

Article 4: Charter Amendment 3

Shall the Town of Salem approve Charter Amendment 3 to amend Section 6.3.7 of the Charter to modify the language concerning the use of influence.

Summary: This amendment revises §6.3.7 to state that Elected and Appointed Officials (EAOs) cannot use their position or influence to obtain benefits, cause detriment, or impact decisions for themselves or others.

Recommendations: Town Council:

Budget Committee: N/A

Explanation: Matter added to current Charter appears in ***bold italics***.

Matter removed from current Charter appears [in brackets and struck through].

§6.3.7 [No EAO shall attempt to use or threaten to use personal or political influence to secure any benefit. “Personal influence” under this section shall mean any activity inconsistent with recognized practices allowed by the laws of the State of New Hampshire and the Town of Salem.] *Except as necessary to accomplish the work for which they are elected or appointed, no EAO shall use, or attempt or threaten to use (whether directly or indirectly) their position or influence as an EAO, to obtain any benefit for themselves or another, to cause any detriment to another, or otherwise impact the outcome of any decision. For purposes of this section, "another" means any person, business, or organization.*