

Chapter 2.20

MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL

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2.20.010 Election and Tenure.

The electors of the City of Encinitas shall elect one Mayor and four Council Members pursuant to Sections 2.20.080 and 2.20.090. General municipal elections are held every two years in even-numbered years. The general municipal election shall be consolidated with the statewide general election. The Mayor and City Council Members will be installed the second Tuesday of December in even-numbered years. (Ord. 2014-05; Ord. 2017-15)

2.20.011 Temporarily Designating One Council Seat to a Two-Year Term to Evenly Stagger the Election of Council Members Due to the Establishment of an Elected Mayor.

For the 2016 general municipal election only, the candidate elected who received the least votes shall serve a two-year term, and in the event of a tie for second place, the two-year term seat shall be decided by lot. (Ord. 2014-05)

2.20.015 City Council.

- A. City Council Members are elected to serve a term of four years. After 2016 (see Section 2.20.011 of this chapter), Council Members' terms shall be evenly staggered with two Council Members' terms expiring in each even-numbered year.
- B. The City Council shall be the legislative body with the exclusive and original jurisdiction to interpret and govern all matters described and/or set forth within City ordinances, resolutions, codes, and other regulatory directives adopted previously by the Council by reference or currently applicable to any activity, event, request, forbearance and/or issue raised of any nature within the boundary of the City.