

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** Study Commission

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

**SUBJECT:** Review and discussion on proposed changes to the Bozeman Charter Article IV and VII

**MEETING DATE:** April 30, 2026

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

**RECOMMENDATION:** As per the Bozeman City Study Commission

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

**BACKGROUND:** This is part of an ongoing goal to update the Bozeman Charter on Public Engagement.  
After the April 24 meeting, the Study Commissioners discussed the proposed changes to the Bozeman Charter by Commissioners Franks and Cestero. There will be more time to review the changes and discuss these articles. Blue text indicates new language since the April 24 meeting. The Study Commissioners will be making edits throughout this process.

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** None identified

**ALTERNATIVES:** As per the Study Commission

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** None identified

Attachments:

[Article IV DRAFT Suggested Edits.pdf](#)

[Article VII DRAFT Suggested Edits.pdf](#)

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