

**CITY OF DUNES CITY,
LANE COUNTY, OREGON
RESOLUTION SERIES 2025, NO. 7**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF DUNES CITY, LANE
COUNTY, AMENDING THE CHARTER ALLOWING ALTERNATIVE TO
SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTORS.**

WHEREAS, the Dunes City Council has reviewed the City's nominations procedures; and

WHEREAS, Section 30 of the City Charter specifies that a petition shall be signed by no fewer than 20 electors; and

WHEREAS, the City Charter does not provide an alternative other than a petition;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to refer an amendment of the Dunes City Charter to the voters of the City to revise City Charter, Section 30.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DUNES CITY COUNCIL AS
FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. An amendment to the Dunes City Charter is approved for submission to the voters of the City such that Section 30 would be amended to read:

Section 30. A qualified elector who is a resident of the city may be nominated for an elective city office to be filled at the election. The nomination shall be by a petition that specifies the office sought and shall be in a form prescribed by the council. Such petition shall be signed by no fewer than 20 electors or be accompanied by a fee of \$20.00. No elector shall sign more than one petition for each office to be filled at the election. If such is done, the signature shall be valid only on the first sufficient petition filed for the office. The signatures to a nomination petition need not all be appended to one paper, but to each separate paper of the petition shall be attached an affidavit of the circulator thereof, indicating the number or signers of the paper and stating that each signature appended thereto was made in the presence of person filing the petition and is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. Opposite each signature shall be stated the signer's place of residence, identified by its street and number or other sufficient designation. All nomination papers comprising a petition shall be assembled and filed with the recorder as one instrument not earlier than 90 nor later than 65 days before the election. The recorder shall make a record of the exact time and date at which each petition is filed and shall take and preserve the name and address of the person by whom it is filed. If the petition is not signed by the required number of qualified electors, the recorder shall notify the candidate and the person who filed the petition within five days after the filing. If the petition is insufficient in any

other particular, the recorder shall return it immediately to the person who filed it, certifying in writing wherein the petition is insufficient. The deficient petition may be amended and filed again as a new petition, or a substitute petition for the same candidate may be filed, within the regular time for filing nomination petitions. The recorder shall notify an eligible person of this nomination, and that person shall file with the recorder a written acceptance of nomination, in such form as the council may require, within five days of notification of nomination. Upon receipt of the acceptance of nomination, the recorder shall cause the nominee's name to be printed on the ballots. The petition of nomination for a successful candidate at an election shall be preserved in the office of the recorder until the term of office for which the candidate is elected expires.

Section 2. The Council directs and authorizes that a City election be held on November 4, 2025, and that this Charter amendment be submitted to the legal voters of the City.

Section 3. Ballots from the election shall be counted, tabulated, and the results certified as provided by law, and if a majority of the legal voters of the City voting on this measure approve the amendment, the amendment shall be effective July 1, 2026.

Section 4. The election shall be conducted by Lane County. The elections official for Lane County is hereby instructed to prepare ballots and to take other actions necessary to conduct the election.

Section 5. The proposed ballot title for the measure is attached as Exhibit A.

Section 6. This Resolution, including the proposed ballot title, shall be filed with the City Recorder for the City of Dunes City.

Section 7. The City Recorder shall give notice of this measure as required by law and take such other actions and otherwise proceed with the election as provided by law in compliance with this Resolution. Upon completion of the ballot title notice period, the City Recorder shall complete SEL 802 and file the form in accordance with applicable law. If Lane County publishes a voters' pamphlet for the November election, the City Recorder is directed to prepare an explanatory statement and submit such statement to the Lane County elections official. The City Recorder shall complete the necessary forms with Lane County to submit the explanatory statement for publication.

Section 8. The elections officer for Lane County is hereby directed to proceed with the election by placing the measure on the ballot. The City Recorder and elections officer for Lane County are authorized and directed to take such actions and to proceed with the election as provided by state law and this Resolution. The City Recorder or the City Recorder's designee is authorized to make such changes in the ballot title and notices as may be required by the Lane County elections official, applicable reviewing court, or applicable law.

Section 9. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED BY THE DUNES CITY COUNCIL THIS 6TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0 Vacant: 0

Ed McGuire
Ed McGuire, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lila Timmons
Lila Timmons, City Administrator/Recorder

Exhibit A

Ballot Title

Caption

Measure proposing an amendment to the Dunes City Charter

Question

Shall the Dunes City Charter be amended to allow electors to pay a fee in lieu of obtaining 20 signatures?

Summary

The Dunes City Charter is the governing document for the City of Dunes City. This measure would revise Chapter VI, section 30 of the current Amended City Charter, adopted November 4, 1980. The City Council approved the revised provision following a public meeting on July 2, 2025 and directed that it be submitted to the City voters for consideration at the November, 2025 election. The proposed revision would amend the current language of Chapter VI, Section 30 to include the following sentence, "Such petition shall be signed by not fewer than 20 electors or be accompanied by a fee of \$20.00."

Full text of the current City Charter and the proposed amendment can be viewed at City Hall during normal business hours or on the City's website.