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Charter amendments on the ballot for Nov. 3 election

LITTLE ELM (October 12, 2015) Voters in Little Elm will go to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 3 and decide whether or not to change portions of the Town's charter regarding some rules governing elected and appointed positions, says Town Secretary Kathy Phillips.

"There are five propositions on the ballot that would, if passed, affect the Town's charter," she said. "And in each case, the changes would involve either elected or appointed officials."

Election Day voting will occur from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Voters will be required to cast their ballots at their appropriate precinct's voting site. Early Voting begins on Monday, Oct. 19 and continues through Wednesday, Oct. 28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is no Early Voting on Sunday, Oct. 25. On Thursday, Oct. 29 and Friday, Oct. 30, Early Voting hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

A complete list of Election Day and Early Voting polling sites is available at www.votementon.com. Voter precincts in Little Elm include 1004, 1006, 1025, 1026, 1027, 1028, 1030, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031 and 2032. A check of the voter's registration card will reveal the holder's precinct number.

Proposition one changes the number of successive terms of office for the Mayor and members of the Council from two terms to three terms. Terms of office remain at three years in length.

Proposition two changes the configuration of the Little Elm Planning and Zoning Commission from five members and four alternates to seven members and two alternates.

Proposition three changes the configuration of the Board of Adjustments from five members and four alternates to five members and two alternates.

Proposition four changes the meeting requirement for the Charter Review Committee from every two years to every four years.

Proposition five changes the election calendar so that one Town-wide, at-large position on the Council is elected in every election year starting with the May 2020 election.

To compensate for the changes, should they pass, the length of terms of some Council members will vary slightly until all are aligned with the three-year terms.

"Anyone wishing to review the proposed charter amendments, and how they would change the charter, may do so by contacting my office by calling (214) 975-0404," said Phillips.

The amendments, if enacted, would have a negligible financial impact, if any. Voters may apply for a ballot by mail by contacting the Denton County Elections Administrator.

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ABOUT LITTLE ELM – Little Elm is one of the state's fastest growing communities. Nestled on the shores of Lake Lewisville, the Town was incorporated in 1966, adopting the Council/Manager form of government. The population increased dramatically over the last several years, growing from under 4,000 in 2000 to over 30,000 today. Little Elm's population exceeds the state average in education and income, and is increasingly trending younger and technologically proficient. The Town's footprint is just over 21 square miles and boasts some 66 linear miles of shoreline within its boundaries.