

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE
ORDINANCE NO. 706-2016**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO, SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE AT THE 2016 COORDINATED ELECTION A BALLOT QUESTION WHETHER SECTION 2-8 OF THE TOWN CHARTER SHALL BE AMENDED SUCH THAT BOARD OF TRUSTEES TERMS IN OFFICE SHALL BE CONSIDERED CONSECUTIVE UNLESS THEY ARE AT LEAST TWO YEARS APART.

WHEREAS, the Town of Parachute is a home-rule municipality and has adopted a home-rule Charter;

WHEREAS, Section 1-5 of the Charter, "Amendments to the Charter," states:

This Charter may be amended at any time in the manner provided in the Colorado Constitution and in Title 31, Article 2 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, as said provisions may be amended from time to time. Proceedings to amend the Charter may be initiated by the filing of a petition meeting the requirements of the Colorado Revised Statutes, or by the adoption of an ordinance by the Board of Trustees submitting the proposed amendment to a vote of the registered electors of the Town. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing the submission to the people of more than one Charter amendment at any one election. If provisions of two or more proposed amendments adopted or approved at the same election conflict, the amendment receiving the highest affirmative vote shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board"), by the adoption of this ordinance, wishes to propose an amendment to the Charter to a vote of the registered electors of the Town;

WHEREAS, under Section 2-8 of the existing Charter, Trustee terms in office are considered consecutive unless they are at least four years apart;

WHEREAS, the Board proposes to amend the Charter to decrease the time from four years to two years for terms in office to be considered consecutive (the "Charter Amendment");

WHEREAS, the Charter and C.R.S. § 31-2-210 requires any Charter amendment to be approved by the registered electors of the Town, and the Board desires to place the proposed Charter Amendment on the ballot for the regular election to be held on November 8, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO THAT:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. Ballot Question. The Board of Trustees hereby submits to the registered electors of the Town of Parachute the following ballot question and title for the coordinated election to take place on November 8, 2016:

SHALL SECTION 2-4 OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS WITH THE FOLLOWING STRIKEOUT LANGUAGE DELETED AND UNDERLINED LANGUAGE ADDED?

THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE FOUR (4) YEAR TERMS IN OFFICE. TERMS SHALL BE CONSIDERED CONSECUTIVE UNLESS THEY ARE AT LEAST FOUR TWO YEARS APART. IF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OCCURS AFTER A MAYOR OR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAS BEEN DISQUALIFIED BECAUSE OF THIS LIMITATION, THAT INDIVIDUAL WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO FILL THE VACANCY IF NO OTHER CANDIDATES OR APPLICANTS RUN OR APPLY FOR THE POSITION.

Section 3. Publication. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-2-210(4), the Town Clerk shall, within thirty days of the date of adoption of this Ordinance, publish notice of an election upon the amendment, which notice shall contain the full text of the amendment as contained in the Ordinance.

Section 4. Conduct of Election. The officers and employees of the Town are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this Ordinance.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, ADOPTED, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY TITLE ONLY by a vote of 6 to 0 of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Parachute, Colorado at a regular meeting held at Town Hall in the Town of Parachute, Colorado, on the 18th day of August, 2016 and approved by the Mayor on the 18 day of August, 2016.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN
OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO**

By:



Roy McClung, Mayor

ATTEST:



Town Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that an Ordinance entitled:

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was introduced before the Board of Trustees on August 18, 2016; that a copy of said Ordinance is posted at Town Hall; and that the Ordinance was approved at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held on August 18, 2016, and approved by the Mayor on August 18, 2016.

Copies of the adopted ordinance are available for inspection at the Town Hall, Parachute, Colorado and available on the internet at <http://www.parachutecolorado.com>.

Dated this 18 day of August, 2016.

TOWN OF PARACHUTE


Town Clerk