

AGENDA Saturday, March 20, 2010
Mayoral Candidate Forum 3:00 p.m. at Carnegie
Town Hall

235 West Tenth Street
Sponsored By: The City of Sioux Falls, The
League of Women Voters, Sioux Falls, and
the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of
Commerce

1. Opening Remarks

A. Sample ballots will be available

Document: Sample Ballot - Front Side

Document: Sample Ballot - Back Side

B. Handouts will be available on ballot issues from the Charter Revision Commission:

Document: Proposed Charter Revisions - Overstruck and Underscored Versions

a. Charter Amendment A: Relating to budgets

b. Charter Amendment B: Relating to Districting Commission

c. Charter Amendment C: Relating to the Conduct of Elections

C. Please feel free to pick up copies of the above

D. Questions for the candidates can be called in to the City Clerk's Office at 367-8080 or you can email your questions to clerks@siouxfalls.org

2. Introductions

3. Mayor Candidate Forum Q&A

A. Bill Peterson

B. Vernon Brown

C. J. Pat Costello

D. Kermit L. Stagers

E. Mike Huether

F. Janoet Ajda

4. Adjournment

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**City of Sioux Falls Municipal/School Board Election
SAMPLE BALLOT**

A SIOUX FALLS	B APRIL 13, 2010	C SOUTH DAKOTA
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>Instructions to the Voter: To vote for a person FILL IN the oval (●) next to the name. Use only a pencil or pen. If you make a mistake, give the ballot back and get a new one. DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race.</p> </div> <hr/> <p align="center">For the School District:</p> <hr/> <p>FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER (Three-year term; you may vote for up to two or leave it blank)</p> <hr/> <p><input type="radio"/> Julie A. Westra</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jenay Hallickson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kent Alberty</p> <hr/> <p align="center">For the City:</p> <hr/> <p>FOR MAYOR (Four-year term; you may vote for one or leave it blank)</p> <hr/> <p><input type="radio"/> Bill Peterson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Vernon Brown</p> <p><input type="radio"/> J. Pat Costello</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kermit L. Staggers</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mike Huether</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Janoct Ajda</p> <hr/> <p>FOR AT LARGE (A) CITY COUNCIL MEMBER (Four-year term; you may vote for one or leave it blank)</p> <hr/> <p><input type="radio"/> Rex Rolfing</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Charles Gaetze</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jesus Ramirez</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Clara Hart</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Clarence Kooistra</p> <hr/> <p>FOR AT LARGE (B) CITY COUNCIL MEMBER (Four-year term; you may vote for one or leave it blank)</p> <hr/> <p><input type="radio"/> James Entenman</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michael Jones</p>	<hr/> <p align="center">FOR CENTRAL DISTRICT CITY COUNCIL MEMBER (Four-year term; you may vote for one or leave it blank)</p> <hr/> <p><input type="radio"/> Theresa Stehly</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michelle Erpenbach</p> <p><input type="radio"/> James Milne</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michael Hemmer</p> <hr/> <p align="center">FOR SOUTHEAST DISTRICT CITY COUNCIL MEMBER (Four-year term; you may vote for one or leave it blank)</p> <hr/> <p><input type="radio"/> Ryan White</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bob Christensen</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Sue Aguilar</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>The following amendments to the Sioux Falls City Charter have been proposed by either the City's Charter Revision Commission or the Sioux Falls City Council.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>Instructions to the Voter: To vote on a ballot question, FILL IN the oval (●) next to "Yes" or "No." DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race.</p> </div> <hr/> <p align="center">Charter Amendment A</p> <hr/> <p>Shall Section 5.04 be amended to read: The budget shall provide a complete financial plan of all city funds and activities for the ensuing fiscal year and, except as required by law or this charter, shall be in such form as the mayor deems appropriate. The city council may require additional information or details about the mayor's budget proposal. The budget shall begin with a clear general summary of its contents; shall show in detail all estimated income, indicating the proposed property tax levy, and all proposed expenditures, including debt service, for the ensuing fiscal year; and shall be so arranged as to show comparative figures for actual and estimated income and expenditures of the current fiscal year and actual income and expenditures of the preceding two (2) fiscal years. It shall indicate in separate sections:</p> <p>City Attorney's Explanation of Amendment A:</p> <p>The proposed change, as approved and submitted by the Charter Revision Commission, clarifies that the mayor will determine the appropriate form or format of the annual budget submission to the city council and also specifies that city council members may thereafter inquire and obtain any necessary information about the mayor's budget proposal.</p> <p><i>Shall the City of Sioux Falls adopt Amendment A?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
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**City of Sioux Falls Municipal/School Board Election
SAMPLE BALLOT**

D	SIoux FALLS	E	APRIL 13, 2010	F	SOUTH DAKOTA
<p align="center">Charter Amendment B</p> <p>Shall Subsections (1) and (4) of Section 6.02 (b) be amended to read:</p> <p>(b) Districting commission; composition; appointment; terms; vacancies; compensation.</p> <p>(1) There shall be a districting commission consisting of five (5) members. No more than three (3) commission members may belong to the same political party. The city council shall appoint five (5) members, one member from each of the city's five districts. These five (5) members shall, with the affirmative vote of at least three (3) members, choose one of their members who shall serve as chairperson.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>(4) In the event of a vacancy on the commission by death, resignation, incapacity or moving out of the district within 30 days of his or her appointment, the city council shall appoint a new member enrolled in the same political party and from the same city district from which his or her predecessor was selected, to serve the balance of the term remaining.</p> <p>City Attorney's Explanation of Amendment B:</p> <p>The proposed change, as approved and submitted by the Charter Revision Commission, would require that in the future each appointed districting commission member would have his or her home residence in a separate city council district in order to allow for representation of each of the five (5) city council districts. In addition, Subsection 4 further clarifies how a vacancy on the districting commission may occur and/or be filled by the city council.</p> <p align="center"><i>Shall the City of Sioux Falls adopt Amendment B?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>		<p align="center">Charter Amendment C</p> <p>Shall Subsection (c) of Section 6.01 be amended to read:</p> <p>(c) Conduct of elections. All elections provided for by the charter shall be conducted by the election authorities established by law. Candidates shall run for office without party designation and shall declare whether seeking an at-large or district seat. Candidates for district seats must reside within the district. No person shall be eligible for elective municipal office unless a nominating petition is first filed. Nominating petitions shall conform in all respects to the provisions of South Dakota state law, except that the deadline for filing shall be no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last Friday in February. The mayoral and at-large council candidate nominating petitions shall be signed by not less than 200 registered voters of the city. The council district nominating petitions shall be signed by not less than 50 registered voters of the city. Council district nominating petitions shall be signed by registered voters who shall reside in the council district thereof, and who shall be eligible to vote for the nominee. For the conduct of city elections, for the prevention of fraud in such elections, and for the recount of ballots in cases of doubt or fraud, the city council shall adopt ordinances consistent with law and this charter, and the election authorities may adopt further regulations consistent with law and this charter and the ordinances of the council. Such ordinances and regulations pertaining to elections shall be publicized in the manner of city ordinances generally.</p> <p>City Attorney's Explanation of Amendment C:</p> <p>The proposed change, as adopted by ordinance and thereby submitted by the Sioux Falls City Council, would provide that council candidates seeking to run for city council district positions would no longer be required to obtain 200 registered city voter signatures on their nominating petitions. Instead, city council district nominating petitions would only be required to have at least 50 signatures of registered city voters residing in that respective city council district. The proposed change is offered since there is a smaller pool of available registered city voters to sign nominating petitions in each council district as compared to that which is available to mayoral or at-large council candidates. The charter requirement for mayoral and council candidates seeking to run for at-large city council positions would remain unchanged in requiring 200 registered city voter signatures for their nominating petitions.</p> <p align="center"><i>Shall the City of Sioux Falls adopt Amendment C?</i></p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>			
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Charter Amendment Election
– Ballot Addendum for City Council –
April 13, 2010

The following amendments to the Sioux Falls City Charter have been proposed by either the City’s Charter Revision Commission or the Sioux Falls City Council.

Instructions to the Voter:

Voters desiring to vote in favor of the proposed amendment should completely blacken the oval (○) immediately preceding the word “Yes.”

Voters desiring to vote against the proposed amendment should completely blacken the oval (○) immediately preceding the word “No.”

Charter Amendment A

Shall Section 5.04 be amended to read:

The budget shall provide a complete financial plan of all city funds and activities for the ensuing fiscal year and, except as required by law or this charter, shall be in such form as the mayor deems ~~desirable or the city council may require~~ appropriate. The city council may require additional information or details about the mayor’s budget proposal. The budget shall begin with a clear general summary of its contents; shall show in detail all estimated income, indicating the proposed property tax levy, and all proposed expenditures, including debt service, for the ensuing fiscal year; and shall be so arranged as to show comparative figures for actual and estimated income and expenditures of the current fiscal year and actual income and expenditures of the preceding two (2) fiscal years. It shall indicate in separate sections:

City Attorney’s Explanation of Amendment A:

The proposed change, as approved and submitted by the Charter Revision Commission, clarifies that the mayor will determine the appropriate form or format of the annual budget submission to the city council and also specifies that city council members may thereafter inquire and obtain any necessary information about the mayor’s budget proposal.

Shall the City of Sioux Falls adopt Amendment A?

- Yes
- No

Charter Amendment B

Shall Subsections (1) and (4) of Section 6.02 (b) be amended to read:

(b) Districting commission; composition; appointment; terms; vacancies; compensation.

(1) There shall be a districting commission consisting of five (5) members. No more than three (3) commission members may belong to the same political party. The city council shall appoint ~~four (4)~~ five (5) members, one member from each of the city's five districts. These ~~four (4)~~ five (5) members shall, with the affirmative vote of at least three (3) members, choose ~~the fifth member~~ one of their members who shall ~~be chairman~~ serve as chairperson.

.....

(4) In the event of a vacancy on the commission by death, resignation, incapacity or ~~otherwise~~ moving out of the district within 30 days of his or her appointment, the city council shall appoint a new member enrolled in the same political party and from the same city district from which his or her predecessor was selected, to serve the balance of the term remaining.

City Attorney's Explanation of Amendment B:

The proposed change, as approved and submitted by the Charter Revision Commission, would require that in the future each appointed districting commission member would have his or her home residence in a separate city council district in order to allow for representation of each of the five (5) city council districts. In addition, Subsection 4 further clarifies how a vacancy on the districting commission may occur and/or be filled by the city council.

Shall the City of Sioux Falls adopt Amendment B?

Yes

No

Charter Amendment C

Shall Subsection (c) of Section 6.01 be amended to read:

- (c) *Conduct of elections.* All elections provided for by the charter shall be conducted by the election authorities established by law. Candidates shall run for office without party designation and shall declare whether seeking an at-large or district seat. Candidates for district seats must reside within the district. No person shall be eligible for elective municipal office unless a nominating petition is first filed. Nominating petitions shall conform in all respects to the provisions of South Dakota state law, except that the deadline for filing shall be no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last Friday in February ~~and the~~ The mayoral and at-large council candidate nominating petitions shall be signed by not less than 200 registered voters of the city ~~or~~ The council district nominating petitions shall be signed by not less than 50 registered voters of the city. Council district nominating petitions shall be signed by registered voters who shall reside in the council district thereof, and who shall be eligible to vote for the nominee. For the conduct of city elections, for the prevention of fraud in such elections, and for the recount of ballots in cases of doubt or fraud, the city council shall adopt ordinances consistent with law and this charter, and the election authorities may adopt further regulations consistent with law and this charter and the ordinances of the council. Such ordinances and regulations pertaining to elections shall be publicized in the manner of city ordinances generally.

City Attorney's Explanation of Amendment C:

The proposed change, as adopted by ordinance and thereby submitted by the Sioux Falls City Council, would provide that council candidates seeking to run for city council district positions would no longer be required to obtain 200 registered city voter signatures on their nominating petitions. Instead, city council district nominating petitions would only be required to have at least 50 signatures of registered city voters residing in that respective city council district. The proposed change is offered since there is a smaller pool of available registered city voters to sign nominating petitions in each council district as compared to that which is available to mayoral or at-large council candidates. The charter requirement for mayoral and council candidates seeking to run for at-large city council positions would remain unchanged in requiring 200 registered city voter signatures for their nominating petitions.

Shall the City of Sioux Falls adopt Amendment C?

Yes

No