

No. M-10. An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the City of Barre.

(H.902)

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. CHARTER AMENDMENT APPROVAL

The General Assembly approves the amendments to the charter of the City of Barre as set forth in this act. The voters of the City approved the proposals of amendment on May 13, 2025.

Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 1 is amended to read:

CHAPTER 1. CITY OF BARRE

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§ 313. SALE OR LEASE OF CITY PROPERTY

The City Council may authorize the sale or lease of any real or personal estate belonging to the City, and all conveyances, grants, or leases of such real estate shall be signed by the Mayor, the City Manager, or any councilor duly authorized by an action of the City Council.

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§ 601. PAYMENT OF TAXES

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(b) At the close of the fiscal year audit, any unexpended funds remaining from the City budget may be retained, if approved by vote of the City Council, as an undesignated fund balance for future use. Any funds retained pursuant to this provision shall be limited to an amount not greater than ~~five~~ 10 percent of

the City general fund budget expenses for the most recent voter-approved
fiscal year. Any amount remaining in excess of ~~five percent in the City budget~~
such amount must be used in the subsequent budget to ~~cut~~ reduce the tax rate.

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Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

Date Governor signed bill: June 8, 2026