

II. RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMISSION — PUBLIC QUESTION

The Commission recommends and directs that the following public question be placed before the voters of Millburn in a special election to be conducted on June 16, 2026:

Shall the COUNCIL-MANAGER PLAN of the Optional Municipal Charter Law, with SEVEN (7) council members to be ELECTED AT-LARGE for STAGGERED terms at NON-PARTISAN elections held in NOVEMBER, with the MAYOR ELECTED BY THE COUNCIL FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS, be adopted by the Township of Millburn?

The following explanatory statement shall accompany the public question:

The voters of Millburn are asked whether to approve a change in Millburn's form of government from the Township Form to the Council-Manager form under NJ's Optional Municipal Charter Law (Faulkner Act).

If approved, Millburn will be governed by a Council of seven (7) members elected at-large to staggered four (4) year terms through non-partisan elections held every other November, beginning on November 3, 2026.

The Council as a body shall possess the Township's legislative powers and shall determine all matters of policy for Millburn. The Council shall appoint a professional Municipal Manager, who will exercise all executive and administrative powers. The Municipal Manager shall serve at the will of the Council. Currently, executive authority is exercised in part by a Business Administrator appointed under local ordinance.

Similar to the current Township Form, the Mayor will be selected from among the Council by a majority of its members. Beyond possessing certain appointment powers and serving as the Chair of the Council, the Mayor is an equal voting member of the Council.

If a change of government is approved by the voters, the first municipal election will be held for all seven (7) Council members on November 3, 2026, and the new Council will be installed on January 1, 2027. After the initial election, there will be either four (4) or three (3) Council seats up for election every other November.