

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
ORDINANCE NO. 933
2ND SERIES**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 5.02, 5.03 AND 5.04 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF
THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA**

The City Council of the City of Alexandria does ORDAIN that the Home Rule Charter of the City of Alexandria be amended as follows:

SECTION I.

Article V

Sec. 5.02. Initiative.

Subd. 1. Generally.

Any five electors who are residents of the City of Alexandria may form themselves into a committee for the initiation of any legislative measure of public concern. After formulating their measure, they shall file a verified copy thereof with the city clerk, together with their years of birth, names, and addresses as members of such committee. They shall also attach a verified copy of the proposed measure to each of the signature papers herein described, together with their names and addresses as sponsors therefore.

Subd. 2. Form of Petition and Signature Papers.

The petition for the adoption of any measure shall consist of the measure, together with all the signature papers and affidavits thereto attached. Such petition shall not be complete unless signed by a number of voters equal to at least ten percent of the total number of votes cast at the last preceding regular municipal election. All the signatures need not be on one signature paper, but the circulator of every such paper shall make an affidavit that each signature appended to the paper is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. Every circulator of a signature paper must be a resident of the state of Minnesota. Each signature paper shall be substantially the following form:

Initiative Petition

proposing an ordinance to _____ (stating the purpose of the measure), a copy of which ordinance is hereto attached. This measure is sponsored by the following committee of electors:

Name	Address	Year of Birth
1 _____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____
5 _____	_____	_____

Instructions to Petition Signers

You are being asked to sign a petition. You must be a resident of, and a registered voter, in the City of Alexandria. Every person signing this petition must do so in the presence of the person circulating the petition. It is a criminal offense to sign a name other than your own to the petition or to accept compensation for signing your name to the petition.

The undersigned registered voters, understanding the terms and nature of the ordinance attached, petition the Council for its adoption, or, in lieu thereof, for its submission to the voters for their approval.

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Legal Signature</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Year of Birth</u>
<u>1.</u>					
<u>2.</u>					
<u>3.</u>					

At the end of the list of signatures shall be appended the affidavit of the circulator mentioned above.

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Sec. 5.03. Referendum.

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Subd. 2. Referendum Petition.

The requirements laid down in Section 5.02, Subdivisions 1 and 2 as to the formation of committees for the initiation of measures and as to the form of petitions and signature papers shall apply to the referendum as far as possible, but with such verbal changes as may be necessary. A referendum petition shall read substantially as follows:

Referendum Petition

proposing the repeal (or partial repeal, as the case may be) of an ordinance to (stating the purpose of the measure), a copy of which ordinance is hereto attached. The proposed repeal is sponsored by the following committee of electors:

Name	Address	Year of Birth
1 _____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____
5 _____	_____	_____

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The undersigned qualified registered voters, understanding the nature of the ordinance hereto attached and believing it is to be detrimental to the welfare of the City, petition the Council for its submission to a vote of the voters for their approval or disapproval.

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Legal Signature</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Year of Birth</u>
<u>1.</u>					
<u>2.</u>					
<u>3.</u>					

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Section. 5.04. Recall.

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Subd. 2. Recall Petitions.

The petition for the recall of any official shall consist of a certificate identical with that filed with the city clerk together with all the signature papers and affidavits thereto attached. All the signatures need not be on one signature paper, but the circulator of every such paper shall make an affidavit that each signature appended to the paper is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. Every circulator of a signature paper must be a resident of the state of Minnesota. Each signature paper shall be in substantially the following form:

Recall Petition

proposing the recall of _____ from his/her office as _____, which recall is sought for the reasons set forth in the attached certificate. This movement is sponsored by the following committee of electors who are all residents of the City of Alexandria:

Name	Address	Year of Birth
1 _____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____
5 _____	_____	_____

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The undersigned registered voters, all being eligible to vote on candidates for that office, understanding the nature of the charges against the elected officer herein sought to be recalled, desire the holding of a recall election for that purpose.

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Legal Signature</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Year of Birth</u>
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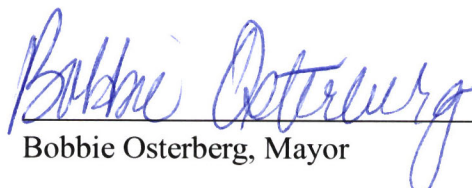
SECTION II. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect 90 days from and after its passage and publication.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Alexandria this 8th day of December 2025, by the following vote:

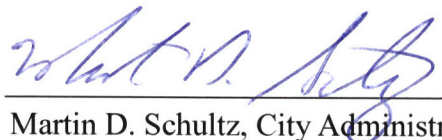
YES: FRANZEN, THALMAN, ALLEN, MACE, KVALE

NO: NONE

ABSENT: NONE



 Bobbie Osterberg, Mayor

ATTEST: 

 Martin D. Schultz, City Administrator