

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING ELECTION PROCEDURES TO PROVIDE FOR ELECTION BY A PLURALITY; SPECIFICALLY, TO AMEND CHAPTER 20 ARTICLE III SECTION 20-65 "DETERMINATION OF RESULTS.

FINDINGS: The current ordinance of the City of Liberty, South Carolina (the "City") requires a majority vote to obtain office as allowed under South Carolina Code § 5-15-63, sometimes resulting in the additional expense of a runoff election, and the City would save expense by changing to the general election method under South Carolina Code § 5-15-61.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Liberty, South Carolina, in a meeting duly assembled, that Section 20-65 of The Code of Ordinances of the City of Liberty, South Carolina, is hereby amended to read as follows:

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Sec. 20-65. - Determination of results.


~~(a) Election results shall be determined according to the nonpartisan plurality method described in S.C. Code 1976, § 5-15-61 5-15-63.~~

~~(b) A second election shall be conducted two weeks after the first election between one more than the number of candidates necessary to fill offices for which no candidate received a majority of the votes cast, and that election shall be between the candidates receiving the largest number of votes in the first election. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast in the second election shall be declared elected.~~

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its adoption.

APPROVED, this 11th day of June 2018.

1st reading: 5/14/18
2nd reading: 6/11/18


Brian Petersen, Mayor

I attest the following signature is valid and the above ordinance was adopted by City Council:


Shirley Hughes, City Clerk

Approved as to form and the assignment of the ordinance number.

Derek J. Enderlin, City Attorney