

## CITY OF LAKE WALES CHARTER AMENDMENT – ORDINANCE 2011-01

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**AMENDMENT: 8**

**TITLE:           REQUIRING AT LEAST 4 VOTES TO CHANGE OR REPEAL AN ETHICS ORDINANCE**

**SUMMARY:** Florida law authorizes the city commission to adopt a local ethics ordinance that is more stringent than Florida law. If the commission chooses to adopt such an ordinance, it can only be revised or repealed by a super majority vote of the commission. With a 5-member commission, this means that a minimum of four “yes” votes is required.

**TEXT:           Sec. 1.03. Ethics policy.**

The city commission of the City of Lake Wales may, by ordinance, impose upon its officers, both elected and appointed, and its employees additional or more stringent standards of ethical conduct and disclosure requirements than currently exist by law, provided that those standards and requirements do not otherwise conflict with law or the provisions of the Charter. In the event such standards or requirements are adopted, the said standards or requirements may only be revised or repealed by a super majority vote of the city commission.

[Words ~~stricken~~ are deletions; words underlined are additions.]