

[Print](#)**Town Charter Revision Commission - Town Administration, Staff, Board/Commission Chairs - Submission #325****Date Submitted: 4/25/2024****First Name***

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The following questions are optional:**Are you a resident of Bloomfield?**

Yes
 No

Proposed Recommendation to the Town Charter

The Bloomfield Town Charter is available

at: https://library.municode.com/ct/bloomfield/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=CH**What section number of the Charter does your change affect?***

Section 201

Proposed Recommendation *

BOE and TPZ have 2-year terms and continue with Council having 2-year terms

Brief description of the issue addressed by the proposed change:*

Many elected officials are unknown quantities when they are first elected to office. I believe 2-year terms would enable the voters to make a change sooner rather than later

Impact of Proposed Change**What benefits will be realized by the citizens and/or government of Bloomfield?***

Elected officials who are performing well in the eyes of the citizens will continue to be re-elected. And those who are not, will not continue to underperform for more than 2 years

What potential impacts may be associated with the proposal change?*

I believe the elected officials will be more sensitive to the needs and desires of the electorate if they serve a 2-year term.

Can you provide data to assist in validating the impact of the proposed change?

I have asked that the voters be provided with information about other town charters of comparable size. That would enable us to see what has worked well before making changes

Describe any obstacles, costs, or cost savings associated with the proposed change, if any?

None