

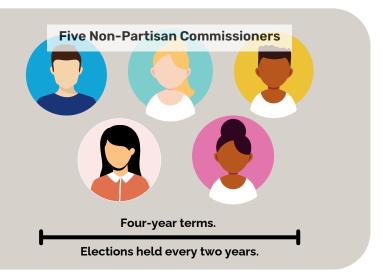
Proposed Government Restructure

Lawrence residents will vote on whether to modify the City's form of government. The question on ballots will be:

Shall the City of Lawrence, Kansas, abandon the Commission-Manager form of government and adopt a Modified Mayor-Council Manager form of government and become a city operating under a Modified Mayor-Council Manager form of government?

COMMISSION-MANAGER GOVERNMENT (Current government in Lawrence)

The City of Lawrence has five Commissioners who are elected at-large on a non-partisan basis for four-year terms. Elections are held every two years. The five commissioners vote on who will be the Mayor and Vice Mayor for the following year.



MAYOR-COUNCIL-MANAGER GOVERNMENT (Proposed government up for vote in November)

The City of Lawrence would have a directly elected, nonpartisan Mayor who would serve a four-year term. The Mayor would only vote if they are breaking a tie among the other council members.

The governing body would also have six non-partisan council members. Four council members would represent specific districts*. Two would represent the city at-large. All six council members would serve four-year terms, with three council seats are up for election every two years

Lawrence would continue to have a City Manager who provides complex administrative support to the City Commission and oversees the day-to-day operations of the city.

*City Commission districts would be determined after the election.

Six Non-Partisan Council Members Conncil members Four-year terms. Elections held every two years.





WHAT'S NEXT?

The issue is up for vote in the election happening Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Your vote counts – make your voice heard!