

Article 06: Charter Amendment 5:

Shall the Town of Salem approve Charter Amendment 5 relative to Article 7.3 Initiative Petitions clarifying the process of initiative petitions with budgetary impacts?

The amendment relates to Article 7.3 of the Town Charter by requiring any initiative petition which would require that the expenditure of Town funds cannot be passed, except at the annual Municipal Election, and only after being reviewed by the Budget Committee, so that they can provide a recommendation, and the tax impact of said petition be appropriately calculated.

Full Text of Proposed changes:

§ 7.3 Initiative Petitions

C. Budgetary Review: Any initiative petition which would require the expenditure of Town funds cannot be passed, except at the annual Municipal Election, and only after being reviewed by the Budget Committee, so that they can provide a recommendation, and the tax impact of said petition be appropriately calculated.