

ORDINANCE NO. 3127

***AN ORDINANCE TO PROPOSE THE AMENDMENT
AND RE-ENACTMENT OF ARTICLE III, SECTION 4
AND ARTICLE IV, SECTION 6(A) OF THE
THIBODAUX CITY CHARTER (ELECTIONS AND
CIVIL SERVICE DEPARTMENT)***

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Thibodaux in regular session assembled, that:

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 4 of the Thibodaux City Charter establishes the date on which persons elected, pursuant to the provisions of said Charter, take office; and

WHEREAS, due to a change in the dates of elections as set by the State, it is very possible that certified election results from our municipal elections may not be available prior to the second Monday in December after said elections; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 6(A) of the Thibodaux City Charter provides for the nomination of individuals to serve on the Thibodaux Civil Service Board; and

WHEREAS, it is more practical to have all nominating authorities be local to our area so as to be familiar with potential candidates; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 2(A) of the Thibodaux City Charter provides that the City Council may propose and amendment to, or the repeal of, the City Charter by the adoption of an Ordinance by an affirmative vote of at least four-fifths of its members.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that in accordance with the provisions Article IX, Section 2 (A) of the Thibodaux City Charter that the City Council of the City of Thibodaux does hereby propose the following Charter amendments to the qualified electors of the City of Thibodaux as follows:

AMENDMENT #1

Article III - Organization, Structure and Distribution of Powers and Functions

Section 4. - Elections

The next elections for Mayor and seats A, B, C, D and E on the Council shall be held at the same time as the open primary and general elections in the year 2002 pursuant to the election laws of the state. Elections for these offices shall be held in like manner every four years thereafter pursuant to the state election laws then in existence. Persons elected under the provisions of this Charter shall take office on the second Monday in January following their election.

AMENDMENT #2

Article IV – Civil Service Department

Section 6. - Nomination and Appointment of Civil Service Board Members

A. Upon the existence of a vacancy in any Board position, nomination to fill the vacant position for either a new term or the remaining term of the vacant position shall be made within sixty days as follows:

- (1) One member shall be nominated by the President of Nicholls State University;**
- (2) One member shall be nominated by the Thibodaux Chamber of Commerce;**
- (3) One member shall be nominated by the Lafourche Bar Association;**
- (4) One member shall be nominated by the Chancellor of Fletcher Community College; and**
- (5) One member shall be nominated by the Superintendent of the Lafourche Parish School District.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, Section 3 of the Thibodaux City Charter, that within 30 days of the adoption of this ordinance, the City Council shall call for an election to submit the proposed amendment to the qualified electors of the City of Thibodaux.

The above ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Tabor, Richard, Johnson, Naquin, Mire
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

And the above ordinance was declared adopted this 2nd day of March 2021.

/s/ Jennifer Morvant
Jennifer Morvant, Council Adm.

/s/ Chad J. Mire
Chad J. Mire, President