





## City Charter

On November 4, 2003, the voters of the City of Norco adopted the City Charter. The Charter was effective on December 10, 2003, which was when the Secretary of State received and filed the document. An amendment to this Charter was approved by the voters on November 8, 2005 and was effective on March 7, 2006 when it was filed with the Secretary of State.

### City of Norco Charter (Filed with Secretary of State December 10, 2003)

1. GENERAL LAW GOVERNS: Except as expressly stated in this charter-, All current laws, ordinances and resolutions of the City of Norco will remain unchanged and may be adopted, amended or repealed in the manner provided in the general law. The general laws set forth in the constitution of the State of California and the laws of the State of California shall continue to govern the City of Norco.
2. FORM OF GOVERNMENT: The municipal government established by this charter shall continue to be the "Council-Manager" form of government. The city council establishes the policy of the city; the city manager shall carry out that policy.
3. PROTECTING ANIMAL KEEPING RIGHTS, ZONING RIGHTS, AND HORSE TRAILS: The following listed City of Norco Municipal Codes as in effect as of the effective date of this Charter will not be changed, amended, or repealed without a minimum of a Super Majority (4/5ths) Vote of the City of Norco City Council:
  - Title 3 REVENUE AND FINANCE (Only including the below listed Chapters, Sections, and Subsections)
  - Chapter 3.20 RIDING TRAILS FUND Section 3.40.034 Trail Development Fee.
  - Title 8 ANIMALS (Only including the below listed Chapters, Sections, and Subsections)
  - Chapter 8.02 VOLUNTARY RANCH LICENSE
  - Title 10 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC (Only including the below listed Chapters, Sections, and Subsections)
  - Section 10.08.030 Parking Violations Include:
  - Title 17 SUBDIVISIONS (Only including the below listed Chapters, Sections, and Subsections)
  - Section 17.08.320 Improvements.  Section 17.08.670 Trail.  Section 17.12.020 Streets and Highways.
  - Section 17.12.030 Lots.
  - Section 17.16.140 Protection of Future Easements.
  - Title 18 ZONING (including all Chapters, Sections and Subsections)

4. INAPPLICABILITY OF PREVAILING WAGE LAW: The California Prevailing Wage Law, Labor Code Section 1720, et. Seq., shall be inapplicable to the City of Norco public works projects.
5. SUCCESSION TO RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES: The City of Norco shall continue to own, possess and control all rights and property of every kind and nature that is owned, possessed and controlled at the time this charter takes effect, and shall be subject to all its debts, obligations and contracts.
6. AMENDMENTS, REVISIONS, OR REPEALS TO CHARTER This charter may only be amended, revised or repealed by a 50% + 1 of the voters at a general election.
7. INITIATIVE AND REFERENDA: This charter does not abridge or modify the rights of citizens to propose initiatives and referenda (including amendments to this charter) as provided for in the general laws in the State of California.

**City of Norco Charter Amendment (Filed with Secretary of State March 7, 2006)**

(1) To protect and preserve the animal keeping lifestyle in residential areas, any zone change from or to the following zones as defined in Title 18 of the Norco Municipal Code requires a Super Majority (4/5ths) Vote of the City Council:

- A-E ZONE AGRICULTURAL ESTATE
- A-1 ZONE AGRICULTURAL LOW DENSITY
- A-2 ZONE AGRICULTURAL
- R-1 ZONE RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY
- R-3 ZONE LOW-DENSITY MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
- HS ZONE HILLSIDE (AGRICULTURAL/LOW DENSITY) AREAS
- PD OVERLAY ZONE PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS
- SPECIFIC PLAN

(2) Severability Clause. This Resolution and the various parts, sections, and clauses hereof, are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby. The People of the City of Norco hereby declare that they would have passed this Ordinance and each part, section, paragraph, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more portions thereof be declared invalid.