

ORDINANCE NO. 307

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.03 OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HAVANA PERTAINING TO ELECTION TO THE TOWN COUNCIL AND THE TERMS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERMS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS SHALL BE TWO (2) YEARS BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF MAY AFTER THEIR ELECTION, AND ALSO EXTENDING THE TERMS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS IN GROUPS 1, 2, AND 3 TO EXPIRE ON APRIL 30, 2003 RATHER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2002, AND EXTENDING THE TERMS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS IN GROUPS 4, 5, 6, AND 7 TO EXPIRE ON APRIL 30, 2004 RATHER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2003; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Havana is changing the election dates and qualifying periods for candidates to the Town Council so as to provide for regular Town elections to be held on the last Tuesday in April of each calendar year rather than the first Tuesday following the second Monday in November of each calendar year; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council must also provide for changes in terms of office necessitated by such changes in election dates as provided in Section 166.021(4), Florida Statutes, which allows changes in a municipal charter for such purpose without approval by referendum of the electors;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAVANA:

SECTION 1. That Section 2.03 of the Charter of the Town of Havana pertaining to Election and term is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 2.03. Election and term.

The election of the town council shall be as provided by this Charter, general and special law and ordinances of the town. The terms of the town council members shall be two (2) years beginning on the first day of May after their election. The terms of council members in Groups 1, 2, and 3 are extended to expire on April 30, 2003 rather than December 31, 2002, and the terms of council members in Groups 4, 5, 6, and 7 are extended to expire on April 30, 2004 rather than December 31, 2003."

SECTION 2. It is the intention of the Town and it is hereby

provided that the provisions of this ordinance shall be made a part of the Charter of the Town of Havana, Florida; that the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention; and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate designation.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

INTRODUCED in open session of the Town Council of the Town of Havana, Florida, on the 28th day of May, A.D. 2002.

PASSED in open session of the Town Council of the Town of Havana, Florida, on the 25th day of June, A.D. 2002.

K. J. Davis
Presiding Officer of the Town
Council of the Town of Havana,
Florida

ATTEST:

Karen W. Myrick
Clerk of the Town of Havana and
Clerk of the Town Council thereof