

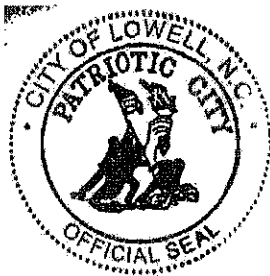
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF  
LOWELL TO IMPLEMENT FOUR-YEAR STAGGERED TERMS  
FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lowell:

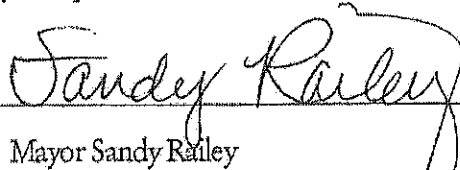
Section 1. Pursuant to G.S.160A-101 and 160A-102, the Charter of the City of Lowell, as set forth in Chapter 111 of the 1993 Session Laws House Bill 461 of North Carolina, as amended, is hereby further amended to provide that the members of the City of Lowell City Council and Mayor shall hereafter be elected for four-year terms on a staggered basis as set forth in Section 2 below.

Section 2. At the regular municipal election to be held in 2019, the Mayor and two candidates who receive the highest number of votes shall be elected for four-year terms, while the three candidates who receive the next highest number of votes shall be elected for two-year terms. At the regular municipal election to be held in 2021, and every four years thereafter, three members of the City Council shall be elected to serve for four-year terms. At the regular municipal election to be held in 2023, and every four years thereafter, the Mayor and two members of the City Council shall be elected to four-year terms.

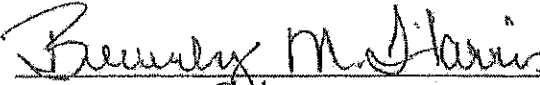
Section 3. The City Clerk shall cause a notice to be duly published, stating that an ordinance amending the Charter to implement four-year staggered terms for the members of the City Council and Mayor has been adopted. Subject to any referendum petitioned for and conducted pursuant to G.S. 160A-103, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after April 9, 2019.



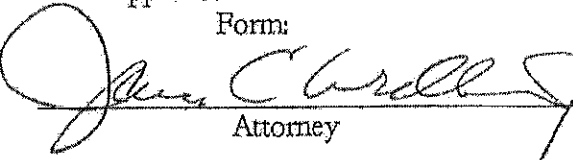
Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

  
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Mayor Sandy Railey

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk

Approved as to  
Form:

  
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Attorney