Order 2025-109-A for Charter Amendment:

ORDER

OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF LISBON, MAINE

July 15, 2025

Upon receipt of a duly certified citizens petition for a charter amendment, the Town Council hereby orders that the following question to consider a petitioned request for charter amendment, as summarized pursuant to 30-A M.R.S. § 2104(6), be placed on the ballot for a municipal referendum to be held on November 4, 2025:

"Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment summarized below?

- Article VI, Section 6.04(c) is repealed, removing current language authorizing the Town Council to adopt the Manager's proposed municipal budget and the School Committee's proposed school budget with or without amendment.

- Article VI, Section 6.04(d) is repealed, removing current language requiring the Town Council to take a final vote on the town budget on or before the last Thursday of June, and providing that if the Council fails to adopt a budget by that date, the budget as presented by the Town Manager is implemented on a month to month basis until such time as a final budget is adopted.

- Article VI, Section 6.04(c) is amended to add new provisions summarized as follows:

    - A validation referendum must be held on the municipal budget on the second Tuesday of June.

    - If the budget is defeated at a first referendum attempt, a second referendum is called. Interim spending continues at the same level as the previous year's budget until the second referendum can be held.

    - If the budget is defeated at the second referendum attempt, the Town Council shall adopt the prior fiscal year's municipal budget, reduced in total by 33%.

The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary in furtherance of this order and in accordance with state law and the Town of Lisbon Charter."

So ordered.

Order 2025-109-B for Charter Amendment:

ORDER

OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF LISBON, MAINE

July 22, 2025

Upon receipt and consideration of a duly certified citizens petition for a charter amendment, the Town Council hereby adopts the Findings of Fact that are incorporated into this order as Exhibit A, and orders that the following question, as summarized pursuant to 30-A M.R.S. § 2104(6), be placed on the ballot for a municipal referendum to be held on November 4, 2025:

"Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment summarized below?"

- "Article VI, Section 6.04(c) is repealed, removing current language authorizing the Town Council to adopt the Manager's proposed municipal budget and the School Committee's proposed school budget with or without amendment.

- "Article VI, Section 6.04(d) is repealed, removing current language requiring the Town Council to take a final vote on the town budget on or before the last Thursday of June, and providing that if the Council fails to adopt a budget by that date, the budget as presented by the Town Manager is implemented on a month to month basis until such time as a final budget is adopted.

- "Article VI, Section 6.04(c) is amended to add new provisions summarized as follows:

    - "A validation referendum must be held on the municipal budget on the second Tuesday of June.

    - "If the budget is defeated at a first referendum attempt, a second referendum is called. Interim spending continues at the same level as the previous year's budget until the second referendum can be held.

    - "If the budget is defeated at the second referendum attempt, the Town Council shall adopt the prior fiscal year's municipal budget, reduced in total by 33%."

The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file a report containing the text of this order and the written opinion of Attorney Kristin Collins, dated July 8, 2025, that the proposed amendment does not contain any provision prohibited by the general laws, the United States Constitution or the Constitution of Maine; and to take all actions necessary in furtherance of this order and in accordance with state law and the Town of Lisbon Charter.

So ordered.

Order 2025-109-C for Charter Revision:

ORDER

OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF LISBON, MAINE

July 22, 2025

Upon receipt and consideration of a duly certified citizens petition for a charter amendment, the Town Council hereby adopts the Findings of Fact that are incorporated into this order as Exhibit A, determines that the proposed charter amendment would constitute a revision of the charter and that the petition shall be treated as a request for a charter commission and shall follow the procedures applicable to such a request, the Town Council hereby orders, pursuant to 30-A M.R.S. §§ 2104(4), 2102(5), that the following question be placed on the ballot for a municipal referendum to be held on November 4, 2025:

> "Shall a Charter Commission be established for the purpose of revising the Municipal Charter?"

The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary in furtherance of this order and in accordance with state law and the Town of Lisbon Charter."

So ordered.