

CITIZEN PETITION

Shall section 2-2 of the town charter be amended to state: “the Town Council shall consist of an at-large Mayor and six Councilmembers, each of whom shall be elected from the district in which he or she resides.”; amending 2-5(a) to read: “The At-Large Mayor shall serve no more than two four-year terms. At the organizational meeting provided for in Section 2-3(c), the Council shall elect by majority vote of the entire Council one of its member as Mayor pro-tem who will serve until the next organizational meeting unless removed by a majority vote of the entire Council.”; in section 2-6 adding “or Mayor” after “Councilmember”; in section 2-7, “and Mayor” shall be added after “every councilmember”; in section 2-3(b) adding “and Mayor” after “The Councilmembers.”

2017 ELECTION

Ballot Question 300 - Castle Rock Charter Amendment

Shall the Town of Castle Rock Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that the Town Council, the seven-member governing body of the Town, consist of a Mayor elected by all of the electors of the Town for a four-year term, with the Mayor's service limited to two four-year terms, and six Councilmembers who are elected for four-year terms by the electors of the district where each Councilmember resides?

Yes	<u>10,409</u>	67.40%
No	<u>5,035</u>	32.60%

CHARTER SECTION 2-5

Section 2-5. Mayor.

(a) THE AT-LARGE MAYOR SHALL SERVE NO MORE THAN TWO FOUR-YEAR TERMS. AT THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 2-3(c), THE COUNCIL SHALL ELECT BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ENTIRE COUNCIL ONE OF ITS MEMBERS AS MAYOR PRO-TEM WHO WILL SERVE UNTIL THE NEXT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING UNLESS REMOVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ENTIRE COUNCIL.

(b) The Mayor shall preside at meetings of the Council and shall exercise such powers and perform such other duties as are conferred upon the Mayor by this Charter or the ordinances of the Town. The Mayor shall have all of the powers and responsibilities of a Councilmember. The Mayor shall be recognized as the head of the town government for all ceremonial and legal purposes and shall execute and authenticate legal documents requiring the signature of the Mayor.

TRANSITION PLAN

7-14 Transition to At-Large Mayor and Six Council Districts.

The following provisions shall supersede, govern and control over any other provisions of the Town Charter:

In 2018 the Election Commission shall establish six Councilmember districts. The six districts shall be configured such that the least populated district has a number of registered electors equal to or greater than eighty-five percent of the registered electors of the district with the highest number of registered electors. Districts shall be contiguous and compact whenever possible. The Election Commission shall establish district boundaries not later than July 31, 2018. The Election Commission shall determine, based on the available election records, the number of registered electors in each district on May 1, 2018. The establishment of the six district boundaries in 2018 shall not create a vacancy during the term of any Councilmember in office as of the date the boundaries are drawn by the Election Commission. The Election Commission shall designate the two district seats which will be filled at the November 2018 regular election. The subsequent review of District boundaries shall occur in 2021 and every six years thereafter in the manner provided in Section 4-5 of the Charter.

TRANSITION PLAN (cont.)

The Mayor and two of the six Councilmembers shall be elected to four-year terms at the November 2018 regular election. An election to fill the other four Councilmember districts for four-year terms shall be held at the November 2020 regular election.