

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2019

SESSION LAW 2020-38  
HOUSE BILL 477

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TERMS OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF BETHEL BEGINNING IN 2021.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Section 2 of Chapter 609 of the Session Laws of 1953, part of the Charter of the Town of Bethel, being Chapter 20 of the Private Laws of 1873-1874, as amended by Chapter 97 of the Private Laws of 1927, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 2. The Charter of the Town of Bethel is amended so as to provide that the officers of ~~said town~~ the Town shall consist of a mayor and five ~~commissioners who~~ commissioners. Beginning in 2021, regular municipal elections shall be held in the Town every four years and shall be conducted in accordance with the general laws governing municipal elections. In 2021, and quadrennially thereafter, a mayor and five commissioners shall hold office be elected for terms of two years four years, and each and shall serve until their successors are a successor is duly elected and qualified. On the first Monday in May, 1953, and biennially thereafter, there shall be held a general municipal election for the election of the mayor and commissioners of said town."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

s/ Philip E. Berger  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ David R. Lewis  
Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

