

ORDINANCE NO.

15-13  
Series of 2015

**TITLE: AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE INITIATING THE PROCEEDINGS TO  
ADOPT A HOME RULE CHARTER FOR THE TOWN OF HUDSON AND  
CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION FOR TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2015**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWN OF HUDSON,  
COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. Proceedings to adopt a home rule charter pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-2-201, *et seq.*, are hereby initiated by the adoption of this Ordinance pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-2-204(1)(b).

Section 2. There shall be a special election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015, to submit to the eligible electors of the Town of Hudson the question of whether to form a home rule charter commission, and, if the charter commission is so formed, to elect persons to serve on that charter commission to frame a home rule charter for the Town of Hudson. The election is called pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-2-204(2).

Section 3. The special election shall be conducted as a coordinated mail ballot election.

Section 4. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-2-206(1)(a), the Town shall elect nine (9) members to serve on the charter commission, and all eligible electors of the Town are eligible to serve on the committee. Candidates for the charter commission shall be nominated by filing a nomination petition with the Town Clerk, as required by C.R.S. § 32-2-204(3). Nomination petitions shall be filed with the Town Clerk within thirty (30) days after publication of the first election notice, as described in Section 5., below.

Section 5. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to first publish notice of the election not less than sixty (60) days prior to the election, or not later than September 2, 2015, as is required by C.R.S. § 31-2-204(2), and again as soon as possible after the filing of nomination petitions, which second publication shall include the names of the candidates for the charter commission, as is required by C.R.S. § 31-2-204(3).

Section 6. The following ballot question shall be submitted to the registered electors of the Town of Hudson at the special election of November 3, 2015:

**Question No. 1**

**SHALL THE TOWN OF HUDSON FORM A HOME RULE  
CHARTER COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
DRAFTING A HOME RULE CHARTER?**

YES \_\_\_

NO \_\_\_

Section 7. Safety Clause. The Town Board of Trustees hereby finds, determines, and declares that this ordinance is promulgated under the general police power of the Town of Hudson, that it is promulgated for the health, safety, and welfare of the public, and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of health and safety and for the protection of public convenience and welfare. The Board of Trustees further determines that the ordinance bears a rational relation to the proper legislative object sought to be attained.

Section 8. Emergency Clause. The Board of Trustees hereby finds, determines and declares that this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the Town of Hudson pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-15-106, and that the calling of a special election to coordinate with Weld County justifies passage of this ordinance as an emergency ordinance.

Section 9. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, or part of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction invalid, such judgment shall not affect application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 10. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect as an emergency measure immediately upon its adoption.

INTRODUCED, READ IN FULL, ADOPTED AS AN EMERGENCY AND ORDERED  
PUBLISHED ONCE IN FULL this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

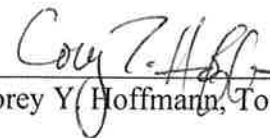
TOWN OF HUDSON, COLORADO

  
Raymond Patch, Mayor



  
Linnette Barker, CMC, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Corey Y. Hoffmann, Town Attorney