

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ELECTIONS FOR TOWN OFFICES SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 36-1-3-4 provides a municipality all powers necessary to conduct its affairs, even if not expressly granted by statute;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code provides that a town may adopt an ordinance which establishes each elected office of the municipality shall be elected in an even-numbered year so long as the ordinance is adopted in the year immediately before a municipal election year;

WHEREAS, the Town of Dayton, Indiana, (hereinafter the “Town”) desires to adopt such an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Dayton, Indiana believes it is in the best interest of the Town to adopt an ordinance so that elected officials of the municipality shall be elected in even-numbered years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAYTON, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

§ _____ ELECTIONS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF DAYTON, INDIANA, SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS

- (A) The Town of Dayton, Indiana, shall have its election of Town officers in an even-numbered year pursuant to Indiana Code.
- (B) Members of the Town Council of the Town of Dayton, Indiana, (hereinafter the “Town Council members”) elected in November 2023 shall serve a three (3) year term. After 2023, the Town Council members shall next stand for election in 2026. The Town Council members elected in 2026 shall serve a four (4) year term, and each subsequent Town Council member elected thereafter shall serve a four (4) year term.
- (C) The Town Clerk-Treasurer elected in November 2023 shall serve a three (3) year term. After 2023, the Town Clerk-Treasurer shall next stand for election in 2026. The Town Clerk-Treasurer elected in 2026 shall serve a four (4) year term, and each subsequent Town Clerk-Treasurer elected thereafter shall serve a four (4) year term.
- (D) The elections for Town offices shall be held during general elections.

(E) The term of office for each Town office holder begins on January 1 after the election.

(F) This ordinance is effective upon its adoption.

Adopted _____, 2022.

**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
DAYTON, INDIANA**

President

Member

Member

Member

Member

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Alicia K. Albertson, Town Attorney