

**MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS**

**CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NUMBER 6 – PROPOSING TO AMEND  
THE FOREST HEIGHTS TOWN CHARTER SECTION 33-15. SELECTION AND  
TERM.**

**INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Myles Spires**

**ENACTED:**

WHEREAS, the continued legislative and administrative support of all departments within the Town of Forest Heights government is essential for continued maximum public safety and town development; and

WHEREAS, there have been clear concerns raised by residents and members of the Town Council concerning police powers and authority of the Forest Heights Police Department and administrative authority and effectiveness of the Town Treasurer and Town Clerk and the stability of their tenures; and

WHEREAS, the Section 33-90 of the Charter of the Town of Forest Heights and Article 23A § 12 and 13 empower and regulate the Town Council in enacting charter amendments and the Mayor in posting and publication of proposed charter amendments;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of Forest Heights proposes to amend the Charter of the Town of Forest Heights Section 33-15. Selection and Term. The amendment of the Charter of the Town of Forest Heights shall be enacted by striking the current language which reads *“The Mayor shall be elected as hereinafter provided and shall hold office for a term of two years or until his successor is elected and qualified. The newly elected mayor shall take office on the first Wednesday following his election. The Mayor holding office on October 10, 1963, shall continue to hold office for the term for which he was elected and until his successor takes office under the provisions of this Charter. (Ch. Res. No. 1, August 21, 1963, sec. 15.)”*. and replacing said language with the following language **“The Mayor shall be elected as hereinafter provided and shall hold office for a term of four years or until his successor is elected and qualified. The newly elected mayor shall take office on the first Wednesday following his election. The Mayor holding office on January 6, 2006 shall cease to hold office and the Council, by an enactment, shall appoint, elect or cause a new mayor to be elected under the provisions of this Charter”**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor shall give notice of this resolution for a proposed Charter Amendment by posting an exact copy thereof at the town hall for a period of at least forty days following its adoption and shall cause a fair summary of this proposed Charter Amendment to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Forest Heights not less than four times, at weekly intervals within a period of at least forty days starting not later than three days immediately following the date of the adoption of this resolution containing the proposed charter amendment.

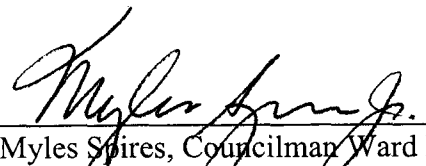
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that non-compliance with this resolution shall be deemed a misdemeanor and subject to 30 days in prison and a fine not to exceed \$1000.00; and

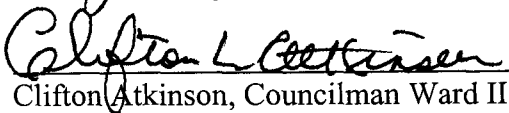
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any incident of non-compliance with this resolution, as determined by a majority vote of the town council, shall be prosecuted and/or referred to the State's Attorney for prosecution by the Town Attorney ; and

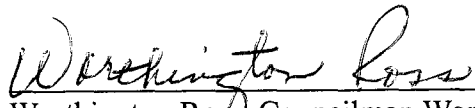
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and the Charter Amendment hereby proposed shall take effect January 6, 2006.

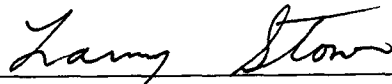
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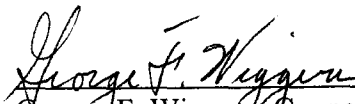
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Clifton Atkinson, Councilman Ward II

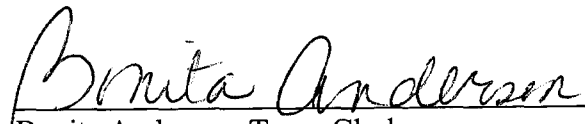
  
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Worthington Ross, Councilman Ward III

  
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Larry Stoner, Council President &  
Councilman Ward III

  
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George F. Wiggett, Councilman Ward I

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Alice Hoskins, Councilwoman Ward I

Attest:

  
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Bonita Anderson, Town Clerk