

CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
PROPOSED AMENDMENT(S) TO RESOLUTION NO. 2025-__
Charter Amendment – Mayoral Voting Powers

Mayor and Members of the City Council:

In relation to Resolution No. 2025-__:

PROPOSING A BALLOT QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY’S VOTERS DURING THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025, REGULAR LOCAL ELECTION REGARDING AMENDING THE CITY’S CHARTER TO LIMIT THE MAYOR’S AUTHORITY TO VOTE WHEN THERE IS A TIE.

I intend to propose the following amendment(s)

1. On page 1, line 13, *insert* “COUNTING” after “LIMIT” and *delete* “AUTHORITY TO”.
2. On page 1, line 14, *insert* “SITUATIONS” before “WHEN THERE IS A TIE”.
3. On page 1, line 16, *replace* “only when there is a tie” with “; however, because knowing where a mayor stands on all issues is important for transparency before the community, the mayor should vote on all matters and the vote should only count toward the outcome in the instance of a tie among city councilors”.
4. On page 1, line 25, *insert* “counting” after “limit”, *delete* “ability to”, *strike* “only”; and *insert* “to situations” before “when there is a tie”.
5. On page 2, line 5, *insert* “Cast the first” before “Vote”; *replace* “V” with “v”, making it “vote”; and *delete* “only in the case of a tie”.
6. On page 2, line 6, *insert* “; such vote shall only be counted in the case of a tie amongst city councilors” after “body,”.
7. On page 3, line 18, *replace* “only allow” with “require”.
8. On page 3, line 19, *insert* “first for matters that come before the governing body and limit counting the Mayor’s vote to situations the vote is needed” after “vote”.
9. On page 3, lines 19-20, *delete* “for matters that come before the governing body”.
10. On page 4, line 2, *insert* “Cast the first” before “Vote”; *replace* “V” with “v”, making it “vote”; and *delete* “only in the case of a tie”.
11. On page 4, line 3, *insert* “and to limit counting the Mayor’s vote to situations the vote is needed to break a tie amongst city councilors” after “governing body”.

This amendment WILL change the caption. X

This amendment WILL NOT change the caption.

Respectfully submitted,

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Erin K. McSherry, City Attorney

ADOPTED: _____

NOT ADOPTED: _____

DATE: _____

ANDRÉA SALAZAR, City Clerk