

Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Scheduling a Discussion to Consider Making the Name of the Governing Board Gender Neutral **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this item is to schedule a future discussion regarding making the name of the governing board of the Town of Carrboro gender neutral. **DEPARTMENT:** Town Clerk

CONTACT INFORMATION: Town Clerk

INFORMATION:

Section 2-1. Governing Body.

(a) The governing body of the Town of Carrboro shall consist of a mayor and six aldermen, commissioners, councilors, or council members, as determined by resolution of the Town of Carrboro, elected as provided in Section 2-2. The governing body shall be known as the Board of Aldermen, Board of Commissioners, Board of Councillors, or Town Council, as determined by resolution of the Town of Carrboro. Whenever this Charter or any ordinance, resolution, or other document refers to the Carrboro Board of Aldermen, such reference shall be deemed to refer to the Carrboro Board of Aldermen, Board of Councillors, or Town Council, as determined by resolution of Carrboro. [Amended by S.L. 1999, Ch. 255, Sec. 2]

Names not listed in Section 2-1 would require an act of the General Assembly.

If the Board so directs, discussion of this matter will be scheduled with a public hearing at the Board of Aldermen meeting on Tuesday, November 19, 2019.

At this meeting, the Board will hear from the public and consider the following:

1.Whether to adopt a resolution changing the name of the governing body to one of the allowable options per Section 2-1(a);

2. Whether to approve another name for the governing body and instruct staff to pursue a local act with the Town's legislative delegation;

3. Whether to keep the current name of the governing body.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: There will be various levels staff time associated with responding to the direction of the Board. The estimate is between 2 and 10 hours depending upon the direction.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board schedule this discussion for November 19, 2019.