

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** Study Commission

**FROM:** Caeleb Heinen, Recording Secretary  
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Becky Franks, Study Commissioner Vice Chair

**SUBJECT:** Review of Draft Bozeman Charter

**MEETING DATE:** May 20, 2026

**AGENDA ITEM TYPE:** Citizen Advisory Board/Commission

**RECOMMENDATION:** Study Commissioners Franks and Cestero have taken the decisions made by the Study Commissioners and synthesized them into a potential draft Bozeman Charter. This draft charter is in front of the Study Commission for review and discussion.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** 1.1 Outreach: Continue to strengthen and innovate in how we deliver information to the community and our partners.

**BACKGROUND:** The Study Commission has spent their previous meetings and time crafting and discussing changes to the Bozeman City Charter. In this process they have created this Amended Bozeman Charter for deliberation and edits.

As the Study Commission has edited the articles of the Bozeman Charter, they have tracked their changes. The "worksheets" with the history of changes through the process are available along with the 2006 Approved Charter and the 2026 Proposed Amended Charter Draft, at [bozemanstudy.com](http://bozemanstudy.com).

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** None identified

**ALTERNATIVES:** As per the Study Commission

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** None identified

Attachments:

[2026 AMENDED Bozeman Charter clean copy.pdf](#)

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