



TOWN OF MADISON

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Regular Meeting – October 24, 2022

Board of Selectmen

Questions on November 8th Ballot

Question #1: *Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to permit the General Assembly to provide for early voting?*

- Allows legislature to establish procedures for in-person early voting

Town of Madison Charter Revision Questions

Question #2: *Shall the proposed Charter Amendment to Section 4.1 of the Town's Charter changing the term of the First Selectman and all other members of the Board of Selectmen to four (4) years, as set forth in the Charter Revision Commission's Final Report and accepted by the Board of Selectmen, be adopted? YES/NO*

- Changes term of First Selectman/Board of Selectmen from 2 to 4 years
- Applies to newly elected members after November 2023 municipal elections

Question #3: *Shall the remaining proposed Charter Amendments contained in the Charter Revision Commission's Final Report, which Report was accepted by the Board of Selectmen on July 28, 2022, be adopted? YES/NO*

- Accepts all other proposed revisions (**excluding** Question #1 above)
- Most changes go into effect 30 days after approval
- New Board of Finance seat applies to November 2023 municipal elections

Selected Proposed Revisions*

Topic	Proposed Revision
Town Meeting Form of Govt.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Quorum for Town Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increases from 75 electors to 150
Board of Selectmen/ First Selectman Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increases term from 2 years to 4 years • Applies to 2023 municipal elections cycle
Board of Finance Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increases members from 6 members to 7 • Applies to 2023 municipal elections cycle
Town Meeting approval of Special Appropriation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increases threshold from \$50K to \$250K per department • Still requires Selectmen, Finance Board approvals
Boards / Commissions designated in Charter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes Boards / Commissions required by state statute • Current boards to be established through local ordinance
Authority of First Selectman, Selectmen & Finance Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makes descriptive changes to clarify roles, responsibilities • Aligns authorities with state statute
Annual Budget Timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expands budget approval process/timeline
Nomenclature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows BOS to determine nomenclature for elected officials
Election of Chair for Appointed Boards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of Chair required annually • Term limited to 4 consecutive years

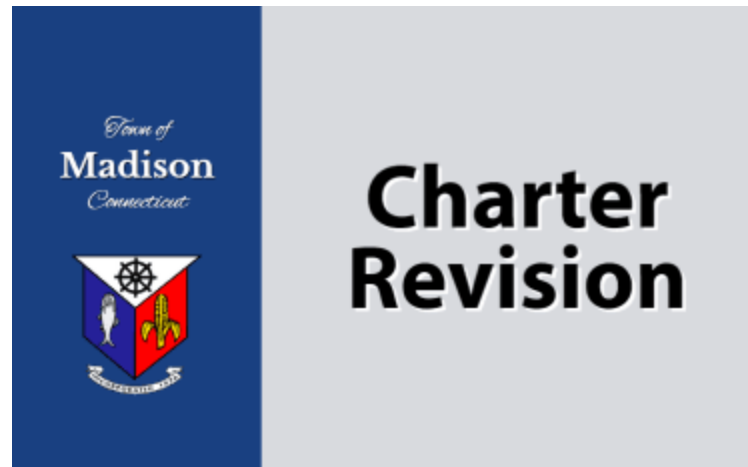
* Summary from Explanatory Text. Does not reflect all proposed revisions. Please see the Draft Charter and Redline Version available on the Town website and in the Town Clerk's office.

Town Charter Proposed Revisions

***Be an Informed Voter on
November 8th!***

Email questions to charterinfo@madisonct.org

Visit <https://www.madisonct.org/> and click the box for the Draft Charter, Redlined Version, and Explanatory Text



Explanatory Text in print form available at the Town Clerk's Office, Scranton Library, and the Madison Senior Center. Also mailed with absentee ballots.