayor shall be for four (4) years. The Mayor and Councilmembers shall constitute the Council and shall continue in office until assumption of duties of office by their duly elected successors. Councilmembers shall serve four (4) year overlapping terms in the manner provided by State law; HOWEVER, THE TERMS FOR COUNCILMEMBERS ELECTED IN 2002 AND 2004 SHALL BE EXTENDED UNTIL THEIR SUCCESSORS ARE OFFICIALLY SEATED FOLLOWING THE 2006 AND 2008 GENERAL ELECTIONS, RESPECTIVELY.

ARTICLE 2-3 Council Election.

Section 2-3-1 Time Of Elections.

Commencing with the year 2006, and every second year thereafter, the date of the general election shall be the FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER. Prior to THE general election date, THE primary election shall be held on the EIGHTH Tuesday BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER.

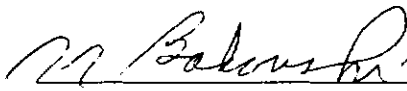
SECTION II. Repeal Of Conflicting Ordinances.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of the Ordinance or any part of the Code adopted herein by reference are hereby repealed.

SECTION III. Providing for Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance or any part of the Code adopted therein by reference, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Wickenburg, Arizona, this 5 day of July, 2005.



R.R. Badowski, Mayor

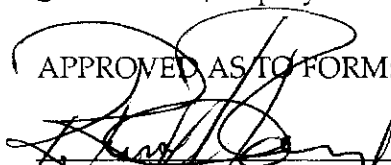
Date Signed: 7/5/05

ATTEST:



Donna Ables, Deputy Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



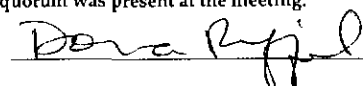
K. Russell Romney, Town Attorney
Curtis, Goodwin, Sullivan, Udall & Schwab, P.L.C.

Date Signed: 7/5/05

Number of Councilmembers Present: 7
Number of Votes For: 7
Number of Votes Against: 0
Number of Abstentions: 0

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance Number 947 was duly amended, passed and adopted by the Common Council of the Town of Wickenburg, Arizona, at a regular meeting held on the 5 day of July 2005, and that a quorum was present at the meeting.



Donna Riffel, Town Clerk