



**Ordinance No. 2023-07**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON TO CHANGE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR COMMISSIONERS**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the General Statutes of North Carolina, Chapter 160A-101(4), the Town of Davidson may amend its Charter to change the terms of the board of commissioners to four-year staggered terms; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined by the board of commissioners after a public hearing that in order to meet the demands of the growing community by providing continuity, it is necessary to have four-year, staggered terms for the commissioners and a two-year term for the Mayor.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Davidson that the Charter of the Town of Davidson is hereby amended as follows:

1. The Mayor shall serve for a term of two years and members of the Board of Commissioners shall serve for staggered terms of four years, beginning the day and hour of the organizational meeting following their election, as established by ordinance in accordance with this Charter; provided they serve until their successors are elected and qualify.

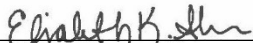
2. Regular municipal elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in November of each odd-numbered year. In the regular 2025 election, the town could have three 2-year seats on the ballot, and two 4-year seats on the ballot. After that election, everyone (except the mayor) runs for 4-year terms.

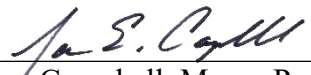
**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that these amendments shall be effective upon approval by a vote of the people pursuant to the Resolution calling for a special election adopted contemporaneously herewith and certified true copies shall be filed in the Office of the Secretary of state and the Legislative Library; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that these amendments so adopted must continue in force for at least two (2) years after the beginning of the first term of Mayor and Board elected thereunder before further changes can be considered.

Adopted this 8 of August 2023

Attest:

  
Elizabeth K. Shores, Town Clerk

  
Jane Campbell, Mayor Pro Tem