

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

City of Eagle River

November 3, 2026

Referendum Election Details

At an election to be held in the City of Eagle River on November 3, 2026, the following referendum question will be submitted to a vote of the electors of the City pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 9.20.

PROPOSED CHARTER ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TERM LIMITS FOR THE OFFICES OF MAYOR AND ALDERPERSON:

The common council of the city of Eagle River does ordain as follows:

That the Municipal Code of the City of Eagle River, Wisconsin is amended by adding a section to be numbered **2-105**, a charter ordinance, which section reads as follows:

Sec. 2-105 Term limits.

- (a) No person shall serve more than four consecutive two-year terms as alderperson. After serving for four consecutive two-year terms, the person is not eligible to be elected or appointed alderperson for a period of six years.
- (b) No person shall serve more than four consecutive two-year terms as mayor. After serving for four consecutive two-year terms, the person is not eligible to be elected or appointed mayor for a period of six years.
- (c) No person shall be eligible for election or appointment as mayor for the term immediately following that person's fourth consecutive term as alderperson. Likewise, no person shall be eligible for election or appointment as alderperson for the term immediately following that person's fourth consecutive term as mayor.
- (d) Alderperson and mayoral terms served either prior to enactment of this ordinance or after enactment shall count for purposes of applying this ordinance. This ordinance applies in full to persons who have served four or more than four consecutive terms in their respective offices.

Ballot Text:

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

Shall the City of Eagle River adopt a charter ordinance creating Section 2-105 of the Eagle River Municipal Code to establish term limits for the offices of Mayor and Alderperson by:

- 1. Limiting service as Mayor or Alderperson to four consecutive two-year terms;
- 2. Requiring a six-year period before a person who has served four consecutive terms may again serve in the same office;
- 3. Prohibiting a person who has served four consecutive terms as Mayor from immediately serving as an Alderperson, and prohibiting a person who has served four consecutive terms as an Alderperson from immediately serving as Mayor; and
- 4. Counting terms served both before and after enactment of the ordinance when applying these term limits

☐ YES

☐ NO

Explanation:

Under a "yes" vote, this proposed charter ordinance would establish term limits for the elected offices of Mayor and Alderperson. Under the ordinance, no person could serve more than four consecutive two-year terms in either office. A person who has served four consecutive terms would be required to wait six years before again serving in the same office and could not immediately switch between the offices of Mayor and Alderperson after reaching the term limit. Terms served before and after the ordinance's enactment would be counted when determining eligibility.

Under a 'no' vote, the charter ordinance would not be adopted and term limits would not be imposed on the offices of Mayor and Alderperson.

Dated this 28 day of October 2026.


City Clerk
City of Eagle River, Wisconsin