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## **Charter Review Committee Sets Community Meetings to Gather Input**

*Four meetings will discuss potential amendments to the City's governing document*

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – A citizens' panel that is reviewing potential changes to the city's governing document will hold four community meetings through the year to seek feedback from residents.

The 15-member Charter Review Committee meets every eight years to review the City Charter, which governs most City functions. The process, which is called for in the Charter itself, is designed to ensure the document reflects the will of the voters of Riverside.

The Charter Review Committee will work through April, 2020 before making recommendations to the City Council, with any possible Charter changes going before voters on Nov. 4, 2020.

Meetings have been scheduled around Riverside through the remainder of 2019 to receive community input on the Charter. The meetings are scheduled for:

- 6 p.m. May 13 at the Youth Opportunity Center, Bobby Bonds Park, 2060 University Ave.
- 6 p.m. Aug. 12 at the La Sierra Senior Center, 5215 La Sierra Ave., Building A.
- 6 p.m. Nov. 18 at the Orange Terrace Community Center, 20010 Orange Terrace Parkway.
- 6 p.m. Dec. 9 at the Renck Community Center, Hunt Park, 4015 Jackson St.

The Charter sets forth the rules for how Riverside is run, including the council/manager form of government; the number of wards; the powers and duties of the Mayor, City Council, charter officers, and employees; the role of the Department of Public Utilities; and public access to meetings and records, among many other things.

More information can be found at: <https://www.riversideca.gov/cityclerk/boards-commissions/charter-review-committee>