## CITY OF HOLBROOK

# PUBLICITY PAMPHLET AND TEXT OF BALLOT

Proposal to be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Holbrook at the

### **SPECIAL ELECTION**

November 4, 2025

Compiled and issued by City of Holbrook To the voters of the City of Holbrook:

The purpose of this publicity pamphlet is to provide you with information on the questions which will appear on the November 4, 2025, Election Ballot. State law requires preparation of this pamphlet.

In compliance with Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 19-123. A., included herein is "A true copy of the titles and text of the measure or proposed amendment", such text indicating material deleted, if any, by printing such material with a line drawn through the center of the letters of such material, and indicates material added or new material by printing the letters of such material in capital letters, and the form in which the measure or proposed amendment will appear on the ballot.

I urge you to carefully read the questions contained within this pamphlet and the effect a "yes" or "no" vote will have so that you will be prepared to fully exercise your right to vote on November 4, 2025.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hunt CMC, City Clerk

### **ELECTION PROCESS**

The City of Holbrook will be holding a **Vote By Mail** Special Election on **November 4, 2025,** to submit Proposition Numbers 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, and 447 for your approval or rejection. For this election, you will not go to a polling place to cast your vote. Instead, your official City of Holbrook Special Election ballot will be mailed to you between October 8 and October 24, 2025. Simply vote your ballot, place the ballot in the envelope provided, sign the envelope and drop it in the mail – the return postage will be paid for you. Ballots can also be dropped off at the City Clerk's Office located at 465 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue or at the drive-up ballot box located at 121 W. Buffalo Street or the Navajo County Recorder's office located at 100 E. Code Talkers Dr. \*\*

The purpose of this informational pamphlet is to provide you with pertinent information on the ballot measure appearing on **November 4, 2025**, Special Election ballot. It contains important voting information, ballot format, official title, descriptive title and the effect of a "yes" or a "no" vote, the complete text of the measure and the arguments for and against Proposition.

The City has also prepared and included herein an analysis of the effect of the passage of the proposed amendment. Following the analysis, you will find the arguments advocating and opposing the proposed amendments with the name of the person or organization submitting the argument.

# For this election, the City of Holbrook voters may vote at any one of the following locations:

Navajo County Elections Office – 100 E. Code Talkers Dr. Monday – Friday 8am to 5pm On election day from 6am to 7pm

City of Holbrook office – 465 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. Monday – Thursday 8am to 5pm On election day from 6am to 7pm

# <u>For more information on your registration or on your ballot call the Recorders office at 928-524-4192.</u>

\*\*Navajo County is pleased to announce a Ballot Tracking system. Voters will be able to sign up at <a href="https://my.arizona.vote/AbsenteeTracker.aspx">https://my.arizona.vote/AbsenteeTracker.aspx</a> and get updates on where their ballot is via text message, email or a phone call from the system. For more information, please call Navajo County Election at 928-524-4062.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

#### A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

ARTICLE I. INCORPORATION, FORM OF GOVERNMENT, POWERS OF THE CITY AND BOUNDARIES

Section 1.03. Powers of the City

- (j) Requirements for New Development. The City may require—all ANY persons, firms, or corporations responsible for new physical development within the City to provide or furnish, or pay a fee THEREOF in lieu of providing or furnishing, the following FOR THE FOLLOWING IMPROVEMENTS OR FACILITIES:
- 1) Public utility easements
- 2) Water production, storage, and transmission
- 3) Sewer collection, treatment, and disposal
- 4) Park land and development
- 5) School sites
- 6) Dedication and improvement of public rights of way
- 7) Bike paths and other necessary transportation
- 8) Drainage
- 9) Flood control
- 10) ANY Oother public IMPROVEMENT OR FACILITY facilities necessary to maintain satisfactory levels of service for said new development, as provided by ordinance which shall include definite standards basing the foregoing requirements on the needs of the inhabitants of said new development and of the City as a whole.

THE POWERS SET FORTH IN SECTION 1.03 ARE NOT EXCLUSIVE. THE CITY MAY EXERCISE ALL POWERS CONFERRED BY THIS CHARTER, THE CITY CODE, OR AS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW.

# Sample Ballot

OFFICIAL TITLE: Amending Article I, Section 1.03(j) of the Holbrook City Charter relating to requirements for new development.

<u>DESCRIPTIVE TITLE</u>: The charter amendment allows the City to require any party responsible for development to provide for a public improvement or pay a fee in order to maintain satisfactory levels of service for the new development and specifies the City may exercise any powers as authorized by law.

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of allowing the City to require a party responsible for new physical development to provide or furnish any public improvement (or pay a fee) to maintain satisfactory levels of service for the development and establishing that the City may exercise any additional powers relating to new development as set forth in local, state, or federal law.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing list of facilities that are subject to development requirements or a fee.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 438
None were submitted
ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 438
None were submitted

**PROPOSITION 438** 

Shall Article 1, Section 1.03(j) of the City Charter be amended to expand the City's authority to require that any party responsible for new physical development within the City provide or furnish any improvement (or pay a fee) to maintain satisfactory levels of service for the development and authorize the City to exercise any other power relating to new development as permitted by local, state, or federal law?

YES $\square$	4	NO	
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

<u>A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:</u> Section 2.03. <del>Elections</del> RESERVED.

The first election for the offices of Mayor and Council Members under the terms of this Charter shall be held in 1995 and every two years thereafter.

# Sample Ballot

OFFICIAL TITLE: Repealing Article II, Section 2.03 of the Holbrook City Charter relating to elections.

<u>DESCRIPTIVE TITLE:</u> The charter amendment repeals the requirement that (1) the first mayor and council member election after the adoption of the city charter be held in 1995 and (2) subsequent elections be held every two years thereafter (odd-numbered years).

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of removing language relating to the first candidate election held in 1995 following adoption of the city charter and eliminating the requirement that elections for mayor and council members be held every two years in odd-numbered years.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language for the 1995 election and requiring candidate elections be held every two years in odd-numbered years.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 439 None were submitted ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 439 None were submitted

**PROPOSITION 439** 

Shall Art	icle II, S	Section :	2.03	of the Ci	ty Cl	narter be a	men	ded to remove	e the	requirem	ent in	volving	the 1995
elections	of the	mayor	and	council	and	eliminate	the	requirement	that	mayoral	and	council	member
elections	be held	every to	wo ye	ears in oc	ld-nu	ımbered y	ears?	•					

YES			NO $\square$
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### **PROPOSITION 440**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

#### ARTICLE II. THE COUNCIL

Section 2.05. Terms of Council Members

(a) Four Year Terms. Council Members shall be elected for terms of four years each AND STAGGERED SO THAT THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE ELECTED IN ONE EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR, AND THE REMAINING THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE ELECTED IN THE NEXT EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR, and three shall be elected every two years. Council members serving on the date this Charter takes effect shall continue to serve until successors are elected in the 1995 and 1997 elections and take office as provided by ordinance in effect for said election.

(b) Terms of Council Members Elected in 1995 and 1997. Council Members elected in 1995 and 1997 shall serve until successors are elected, qualified and installed as herein provided.

OFFICIAL TITLE: Amending Article II, Section 2.05 of the Holbrook City Charter relating to the terms of council members.

<u>DESCRPTIVE TITLE:</u> The charter amendment eliminates provisions outlining the first set of elections following adoption of the charter and changes when the council members are elected from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years (maintaining staggered terms).

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of establishing that council members are elected in even-numbered years instead of odd-numbered years, maintaining staggered terms, and removing language relating to the first elections held in the City following the adoption of the charter.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language and requiring council members to be elected in odd-numbered years.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 440 None were submitted ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 440 None were submitted

#### **PROPOSITION 440**

Shall Article II, Section 2.05 of the City Charter be amended to provide that council members be elected in even-numbered years instead of odd-numbered years and eliminate provisions relating to the first election's held after the charter was adopted?

YES No No

### **PROPOSITION 441**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT: ARTICLE IV. ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS, OFFICES AND EMPLOYEES Section 4.03. City Treasurer RESERVED.

The Manager, with the approval of the Council, shall appoint an officer with the title of City Treasurer. The Treasurer shall receive and have custody of all of the money of the City, and shall keep and have said money, and disburse the same only as provided by law, and shall always be bound by the Constitution, the laws of the State, the Charter and ordinances of the City.

# Sample Ballot

OFFICIAL TITLE: Repealing Article IV, Section 4.03 of the Holbrook City Charter relating to the position and duties of the City Treasurer.

<u>DESCRIPTIVE TITLE:</u> The Charter amendment repeals the office of City Treasurer, the accompanying appointment process, and duties of the position.

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of eliminating the position of the City Treasurer from the City Charter.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 441 None were submitted ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 441 None were submitted

**PROPOSITION 441** 

Shall Article IV, Section 4.03 of the City Charter relating to the appointment and duties of a City Treasurer be repealed?

YES	NO L	]

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

#### A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

ARTICLE VI. FINANCE AND TAXATION

Section 6.06. Voter approval for certain public expenditures

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Charter of the City of Holbrook, the City shall not expend public funds, grant tax concessions, or incur any form of debt in an amount greater than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00), and/or exchange or grant city-owned land of a fair market value in excess of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00) to construct or aid in the construction of any amphitheater, sports complex, cultural or entertainment facility, arena, stadium, convention facility, or multi-purpose facility without approval of the majority of the electorate voting thereon at the next ensuing election.

# Sample Ballot

<u>OFFICIAL TITLE:</u> Amending Article VI, Section 6.06 of the Holbrook City Charter relating to voter approval of certain public expenditures.

<u>DESCRIPTIVE TITLE:</u> The charter amendment increases, from \$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00, the amount the City may expend in the form of direct expenditures, tax concessions, or debt without voter approval, and the value of city-owned land the City may grant or exchange, to construct or aid in the construction of certain facilities.

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of increasing, from \$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00, the amount the City may expend without voter approval, directly or through land exchanges, to construct or aid in the construction of any amphitheater, sports complex, cultural or entertainment facility, arena, stadium, convention facility, or multi-purpose facility.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing \$500,000.00 limit in the charter.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 442 None were submitted ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 442 None were submitted

#### PROPOSITION 442

Shall Article VI, Section 6.06 of the City Charter be amended to increase, from \$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00, the amount the City may expend through direct expenditures, tax concessions, debt, or a grant or exchange of land, without obtaining voter approval for the purposes of constructing or aiding in the construction of any amphitheater, sports complex, cultural or entertainment facility, arena, stadium, convention facility, or multi-purpose facility?

YES	NO
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# **PROPOSITION 443**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

### A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

ARTICLE VII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Section 7.07. Reading and Passage of Ordinances and Resolutions; Effective Date All proposed ordinances and resolutions having the effect of ordinances shall be subject to the following requirements for passage at any meeting of the Council:

(b) Reading. By request of the Mayor or any member of the Council, a full reading of the proposed ordinance shall be ordered; otherwise, such ordinance shall be read by number and title only. Said ordinances shall have a first and a second reading. and, if EVERY ORDINANCE SHALL RECEIVE A FIRST READING AT ONE REGULAR OR SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING, AND A SECOND READING AT A SUBSEQUENT REGULAR OR SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON A DIFFERENT DATE. IF passed, SUCH ORDINANCE shall be effective after proper publication as noted in Section 7.10.

- (c) Posting at City Hall. Copies of titles of proposed ordinances and resolutions heretofore mentioned shall be posted at City Hall three (3) working days before the hour the City Council convenes to HEAR THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE OR act upon the ordinance or resolution. During the said period of three (3) working days, copies of the entire proposed ordinance or resolution heretofore mentioned shall be made available for inspection by the public at any time during the City's regular business hours. In the event that copies are not so made available to the public for inspection and the said title is not so posted, the ordinance or resolution shall not be brought before the Council for action.
- (d) Amendment. If an amendment is proposed to an ordinance which the Council or City Attorney finds to be a substantive change to the ordinance as originally drafted, the Council may delay action on the ordinance in order to provide sufficient time for public review, as prescribed in Subparagraph (c) of Section 7.07. of Article VII hereof. ANY AMENDMENT MUST ALSO COMPLY WITH THE FIRST AND SECOND READING REQUIREMENTS AS PRESCRIBED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (b) OF SECTION 7.07.

# Sample Ballot

OFFICIAL TITLE: Amending Article VII, Section 7.07(b), (c), and (d) relating to the reading and passage of ordinances.

<u>DESCRIPTIVE TITLE:</u> The charter amendment requires each ordinance (including an amendment) to receive a first reading and second reading at a regular or special council meeting that is held on different dates and requires posting of such ordinances at City Hall at least three working days before the first reading of the ordinance.

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of requiring that the first and second reading for ordinances and amendments to ordinances be held on separate council meeting dates and the posting of ordinances to occur at least three working days before the first reading of the ordinance.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language and allowing first and second readings of ordinances to occur on the same day.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 443
None were submitted
ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 443
None were submitted

#### **PROPOSITION 443**

Shall Article VII, Section 7.07(b), (c), and (d) of the City Charter be amended to require that ordinances and amendments to ordinances receive a first and second reading at a separate regular or special council meeting held on different dates and copies of proposed ordinances or amendments be posted at City Hall at least three working days before the first reading?

YES	NO L	]

### **PROPOSITION 444**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

# A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT: ARTICLE IX. ELECTIONS

Section 9.02. Application of State Law

The provisions of the laws of this State relating to and governing the nominations of elective officers and the conduct of elections, and each and every provision of said law, with all amendments thereto, shall apply and shall govern the nomination of elective officers and the conduct of elections, except as otherwise provided in this Charter or in ordinances adopted pursuant to this Charter. The Council shall have the power to make any additional provisions relating to the nominations of officers and to the conduct of elections, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES THAT ARE not in conflict with or contrary to the provisions of the laws of this State or the provisions of the Charter.

# Sample Ballot

OFFICIAL TITLE: Amending Article IX, Section 9.02 of the Holbrook City Charter regarding the application of state law to elections in the City.

<u>DESCRIPTIVE TITLE:</u> The Charter amendment specifies that the City Council can adopt ordinances relating to nominations of officers and the conduct of elections if such ordinances are not in conflict with state law or the Holbrook City Charter.

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of allowing the City Council to adopt any ordinances relating to the nominations of officers and the conduct of elections if the ordinance does not conflict with state law or the Holbrook City Charter.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 444
None were submitted
ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 444
None were submitted

#### **PROPOSITION 444**

Shall Article IX, Section 9.02 of the City Charter be amended to specify that the City Council may adopt ordinances relating to the nomination of officers and the conduct of elections if such ordinances are not in conflict with state law or the Holbrook City Charter?

YES	NO $\square$	
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### **PROPOSITION 445**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

ARTICLE IX. ELECTIONS

Section 9.10. Time of Holding Primary Elections

Primary elections shall be held IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS ON THE DATE SET FOR THE

STATE'S PRIMARY ELECTION on dates that conform to State and Federal law.

# Sample Ballot

<u>OFFICIAL TITLE:</u> Amending Article IX, Section 9.10 of the Holbrook City Charter regarding the time of holding primary elections.

<u>DESCRIPTIVE TITLE:</u> The charter amendment changes the time of holding the City's primary election from any date that conforms to state and federal law to the same date as the State's primary election, which is currently held on the first Tuesday of August in even-numbered years.

A "yes" vote will have the effect of requiring that all primary elections in the City be held in evennumbered years on the State's primary election date (currently the first Tuesday of August) instead of any date that conforms to state or federal law.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language and allowing the primary election to be held on any date that conforms to state or federal law.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 445 None were submitted ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 445 None were submitted

#### PROPOSITION 445

Shall Article IX, Section 9.10 of the City Charter be amended to establish that primary elections held within the City shall only be held on the same date as the State's primary election in even-numbered years instead of any date that conforms to state or federal law?

YES		9	NO		
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

ARTICLE IX. ELECTIONS

Section 9.11. Time of Holding General Elections

General elections, IF NECESSARY, shall be held FOLLOWING THE PRIMARY ELECTION IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS ON THE DATE SET FOR THE STATE'S GENERAL ELECTION on dates that conform to State and Federal law.

# Sample Ballot

OFFICIAL TITLE: Amending Article IX, Section 9.11 of the Holbrook City Charter regarding the time of holding general elections.

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: The charter amendment changes the time of holding the City's general election, if necessary, from any date that conforms to state and federal law to the same date as the State's general election, which is held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in even-numbered years.

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of requiring that if a general election is required, it be held following the primary election in an even-numbered year on the same as the State's general election (currently the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November) instead of any date that conforms to state or federal law.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language and allowing the general election to be held on any date that conforms to state or federal law.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 446
None were submitted
ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 446
None were submitted

**PROPSITION 446** 

Shall IX, Section 9.11 of the City Charter be amended to require that, if a general election is required in the Article City, it be held following the primary election in even-numbered years on the same day as the State's general election in even-numbered years instead of any date that conforms to state or federal law?

YES		NO	)		
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### **PROPOSITION 447**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE HOLBROOK CITY CHARTER BY THE CITY COUNCIL

A TRUE COPY OF THE TITLES AND TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

ARTICLE XVII. DEFINITIONS

Section 17.07. Gender RESERVED

Wherever the context of the Charter requires, words used in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter.

# Sample Ballot

OFFICIAL TITLE: Amending Article XVII, Section 17.07 of the Holbrook City Charter relating to the application and use of gender pronouns throughout the charter.

DESCRIPTIVE TITLE: The charter amendment repeals a provision that dictates how the use of gender is applied throughout the Holbrook City Charter, which specifies that words used in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter.

A "yes" vote shall have the effect of repealing the provision of the City Charter that specifies that words used in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of retaining the existing charter language.

ARGUMENTS "FOR" PROPOSITION 447
None were submitted
ARGUMENTS "AGAINST" PROPOSITION 447
None were submitted

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Article XVII, Section 17.07 be ame	ended to repeal a provision	on that specifies that words used	d
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YES	10	NO	

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