

ORDINANCE 90-A49
INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, ARIZONA PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF EXERCISING THE POWER OF THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.

Section 1. Power Reserved; Time of Election

There is reserved to the qualified electors of the Town the power of the initiative and the referendum as prescribed by the Arizona Constitution. Any initiative or referendum matter shall be voted on at the next ensuing primary or general election.

Section 2. Number of Signatures

- A. The total number of registered voters qualified to vote at the last municipal election, whether regular or special, immediately preceding the date upon which any initiative petition is filed shall be the basis upon which the number of qualified electors of the town required to file an initiative petition shall be computed. Under the Arizona Constitution fifteen percent (15%) of such qualified electors must sign.
- B. The basis upon which the number of qualified electors of the town required to file a referendum petition shall be ten percent (10%) of the votes cast at the last election of the any Council members.

Section 3. Time of Filing

- A. Initiative petitions shall be filed at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the election at which they are to be voted upon.
- B. Referendum petitions shall be filed within thirty (30) days of the adoption of the ordinance or resolution to be referred. If the Town Clerk is unable to provide petitioners with a copy of the ordinance or resolution at the time of application for an official number or on the same business day of the application, the thirty-day period shall be calculated from the date such ordinance or resolution is available.

Section 4. Sample Ballots and Publicity Pamphlets

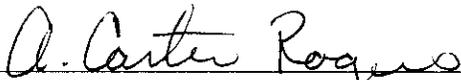
The following procedures relating to sample ballots and publicity pamphlets are hereby adopted for conducting elections at which an initiative or referendum is to be voted upon:

- A. A publicity pamphlet, containing the entire text of the official ballot, shall be mailed by the Town Clerk to each household within the town in which a registered voter resided, not less than eight days prior to the election to which the sample ballot pertains.
- B. The pamphlet shall contain the proposition as it will appear on the ballot together with a summary of each proposition. Each summary shall be followed by any arguments supporting the proposition followed by any arguments opposing the proposition.
- C. Arguments supporting and opposing propositions appearing on the ballot shall be filed with the office of the Town Clerk by 5:00 p.m. not less than thirty days prior to the election at which the propositions are to be voted upon. Arguments supporting or opposing propositions appearing on the ballot shall meet the following requirements, unless further amended by State Law:
 - 1. Arguments must relate to the propositions proposed by initiative or referred by referendum which will appear on the ballot.
 - 2. Arguments must identify the proposition to which they refer and indicate whether the argument is in support of or opposition to the proposition.
 - 3. Arguments may not exceed three hundred words in length.
 - 4. Arguments must signed by the person submitting them. Arguments submitted by organizations shall be signed on behalf of the organization by an officer of the organization authorized to take such action. All persons signing documents shall indicate their residence or post office address.
 - 5. No person or organization shall submit more than one argument for each proposition to be voted upon.
 - 6. Each argument shall be accompanied by a monetary deposit to offset proportional costs of printing. Any balance remaining of the deposit, after paying the costs, shall be returned to the depositor.

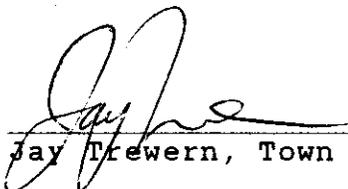
Section 5. Emergency Clause.

Whereas, it is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health and safety of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, and emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall become immediately operative and in force from and after the date of posting hereof.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of Camp Verde, Arizona this 19th day of December, 1990

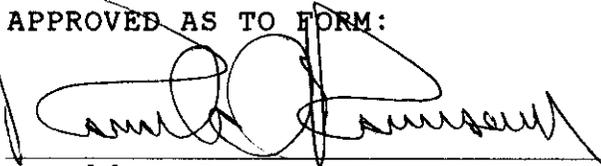

A. Carter Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jay Trewern, Town Clerk

POSTED: Camp Verde Town Hall Bulletin Board on December 20, 1990
at 9:45 a.m., by Jay Trewern Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Ronald C. Ramsey, Town Attorney

