

GENERAL ELECTION

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NEZ PERCE COUNTY	STATE OF IDAHO	NOVEMBER 02, 2021
OFFICIAL BALLOT		
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER To vote, fill in the oval (●) next to the candidate/response of your choice. If you make a mistake, request a new ballot from an election worker.		
CITY OF LEWISTON QUESTION	CANDIDATES FOR LEWISTON CITY OFFICES	SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSITION ONE Shall the City of Lewiston retain its organization under the "council-manager plan"? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO A "yes" vote would maintain the City of Lewiston's current form of government in which the City Council appoints a city manager as the administrative head of the City government. A "no" vote would change the City of Lewiston's form of government to a mayor-council form of government in which an elected mayor is the chief administrative official of the City.	In the event the City of Lewiston reverts to a MAYOR-COUNCIL form of government MAYOR 4 Year Term Vote for One (1) <input type="radio"/> Wilson Boots <input type="radio"/> Dan Johnson <input type="radio"/> Robert Blakey In the event the City of Lewiston reverts to a MAYOR-COUNCIL form of government CITY COUNCIL Vote for Six (6) The three (3) candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected to serve four (4)-year terms, and the three (3) candidates receiving the next largest number of votes shall be declared elected to serve two (2)-year terms. <input type="radio"/> Ada Eldridge <input type="radio"/> Kasee Forsmann <input type="radio"/> Brandon Huffaker <input type="radio"/> Gabriel Iacoboni <input type="radio"/> Kevin Kelly <input type="radio"/> Jim Kleeburg <input type="radio"/> Hannah Liedkie <input type="radio"/> Heather A. Rogers <input type="radio"/> Kathy K. Schroeder <input type="radio"/> Rick Tousley <input type="radio"/> Susan Whitlow <input type="radio"/> Luke Blount	LEWISTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 SCHOOL DIRECTOR 6 Year Term Vote for Two (2) <input type="radio"/> Staci R. Baldwin <input type="radio"/> Christina Brando-Subis <input type="radio"/> Marcie D. Carter <input type="radio"/> Jon Lang <input type="radio"/> Cherie K. Wiik <input type="radio"/> Charles M. Stroschein
CANDIDATES FOR LEWISTON CITY OFFICES In the event the City of Lewiston retains its organization under the " COUNCIL-MANAGER PLAN " CITY COUNCIL 4 Year Term Vote for Four (4) <input type="radio"/> Luke Blount <input type="radio"/> Ada Eldridge <input type="radio"/> Kasee Forsmann <input type="radio"/> Brandon Huffaker <input type="radio"/> Gabriel Iacoboni <input type="radio"/> Jim Kleeburg <input type="radio"/> Hannah Liedkie <input type="radio"/> Heather A. Rogers <input type="radio"/> Kathy K. Schroeder <input type="radio"/> Rick Tousley <input type="radio"/> Susan Whitlow <input type="radio"/> Robert Blakey	OFFICIAL STAMP BOX	
NOTE: Names of candidates may appear in a different rotation on some ballots.		

COUNCIL-MANAGER

FORM OF GOVERNMENT



What is the council-manager form of government?

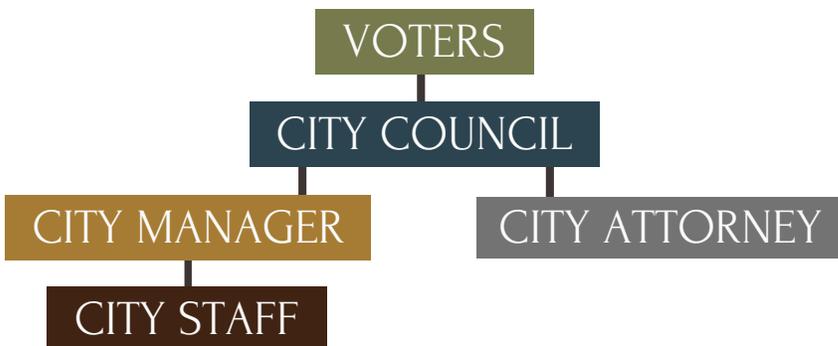
THIS IS THE CITY OF LEWISTON'S CURRENT FORM OF GOVERNMENT

The council-manager form of government is the most common structure of government in the United States.¹ Under this form of local government, residents elect a city council to adopt legislation and set policy. Anyone can run for council as long as they are at least 18 years of age, a United States citizen, a registered voter of the city, and lived in the city for at least 30 days prior to the election.² The City's current practice is for the City Council to decide who among them will serve as the mayor and who will serve as the mayor pro-tem, both serving in those roles for two years, to preside over city council meetings, administer ceremonial duties, and sign documents on behalf of the City.³ The City Council appoints a city manager with an extensive background in public administration to manage the City's day-to-day operations. The city manager is an employee who answers directly to the City Council and can be terminated by a majority vote of the City Council.⁴

The City Manager's Responsibilities⁴

- Carrying out policies established by the City Council
- Preparing a budget for the City Council's consideration
- Hiring, supervising, and terminating City Staff⁵
- Serving as the City Council's chief advisor by providing information about local operations, discussing options, offering an assessment of the long-term consequences of decisions, and making policy recommendations

Structure of Hierarchy



Compensation

The salary and benefit information below is current as of the publication date of this document.

MAYOR⁶

- \$1,000 Monthly Stipend
- No Benefits

COUNCIL MEMBERS⁶

- \$700 Monthly Stipend
- No Benefits

CITY MANAGER⁷

- \$154,400 Salary
- In addition to standard employee benefits, additional benefits may be negotiated.

MAYOR-COUNCIL

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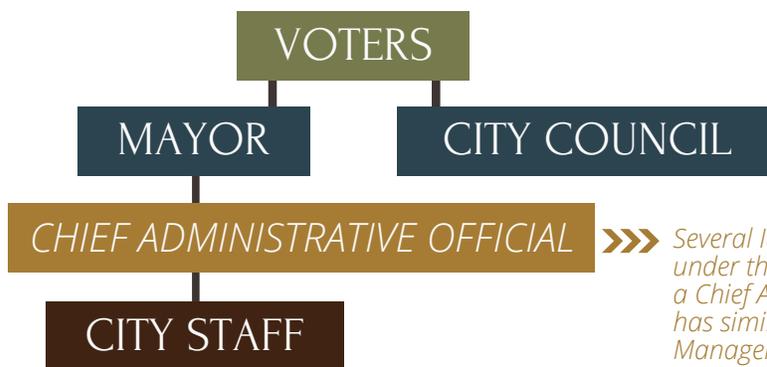
THIS IS THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT BEING PROPOSED FOR THE CITY OF LEWISTON

The mayor-council form of government is the second most common structure of government in the United States.¹ Under this form of local government, the mayor is elected by the public separately from the city council members. The city council members vote to adopt legislation and set policy, while the mayor only votes to break a tie. Anyone can run for mayor as long as they are at least 18 years of age, a United States citizen, a registered voter of the city, and lived in the city for at least 30 days prior to the election.⁸ The Mayor is an elected official who can only be removed from office by either: 1) not being reelected, or 2) through a recall election. Recall elections are subject to a number of legal requirements.⁹

The Mayor's Responsibilities¹⁰

- Administering oaths and signing all contracts and conveyances in the name of and on behalf of the city
- Overseeing day-to-day operations of the city, preserving order, and enforcing ordinances set by the City Council
- Presiding over city council meetings, calling special meetings of the council, and determining the order of business for meetings
- Hiring, supervising, and terminating city staff¹¹
- Serving as a voting member only to break a tie of the City Council as necessary

Structure of Hierarchy



»»» Several Idaho cities that operate under this form of government hire a Chief Administrative Official who has similar qualifications as a City Manager to advise and assist the Mayor with day-to-day operations.

Compensation

The Mayor's salary and benefit information and the council members' monthly stipend amount below is pursuant to Ordinance No. 4821, which was adopted by the Council on July 12, 2021.

MAYOR

- \$80,000 Salary
- Optional Benefits

COUNCIL MEMBERS

- \$700 Monthly Stipend
- No Benefits

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIAL

- A Chief Administrative Official is a full-time employee with a salary ranging from \$57,179 to \$167,044, with benefits.¹²

REFERENCES

[1] National League of Cities, Cities 101 - Forms of Municipal Government, website: <https://www.nlc.org/resource/forms-of-municipal-gov>

[2] I.C. § 50-702; see also I.C. § 50-402(c) (defining "qualified elector").

[3] See I.C. § 50-809 (providing that, under a Council-Manager form of government, the mayor may either be: (1) designated by the city council; or (2) directly elected by the voters, if a city ordinance so provides); I.C. § 50-810 (setting forth the powers of a mayor under a Council-Manager form of government).

[4] I.C. § 50-811.

[5] Lew. City Code § 2-42(a)(5) (setting forth the duty of the city manager to "appoint or remove all department heads, except the city attorney, subject to approval of the council, supervise and control all employees of the city subject to any applicable personnel regulations and make regular reports to the council concerning actions he has taken with respect to employees of the city"); see also I.C. § 50-811(5) (providing that the city manager shall appoint all department heads). The following positions are appointed and removed by the City Manager, subject to confirmation by the City Council: all City department directors, the City Clerk, and the City Treasurer and Finance Director. Lew. City Code §§ 2-42(a)(5), -52, -64. The City Attorney is appointed and removed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the City Council. I.C. §§ 50-204, -206. The Library Director is appointed and removed by the Library Board of Trustees. I.C. §§ 33-2607(8), -2608(1). Library employees are hired by the Library Director, but are subject to discharge by the City Manager. All other City employees are hired by the City Manager upon recommendation by department directors and may be discharged by the City Manager.

[6] Lew. City Code § 2-34.

[7] The City Manager's salary is set through contractual negotiations.

[8] I.C. § 50-601; see also I.C. § 50-402(c) (defining "qualified elector").

[9] Idaho Code Title 34, Chapter 17 sets forth the legal requirements pertaining to recall elections. A petition to recall an elected official may not be circulated until the elected official has actually held office for at least 90 days. I.C. § 34-1713(1). A recall petition must be signed by registered electors of the City equal to 20% of the number of electors registered to vote at the last general City election. I.C. § 34-1702(4). A petitioner must obtain the required number of signatures within 75 days of the County Clerk's approval of the petition form, I.C. § 34-1704(2); otherwise, a new petition cannot be circulated against the same elected official for at least 90 days, I.C. § 34-1707(4). Once the County Clerk verifies that the petitioner obtained the required number of signatures, the elected official has five business days to resign from office. I.C. § 34-1707(3)(a). If the elected official does not resign, the County Clerk will order a special recall election, I.C. § 34-1707(3)(b), which election may only be held on one of four specific dates each year, I.C. §§ 34-1707(3)(b), -106(1). In order to recall an elected official: (1) a majority of the votes cast at the special recall election must be in favor of the recall, and (2) the number of votes cast in favor of the recall must equal or exceed the votes cast at the last general election for that official. I.C. § 34-1712(3). If a recall election is unsuccessful, then no further recall petition may be filed against the same elected official during his or her current term unless the petitioner first pays the entire amount of the expenses for the preceding recall election. I.C. § 34-1713(2). Additionally, the specific reason for the subsequent recall petition must be different from the specific reason for the prior recall petition. I.C. 34-1713(2).

[10] See I.C. §§ 50-604 (Special Meetings of Council), -605 (Account and Reports of Officers), -606 (Police Powers of Mayor), -607 (General Powers), -609 (Mayor May Require Aid in Enforcing Law), -611 (Veto Power).

[11] The City Clerk, City Treasurer, and City Attorney are appointed and removed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the City Council; provided that the City Council may remove any appointed officer by a unanimous vote. I.C. §§ 50-204, -206. The Library Director is appointed and removed by the Library Board of Trustees. I.C. §§ 33-2607(8), -2608(1). Library employees are hired by the Library Director. I.C. § 33-2608(2). All other City employees are hired and discharged by the Mayor.

[12] See PDF titled "Salary Information - 2021," which is available at www.cityoflewiston.org/FormsOfGovernment. This information was compiled in April 2021 by the City Attorney's Office.

LOCAL ELECTION INFORMATION: The Nez Perce County Clerk/Auditor's Office manages all elections within Nez Perce County.
To learn more about the November 2, 2021 Election, please go to: www.co.nezperce.id.us