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### **31-4-301.** Mayor - board of trustees - election - compensation.

(1) The legislative and corporate authority of towns shall be vested in a board of trustees, consisting of one mayor and six trustees, who shall be registered electors who have resided within the limits of the town for a period of at least twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the date of the election; except that, in case of annexation, any person who has resided within the annexed territory for the time prescribed in this subsection (1) shall be deemed to have met the residence requirements for the town to which the territory was annexed.

(2) At the regular election, there shall be elected a mayor for a term of two years and six trustees for terms of two years. Such election shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the "Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965".

(3) All officers elected under this section shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and have complied with section 31-4-401, and four members of said board of trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

(4) The mayor and members of the board of trustees shall receive such compensation as fixed by ordinance.

(5) The board of trustees may provide by ordinance for four-year overlapping terms of office for trustees. The ordinance may also provide for four-year terms for the mayor and any officers elected pursuant to section 31-4-304. The board of trustees may reinstate the two-year terms provided for in subsection (2) of this section by ordinance. Any ordinance passed pursuant to this subsection (5) shall be enacted at least one hundred eighty days before the next regular election and is subject, notwithstanding an emergency declaration, to referendum if the referendum is brought pursuant to section 31-11-105 or pursuant to an applicable municipal ordinance enacted in accordance with section 1 of article V of the state constitution. No ordinance enacted pursuant to this subsection (5) shall extend or reduce the term for which any person was elected. If any vacancy occurs in an office for which a four-year term is in effect pursuant to this subsection (5), the board of trustees shall fill such vacancy, as provided in section 31-4-303. If the office in which the vacancy occurs is not an office for which a successor would otherwise have been elected at the next regular election, the term of office of the successor elected at that regular election shall be shortened so that the following regular election for the office is held at the time at which it would have been held if no vacancy had occurred.

### History

**Source:**L. 75:Entire title R&RE, p. 1033, § 1, effective July 1.L. 77:(3) amended, p. 286, § 58, effective June 29.L. 79:(5) amended, p. 1174, § 8, effective July 1.L. 83:(1), (3), and (5) amended, p. 1257, § 10, effective July 1.L. 93:(5) amended, p. 699, § 7, effective May 4.L. 95:(5) amended, p. 441, § 28, effective May 8.

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## Research References & Practice Aids

### Hierarchy Notes:

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## State Notes

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## Notes

### Editor's note:

This section is similar to former § 31-3-301 as it existed prior to 1975.

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## ANNOTATION

### Applied

in *City of Denver v. Webber*, 15 Colo. App. 511, 63 P. 804 (1900); *Goerke v. Bd. of Trustees*, 89 Colo. 510, 4 P.2d 909 (1931).

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## Research References & Practice Aids

### Cross references:

For the "Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965", see article 10 of this title.

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