

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF THE SECOND SENTENCE OF SECTION 11 TO DELETE REFERENCE TO "VOLUNTEER" AND ADD LANGUAGE CONCERNING EMPLOYEES AND REGULAR FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTERS; PROVIDING FOR APPROVED AMENDMENTS TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN; AND FOR THE FILING OF THE REVISED CHARTER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Davie, Florida, finds and determines it is in the best interests of the Town of Davie that the citizens have the opportunity to vote on an amendment to the Charter of the Town of Davie; and

WHEREAS, a referendum election is required to amend the Charter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Subject to the conditions set forth herein, the second sentence of Section 11 of the Charter of the Town of Davie shall be amended to read as follows:

The fire department shall consist of a fire chief and as many ~~subordinate volunteer~~ or regular full-time firefighters and such additional employees as may be necessary for the efficient function of said department in accordance with applicable state laws, town ordinances and departmental rules and regulations.

SECTION 2. This amendment to the Charter shall be submitted to the vote of the electors of the Town of Davie at the general election scheduled for March 13, 2001.

SECTION 3. That the amendment of the Charter subsection set forth herein, if approved by the majority of the electors voting upon the referendum question, shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 4. Notice of the election to vote on the proposed amendments to the Charter shall be given at least thirty (30) days in advance of the election and shall be given in a newspaper of general circulation published in Broward County, Florida. The notice shall be published at least twice, once in the fifth week and once in the third week prior to the week in which the election is to be held.

SECTION 5. The proposed amendment to the second sentence of Section 11 of the Charter shall appear on the ballot as follows:

TOWN OF DAVIE

CHARTER AMENDMENT PROVIDING FOR DELETING "VOLUNTEERS" AND ADDING LANGUAGE CONCERNING FIREFIGHTERS AND OTHER EMPLOYEES.

Shall the second sentence of Section 11 of the Town of Davie Charter be amended so as to delete reference to "volunteers" and add language concerning regular full-time firefighters and other employees for the efficient function of said department in accordance with applicable state laws, town ordinances and departmental rules and regulations?

YES _____

NO _____

SECTION 6. Upon adoption of the proposed amendment by a majority of the electors voting upon such amendment, the amendment of the second sentence of Section 11 of the Charter as set forth herein shall be incorporated into the Charter of the Town of Davie and the new amendment shall be filed as provided by law.

SECTION 7. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, or section of this ordinance is for any reason held unconstitutional or invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the validity of any remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED ON FIRST READING THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2000.

PASSED ON SECOND READING THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2001.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2001.