

TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN

160 Midland Avenue
Black Mountain, NC 28711



BoA Regular Session
November 19, 2018
Agenda Item 7C

RESOLUTION #R-18-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN SUPPORT OF EVEN YEAR ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, Session Law 2018-123 of the North Carolina General Assembly revised the charter for the City of Asheville to provide for the election of city council members from districts and to provide for the creation of those districts and to provide for even-year municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Black Mountain recognizes the advantages of maintaining uniformity in election cycles for municipal elections within a county; and

WHEREAS, there are potential cost savings for elections conducted for the Town of Black Mountain if municipal elections are moved to an even-year election cycle; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Black Mountain desires to create efficiency for voters during election cycles by reducing costs and creating a more streamlined election process; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Black Mountain as follows:

That the Town hereby requests its local delegation in the North Carolina General Assembly draft and introduce a bill moving the municipal elections for the Town of Black Mountain from odd-year elections to even-year elections, provided that the following provisions are met:

No regular election shall be conducted in the Town of Black Mountain in 2019. The terms of Board of Aldermen members elected in 2015 shall be extended until 2020 and the terms of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen members elected in 2017 shall be extended until 2022.

Elections for Mayor and Board of Aldermen shall continue to be held on a nonpartisan basis.

Three Aldermen shall be elected every four (4) years beginning in 2020, and the Mayor and two Aldermen shall be elected every four (4) years beginning in 2022, consistent with an amendment to the Town Charter requested and approved by the Town of Black Mountain Board of Aldermen on November 19, 2018, effectively adding one year to the term of presently sitting members of

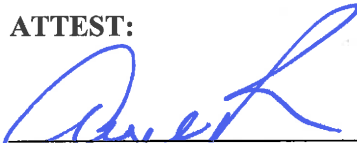
the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor. Elections shall be held in even- numbered years on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, beginning in 2020 and occurring every two (2) years thereafter.

READ, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by a vote of 3 to 1 this 19th day of November, 2018 with Alderman Ryan Stone opposing.




Don Collins, Mayor

ATTEST:



Angela Reece, Town Clerk



Josh Harrold, Town Manager