

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF YORK)
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TOWN OF CLOVER)

ORDINANCE 19-05

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, SECTION 32.07 OF THE TOWN OF CLOVER, SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE THAT NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBERS AND MAYOR SHALL BE SWORN IN AND TAKE OFFICE AT THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY FOLLOWING THE GENERAL ELECTION IN WHICH THEY ARE ELECTED, AND TO CHANGE THE REFERENCE IN SAID SECTION FROM “OFFICERS’ TO “MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS”

WHEREAS, the Clover Town Council is considering adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 32, Section 32.01 (F) of the Town of Clover, South Carolina Code of Ordinances to extend the terms of office of the Mayor and Councilmembers from two-year terms to four-year staggered terms, with the terms of office to commence in the month of January following the general election, and

WHEREAS, Clover Town Council finds that adoption of the said amendment to Section 32.01 (F) of the Town Code of Ordinances would render it necessary to amend the Town Code of Ordinances, Section 32.07 Time of Taking and Leaving Office, to be consistent with said amendment to Section 32.01 (F), so as to provide that the newly elected Mayor and Councilmembers shall take office in the month of January following their election.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED in Council duly assembled this ____ day of _____, 2019, that Section 32.07, Time of Taking and Leaving Office, of the Town of Clover, South Carolina, Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended so that after amendment Section 32.07 shall read as follows:

Section 32.07 TIME OF TAKING AND LEAVING OFFICE.

The newly elected Mayor and six Council members shall not be qualified pursuant to S.C. Code Section 5-15-120 until at least 48 hours after the closing of the polls, and shall be sworn in and take office at the first regularly scheduled meeting in January following the November general election in which they are elected to office. The Mayor and Council members shall serve until newly elected Mayor and Councilmembers for the following term shall take office. Council members elected at special election shall not be qualified pursuant to S.C. Code Section 5-15-120 until at least 48 hours after the closing of the polls, and shall be sworn in and assume office at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

Effective Date. This ordinance is effective immediately upon adoption.

Severability. If any part of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, it shall be construed to have been the legislative intent to pass said Ordinance without such invalid or unconstitutional provision, and the remainder of said Ordinance shall be deemed to be valid as if such portion had not been included. If said Ordinance, or any provisions thereof, is held to be inapplicable to any person, group of persons, property, kind of property, circumstances or set of circumstances, such holding shall not affect the applicability thereof to any other persons, property or circumstances.

AND IT IS SO ORDAINED.

Mayor
Council:

(Town Seal)

Attest:

Town Clerk

First Reading: _____

Second Reading: _____

