

**RESOLUTION NO 509**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES, OKLAHOMA, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JUNE 28, 2016, QUESTIONS, FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES, OKLAHOMA.**

**WHEREAS**, the Warr Acres City Council has considered the proposed amendments to the City Charter,

**PROPOSITION 2016.1**

Shall Article 7, Section 7-1 of the Warr Acres City Charter be amended to set the effective time and date of the term of office for the Mayor and Councilmen to begin at 6:00 p.m. o'clock p.m. on the first Tuesday following certification of their election:

**FOR THE PROPOSITION            YES ( )**  
**AGAINST THE PROPOSITION   NO ( )**

**PROPOSITION 2016.2**

Shall Article 7, Section 7-3 of the Warr Acres City Charter be amended to set the filing period as set out in Senate Bill 399 to be three (3) days to begin not more than twenty (20) days from the date the resolution is required to be submitted to the County Election Board:

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**PROPOSITION 2016.3**

Shall Article 7, Section 7-4 of the Warr Acres City Charter be amended regarding the dates for primary elections which may be held for municipal officials as set out in Senate Bill 312 to be the second Tuesday in February:

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**PROPOSITION 2016.4**

Shall Article 2, Section 2-9 of the Warr Acres City Charter be amended regarding vacancies of mayor and councilmen and the procedure for filling such vacancy:

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**AGAINST THE PROPOSITION   NO ( )**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has caused to be drafted the proposed City Charter amendments, which are available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, the constitution and laws of the State of Oklahoma, as well as the existing Charter of the City of Warr Acres, provide that such action may be accomplished by amendments which shall be voted on by the people of the City of Warr Acres; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to submit such proposed City Charter amendments to a vote of the people of the City of Warr Acres,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES**, that the document attached to this Resolution entitled “Proposed Amendments to the Charter of the City of Warr Acres, Oklahoma”, and Designated as Exhibit No. 1 hereof, be and the same is hereby submitted by the Council of the City of Warr Acres. The said proposed City Charter amendments shall be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Warr Acres in the City Hall for inspection by any interested person requesting to see the same.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Mayor of the City of Warr Acres, Oklahoma be authorized and directed to issue a proclamation submitting to the qualified electors of the City of Warr Acres, at the Special election which shall be held on June 28, 2016, the questions, for approval or rejection, of certain proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Warr Acres; further, provided, said City election shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Warr Acres, Oklahoma, and applicable state law.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that this Resolution shall become effective on the day of April 13, 2016, in order to comply with the requirement of State law for publication and notice to the County Election Board.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the ballot title for the questions which shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Warr Acres, Oklahoma, at said election shall be substantially as follows:

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Introduced and read in open meeting of the Council of the City of Warr Acres, Oklahoma, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

Adopted and approved in open meeting by the Council of the City of Warr Acres, Oklahoma, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016 to become effective on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

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Patrick H. Woolley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Pamela McDowell-Ramirez, City Clerk

Approved as to form by the Attorney of the City of Warr Acres, Oklahoma, on the 15<sup>th</sup>  
day of March, 2016.

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Matthew J. Love, City Attorney

## EXHIBIT NO. 1

### **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES, OKLAHOMA.**

#### **ARTICLE 7. ELECTIONS**

##### Mayor And Councilmen Elected For Two-Year Terms; When Terms Begin:

Section 7-1. At the elections in every odd-numbered year, a mayor shall be elected at large, and a councilman shall be elected from and by each ward of the city. At the elections in every even-numbered year, a councilman shall be elected from and by each ward of the city. The mayor and all councilmen shall serve for terms of two years.

The terms of office of the mayor and councilmen to begin at ~~7:00~~ 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the first Tuesday following certification of their election. If the mayor-elect or a councilman-elect fails to qualify within one month thereafter, his office shall become vacant; and the council shall fill the vacancy.

##### Primary Election; Filing:

Section 7-3. Any qualified person may have his name placed on the ballot for the primary election as a candidate for mayor or councilman from the ward in which he resides by filing, ~~not more than one month and at least two weeks prior to the primary election with the city clerk, a sworn statement of his candidacy.~~ with the County Election Board, during a three (3) day candidate filing period beginning not more than twenty (20) days from the date the resolution calling the election is required by law to be filed with the County Election Board. The filing dates shall be established by the Council and set forth in the resolution calling for the election. A sworn statement of his candidacy shall also be filed with the city clerk.

##### Primary Election; Time, Etc.:

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## ARTICLE 2. MAYOR AND COUNCIL

### Mayor And Council; Vacancies:

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**NOTICE OF CHARTER AMENDMENT ELECTION**

**PURSUANT TO TITLE 11, O. S. SECTION 13-106, THE CITY COUNCIL OF WARR ACRES, OKLAHOMA HEREBY PUBLISHES NOTICE OF SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JUNE 28, 2016, QUESTIONS, FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, OF THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WARR ACRES, OKLAHOMA:**

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