

HOPI ELECTION SURVEY

Sponsored by the Hopi Election Board, Hopi Tribe

PURPOSE

- To provide quality service in the areas of Hopi Tribal Elections, Voter Registration Update, Data History, and increase the Voting numbers, to name a few, which would be a part of the revision to the Hopi Election Ordinance #34.
- To provide a democratic way of organization that deals with elections in the area of Hopi Tribal Council and Village Representation, only to name a few, which would be a part of revisions to the Constitution and By-laws of the Hopi Tribe.

GOAL OF THE SURVEY

To provide equal opportunity for all eligible Hopi Voters to:

- express their concerns on Hopi Tribal Elections and its process
- express their concerns on the selection process for a Hopi Tribal Council Chairman/Vice Chairman
- express their concerns on the selection process for Village Hopi Tribal Council Representations
- participate in the review/amendment to the Constitution and By-laws of the Hopi Tribe and the Hopi Election Ordinance #34.

VOTER'S PARTICIPATION

This survey has been prepared for you, the Voter, and it lets your concerns be known. Through your participation in this survey, the Hopi Election Board will be able to propose to the Hopi Tribal Council for a *Secretarial Referendum Election** which may adopt or reject the amendments to the Constitution and By-laws of the Hopi Tribe. The Hopi Election Board may utilize your comments to make revisions to the Hopi Election Ordinance #34 for a fair electoral process. We thank you in advance for participating in the survey designed for you to be a part of the change. Thank you for participating in the survey.

CIRCLE YOUR ANSWER AND LEAVE A COMMENT.

1. Are you an Enrolled Member of the Hopi Tribe? YES / NO
IF you marked NO indicate Tribe or Nationality. Other: _____
2. Village Affiliation: _____
3. Are you 18 years or older? YES / NO
4. Circle Age Category: 18-25 26-30 31- 54 55-65 66+
5. I currently reside in i.e., Winslow, Flagstaff etc. _____

Secretarial Referendum Election is a **federal election, to vote on whether to adopt or reject the proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws of the Hopi Tribe, separate and apart from a Hopi Tribal Election Process.*

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(Please circle *Yes* or *NO*)

1. **Would you propose that the Hopi Election Board have a Permanent Early Mail-In Ballot Voter List?** *YES / NO*

This would mean that once you are established (at your request) as a permanent early mail-in voter by the Hopi Elections Registrar, a mail-in ballot would automatically be sent to you for each election conducted by the Hopi Tribe.

Comment: _____

2. **Would you propose that Candidates for Hopi Tribal Chairman run on the same ticket, which would name a running mate for the General (final) Election of the Hopi Tribe?** *YES / NO*

This would mean that only the candidates for the Chairman would be on the Primary Election ballot. Following the Primary election, the top two candidates for Chairman would name their running mate for Vice Chairman for the General (final) Election.

Comment: _____

3. **Would you propose that there be a provision to have a Write-In candidate for Chairman in the Primary election?** *YES / NO*

The Hopi Tribe presently does not have a provision for write-in candidates. IF there were Write-In candidates they would have to meet specific regulations and be certified like a regular candidate.

Comments: _____

4. **Would you propose Early Voting Sites for the Hopi Reservation be continued?** *YES/NO*
IF Early Voting Sites were extended to off Reservation would you vote at those sites?
i.e. Flagstaff, Phoenix, and Winslow? *YES / NO*

Comment _____

5. **Would you propose that Hopi Tribal Council Representatives be required to have a background check?** *YES / NO*

Comment: _____

- 5a. **Would you propose to have qualifications for the Hopi Tribal Council Representatives?**
YES / NO **IF, YES, please indicate the qualifications in the comment section below.**

Comment: _____

6. **Would you propose that Villages vote for Hopi Tribal Council Representatives per District area? YES / NO**

The districts would be: **First Mesa District** (Walpi, Sichomovi, Tewa), **Second Mesa District** (Mishongnuvi, Sipaulovi, Shungopavi), **Third Mesa District** (Kykotsmovi, Orayvi, Hotevilla, Bacavi) and **Munqapi District** (Upper Moenkopi, Lower Moenkopi). This would mean eligible voters who are enrolled with the villages would vote for their District Representatives. This process would allow equal representation per district to be a part of the democratic system.

IF YES, circle number of Representatives: 2 per District or 3 per District

Comment: _____

OR

6b. **Would you propose that eligible village members vote for two Hopi Tribal Council Representatives per village? YES / NO**

This process would allow eligible voters to be a part of the democratic system and allow all villages to participate with equal representation.

Comment: _____

7. **Would you propose to have term limits for Hopi Tribal Council Representatives? YES / NO**
IF YES, would it be limited to 2 terms? YES / NO

Presently, representatives serve two years, per term. Two terms would allow the representative to serve a total of 4 years per 2 terms.

Comment: _____

8. **Would you propose that the candidates noted below be voted in by eligible Hopi Voters?**

- **Tribal Treasurer** YES / NO
- **Tribal Secretary** YES / NO
- **Tribal Judge** YES / NO
- **Tribal General Counsel (Attorney)** YES / NO
- **Tribal Prosecutor** YES / NO

Comment: _____

8a. **Would you propose that the above Hopi Tribal Officers have qualifications? YES/NO**
IF, YES, please indicate the qualifications in the comment section below.

Comment: _____

8b. **Would you propose to require background checks on all positions mentioned? YES / NO**

Comment: _____

8c. **Would you propose that there be term limits? Circle one: 2 year/ 4 year**

Comment: _____

9. **Would you propose that the Hopi Tribal General Fund Budget, which is allocated for the Hopi Tribal Council Representatives, be an addition to the annual Village funding, for those villages who have council representation? YES / NO**

This process would enable a village, to set and maintain the salary/payroll for their Council Representative and for their approved Council activities.

Comment: _____

10. **Would you propose a Three Branch Government (Legislative, Judicial, Executive) for the Hopi Tribe? YES/NO**

This would mean that the three branches would be: **Legislative** which creates the laws, **Judicial** which interprets the law, and **Executive** which has responsibility for day-to-day enforcement and administration of the law. A three branch government would provide the checks and balances while providing a separation of power.

Comment: _____

11. **Would you like to propose any further recommendations or have any comments to be considered for a change to the Hopi Tribe Constitution and By-Laws or to the Hopi Tribal Election Ordinance #34.**

Comment: _____

PRINT NAME & INITIAL (OPTIONAL): _____

**OCTOBER 28, 2022 DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF SURVEY TO THE HOPI
ELECTION BOARD:**

The survey can be dropped off at the Hopi Elections Office:
located across the New Kykotsmovi Village Co-op Store
AZ State Hwy 264 and B.I.A. Indian Route 2 – Leupp Road Kykotsmovi AZ

Or

Mail to:

Hopi Elections Office P.O. Box 553 Kykotsmovi, AZ 86039

Visit the HOPI TRIBES WEB PAGE: <https://www.hopi-nsn.gov>

CLICK - Hopi Tribal Government CLICK on Hopi Elections Office to fill out the survey online

Marlena Selina, Secretary, Email: MaSelina@hopi.nsn.us

Karen L. Shupla, Tribal Registrar, Email: KShupla@hopi.nsn.us

Mail to:

Hopi Election Board

P.O. Box 553

Kykotsmovi, AZ 86039

For further information call the Hopi Elections Office at: 1-928-734-2507/2508

ASQUALI, KWAK'HA, KUNDAH, KUNA'AH, THANK YOU

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