

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2002 SESSION

CHAPTER 117

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 6 and 7 of Chapter 634 of the Acts of Assembly of 1976, which provided a charter for the City of Poquoson, relating to elections.

[S 446]

Approved March 6, 2002

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 6 and 7 of Chapter 634 of the Acts of Assembly of 1976 are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 6. When mayor elected; term of mayor.

The city councilman at large (mayor) shall be elected at the municipal election on the first Tuesday in May, 1976. His term of office shall commence on the first day of September, 1976, and he or his successor shall hold office until June 30, 1980. Commencing with the calendar year 1980, the city councilman at large (mayor) shall be elected at the municipal election on the first Tuesday in May, 1980. His term of office shall commence on the first day of July, 1980, and he or his successor shall be elected each four years thereafter. *Commencing with the calendar year 2004, the city councilman at large (mayor) shall be elected at the municipal election held at the time of the November general election. His term of office shall commence on the first day of January, 2005, and he or his successor shall be elected each four years thereafter.*

§ 7. Election and term of councilmen from precincts.

The councilmen for the city council from each of the three precincts shall be elected at the municipal election on the first Tuesday in May, 1976. The two candidates from each precinct receiving the highest vote from the city at large shall be declared elected as city councilmen from their respective precincts. The candidate from each precinct receiving the highest number of votes shall take office the first day of September, 1976 and hold office until June 30, 1980. The candidate from each precinct receiving the second highest number of votes shall take office the first day of September, 1976 and hold office until June 30, 1978. However, the part of this section which relates to the term of office shall apply only to the municipal election of 1976, and thereafter, candidates for reelection or their successors shall serve for a term of four years, and the candidate from each precinct receiving the highest number of votes from the city at large shall be declared elected as city councilman from his respective precinct. *Commencing with the calendar year 2002, the municipal election shall be held at the time of the November general election. The term of office for the councilmen shall commence on the first day of January following the municipal election.*

2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.