

12-1036a. Adoption of mayor-council-city manager plan; petition; election; selection of mayor and councilmen. Any city of the first class may adopt the mayor-council-city manager form of government in the manner herein provided and shall thereafter be governed by the provisions of this act. A proposition to adopt such form of government must first be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of such city in the manner provided by K.S.A. 12-184.

Any petition for the submission of a proposition hereunder shall be headed "Petition for a special election of the city of _____, Kansas, to vote on the adoption of the mayor-council-city manager form of government".

The form of the ballots to be used at the election shall be as follows:

"Shall the city of (name of city) adopt the mayor-council-city manager form of government and become a city operating under the general laws governing cities of like class?"

Yes No

If a majority of the votes cast upon said proposition shall be in favor of adopting the mayor-council-city manager plan of government, then at the next regular city election the mayor and councilmen hereinafter provided for as constituting the governing body of the city shall be elected as provided herein; and upon their election and qualification the rights, powers and duties of the commissioners or mayor and councilmen of such city shall cease and terminate.

Except as herein otherwise provided, the nomination and election of the mayor and councilmen of said governing body shall be governed by election laws then applicable to city primary and general elections. Candidates for councilman from a district shall be residents of the district for which they seek election and qualified voters signing a petition for the candidacy of a councilman for a district shall be residents of such district. Only the qualified voters of a district shall vote upon the office of councilman from that district.

History: L. 1961, ch. 101, § 1; L. 1976, ch. 76, § 9; July 1.