

September 2009 Proposals

Barton Hills Village

1. Shall the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended so that the language throughout the Charter is gender neutral?

YES NO

2. Shall section 1.1 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to state that the Village boundaries shall be those as originally incorporated subject to any subsequent annexations and detachments and to provide that the Village Clerk shall keep available in the Clerk's office an official description of the Village's current boundaries?

YES NO

3. Shall section 3.3 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to eliminate the creation of a vacancy in the office of Village Trustee if a Trustee misses four consecutive Board of Trustees meetings or 25 percent of the meetings in a fiscal year?

YES NO

4. Shall section 3.5 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to reflect the applicability of the Open Meetings Act to the meetings of the Village Board of Trustees?

YES NO

5. Shall sections 3.2 and 4.3 of the Barton Hills Village charter be restated to reflect the requirements of current state law and Village Board of Trustees resolution of November 15, 2004, as amended on June 25, 2005, providing for the election of 9 Village Trustees for the staggered four year terms with four or five Trustees (depending on the number of terms expiring) being elected every two years at the Village election in September of each odd numbered year?

YES NO

6. Shall section 3.4 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to provide that the Village Board of Trustees, at its organization meeting held each September, shall elect from their number a Village President and a Village president pro tem and to delete the current provision for this election to take place in May of each year?

YES NO

7. Shall section 3.6 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to require the affirmative vote of at least 5 of the 9 Village Trustees to adopt an ordinance, make an appropriation or incur an obligation?

YES NO

8. Shall section 4.4 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to reflect the requirement of current state law that nominating petitions of candidates for office of Village Trustee shall be filed with the Village Clerk not later than 4:00 p.m. on the twelfth Tuesday before the September Village election?

YES NO

9. Shall section 4.5 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended by deleting the provision that permits the filing of an amended nominating petition by a candidate after the filing deadline for the office of Village Trustee if the Village Clerk finds that the candidate's petitions do not contain the required number of signatures?

YES NO

10. Shall section 4.5 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to reflect the requirement of current state law that a candidate for the office of Village Trustee may withdraw by filing a signed statement to that effect with the Village Clerk not later than 4:00 p.m. of the third day after the last day for filing the nominating petition?

YES NO

11. Shall section 4.8 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to reflect the state law provision for the County Board of Canvassers to canvass Village elections and to delete the section's provision specifying certain duties of a Village board of canvassers?

YES NO

12. Shall section 4.9 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to delete the provision for counting ballots by Village election inspectors, their reporting of the results to the Village Clerk, and the role of the Clerk in reviewing the election returns and notifying the prevailing candidates of their election and to provide instead that the Clerk shall perform all duties in connection with Village elections as are required by the Michigan election law?

YES NO

13. Shall section 5.1 of the Village Charter be amended to authorize the Clerk to appoint a Deputy Clerk?

YES NO

14. Shall section 5.2 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to reflect the state law requirement for a system of Village accounts of its receipts and expenditures that conforms to a uniform system of accounts required by law?

YES NO

15. Shall section 5.2 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to delete the requirement that the Village Treasurer obtain the approval of the Village President to make payments out of the Village treasury of appropriated funds?

YES NO

16. Shall section 6.6 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to authorize the Village Board of Trustees to provide penalties for ordinance violations of fines up to \$500 and/or imprisonment of up to 90 days, or such longer period as permitted by law up to 93 days?

YES NO

17. Shall sections 7.2 and 7.4 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to provide that the proposed

annual budget shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees in March (rather than April) and that the budget be adopted in May?

YES NO

18. Shall section 7.8 be added to the Barton Hill Village Charter to provide that, except for purchases of supplies and services as permitted by ordinance, all Village contracts must be approved by the Village Board of Trustees and signed by the Village President and Village Clerk?

YES NO

19. Shall section 8.9 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to provide that the Treasurer shall turn over to the county treasurer for collection all taxes that remain unpaid on March 1 of each year?

YES NO

20. Shall section 12.3 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be deleted? (This section which provides that the Village Board of Trustees shall serve as a Board of Health is no longer enforceable because that function has been assigned to other agencies by state law.)

YES NO

21. Shall section 12.9 of the Barton Hills Village Charter be amended to increase the fine for violation of provisions of the Village Charter from \$100 to \$500?

YES NO

22. Shall section 12.10 be added to the Barton Hills Village Charter to reflect the applicability of the Freedom of Information Act to records of the Village?

YES NO

23. Shall the Village Charter be amended by deleting Chapter 13 which contains only temporary provisions regarding the original incorporation of the Village?

YES NO