

SEA ISLE CITY
GOVERNMENT REFERENDUM

MAYOR-COUNCIL FORM

VOTERS

MAYOR

Administers Municipality

Appoints Business Administrator, Department Heads, Members of Boards, Commissions and Authorities, subject to Council Advice and Consent

Supervises, Directs and Controls all Departments

Vetoes Ordinances

Submits Budget

Negotiates Contracts for the Municipality

COUNCIL

Adopts Administrative Code

Consents to Appointments of Administrator, Department Heads, Members of Boards, Commissions and Authorities

Investigates Administration

Passes Ordinances and Resolutions with 2/3 veto override

Passes/Modifies Budget

Appoints Municipal Clerk

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Heads Department of Administration

Assists Mayor with Budget

Administers Centralized Purchasing and Personnel System

As the name implies, the Mayor-Council form places the entire administration of the municipality in the hands of a separately elected mayor who, by virtue of his election, is strongly independent of council. He runs the administration (with the help of a professional administrator) and he is accountable to the people of the municipality for his stewardship.

He may veto ordinances passed by the council. He submits the budget and reports annually to the council on the status of the municipality.

Politically, he is a strong and visible leader, elected at large by the people of the municipality.

Source: State Commission on County and Municipal Government