



# CITY OF SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

February 11, 2025, 5:30 PM  
Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street  
Sweet Home, OR 97386

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## Mission Statement

The City of Sweet Home will work to build an economically strong community with an efficient and effective local government that will provide infrastructure and essential services to the citizens we serve. As efficient stewards of the valuable assets available, we will be responsive to the community while planning and preparing for the future.

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## Meeting Information

The City of Sweet Home is streaming the meeting via the Microsoft Teams platform and asks the public to consider this option. There will be opportunity for public input via the live stream. To view the meeting live, visit <http://live.sweethomeor.gov>. If you do not have access to the internet, you can call in to 541-367-5128, choose option #1, and enter the meeting ID to be logged in to the call. Meeting ID: 249 013 741 37

This video stream and call in options are allowed under Council Rules, meet the requirements for Oregon Public Meeting Law, and have been approved by the Mayor and Chairperson of the meeting.

- I. **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**
- II. **Roll Call**
- III. **City Council Work Session – Charter Amendments**
  - a) [Proposed Charter Amendment](#)
- IV. **Adjournment**

City of Sweet Home Charter includes the following language that should be modified:

- Delete from Chapter II, Section 3: "At its first meeting of the new term after each biennial general election, the council shall elect from its membership a chairperson who shall be mayor for a term of two years."
  - Since the Charter provides for the 7 councilors to elect a mayor from among themselves who is also on the council, you will need to modify the language so that there are only 6 councilors and 1 mayor who make up the council (or expand the council to 8 councilors and 1 mayor or some other combination)
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Whereas the voters of Sweet Home should be able to choose their own mayor;

Whereas this charter amendment ensures that the mayor is elected by the voters instead of appointed by city council; therefore

The City of Sweet Home Charter, Chapter II, Section 3 is amended as follows, with new language in **bold** and deleted language [*bracketed in italics*]:

Section 3. Council and Mayor.

Except as otherwise provided in this charter, all powers of the city shall be vested in a council of seven members nominated and elected from the city at large.

At each biennial general election, [*four*] **three** councilors and a **mayor** shall be elected. The **councilors** [*three receiving the highest number of votes*] shall each hold office for four years, and the **mayor** [*one receiving the number of votes next to the three highest*] shall

hold office for two years. Tie votes shall be determined by lot.

[*At its first meeting of the new term after each biennial general election, the council shall elect from its membership a chairperson who shall be mayor for a term of two years.*]

The mayor and councilors in office at the time of adoption of this charter shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms, with powers and duties as provided in this charter.