

Pawnee Nation Governing Documents Committee

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The Pawnee Nation Governing Documents Committee (Committee) is engaging the Pawnee Nation community in a comment period for the revisions proposed for the Constitution of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. On December 21, 2020, the Committee met and proposes the following revisions.

CURRENT:

ARTICLE VII-FORFEITURE, RECALL, REMOVAL

Section 2. Recall – Upon receipt of a petition signed by **twenty five per cent (25%)** of the number of voters who voted in the last regular election call for the recall of any member of the Pawnee Business Council, it shall be the duty of the election commission to call and conduct within thirty (30) days an election on such recall. Recall shall be effective only if a majority of those voting shall vote in favor of such recall and that at least 50 per cent (50%) + one (1) of the number voting in the previous election vote in the recall election. Once a member has faced a recall attempt, no further recall action shall be brought against that member until at least twelve (12) months have passed. No member of the Pawnee Business Council shall be subject to recall action within the first six (6) months of that member's term.

PROPOSED REVISIONS (RED-LINED):

ARTICLE VII-FORFEITURE, RECALL, SUSPENSION, REMOVAL

Section 2. Recall – Upon receipt of a petition by the Pawnee Nation Election Commission and as verified by the Enrollment Department that signed by ~~twenty~~thirty **five per cent (235%)** of the number of voters who voted in the last regular election signed the petition and a filing fee not to exceed of fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the last regular election-\$4,000. call for the recall of any member of the Pawnee Business Council, it shall be the duty of the election commission to call and hold a recall election ~~conduct~~ within sixty (60) business days but not before thirty (30) business days ~~an election on such recall~~. Recall shall be effective only if a majority of those voting shall vote in favor of such recall and that at least 50 per-cent (50%) + one (1) of the number voting in the previous election vote in the recall election. Once a member has faced a recall attempt, no further recall action shall be brought against that member until at least twelve (12) consecutive months have passed. No member of the Pawnee Business Council shall be subject to recall action within the first sixtwelve (612) months of that member's term.

PROPOSED REVISIONS:

ARTICLE VII-FORFEITURE, RECALL, SUSPENSION, REMOVAL

Section 2. Recall – Upon receipt of a petition by the Pawnee Nation Election Commission and as verified by the Enrollment Department that **thirty-five percent (35%)** of the number of voters who voted in the last regular election signed the petition and a filing fee not to exceed fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the last regular election, call for the recall of any member of the Pawnee Business Council, it shall be the duty of the election commission to call and hold a recall election within sixty (60) business days

but not before thirty (30) business days. Recall shall be effective only if a majority of those voting shall vote in favor of such recall and that at least 50 percent (50%) + one (1) of the number voting in the previous election vote in the recall election. Once a member has faced a recall attempt, no further recall action shall be brought against that member until at least twelve (12) consecutive months have passed. No member of the Pawnee Business Council shall be subject to recall action within the first twelve (12) months of that member's term.

A Public hearing will be held on Monday December 28, 2020. Pawnee Tribal Members should provide written comments on the proposed revisions to the Committee. Submit comments by mail to Pawnee Nation Governing Documents Committee, PO Box 470, Pawnee, OK 74058 or via email at cb0081@pawneenation.org by December 31, 2020 by 5 pm.