



CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

ARTICLE	SECTION	TITLE	ISSUES	SUBSTANTIVE /NON- SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES	FISCAL IMPACT
I		<i>Incorporation and Succession</i>	No proposed changes	N/A	N/A
II		<i>General Powers of City</i>	No proposed changes	N/A	N/A
III		<i>Form of Government</i>	No proposed changes	N/A	N/A
IV	400	<i>City Council and Mayor</i>	<p>Issue: Timing of Run-Off Elections</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No change to current language mandating that run-off elections be held 5 months after June election. - Shorten run-off period to 60 days after June election - Shorten run-off period for City Council member elections to the last Tuesday in August of odd-numbered years, with no change to the mayoral run-off election. <p>Recommendation: Shorten run-off period for City Council member elections to the last Tuesday in August of odd-</p>	Substantive	Change in City Council run-off elections to August will increase costs up to \$47,000 per election cycle, plus \$58,000 for one-time voter notification



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			numbered years, with no change to the mayoral run-off election. Vote: 10-3		
V		<i>Elections</i>	No proposed changes	N/A	N/A
VI	601	<i>City Manager</i> Powers and Duties	Issue: Whether to change certain titles in Charter to reflect new titles Positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- No changes to current titles- Change titles of “Controller” and “Treasurer” to <i>Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer</i>; change “librarian” to <i>Library Director</i>. Recommendation: Change Titles Vote: 13-0	Non-substantive	None



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	601(c)	<i>Powers and Duties</i>	<p>Issue: Whether to expand RPU Board authority to approval not only of appointment, but also <u>suspension</u> and <u>removal</u> of RPU Director.</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current authority of the Board - Expand RPU Board authority to approval not only of appointment, but also <u>suspension</u> and <u>removal</u> of RPU Director. <p>Recommendation: Expand RPU Board authority to approval not only of appointment , but also <u>suspension</u> and <u>removal</u> of RPU Director.</p> <p>Vote: 15-0</p>	Substantive	None
	601	<i>Powers and Duties</i>	<p>Issue: Whether to eliminate the City Manager's authority to approve or disapprove the appointments or removals of subordinate employees of the City Clerk and the City Attorney</p>	Substantive	None



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			<p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current authority - Eliminate the City Manager's authority to approve or disapprove the appointments and removals of subordinate employees of the City Clerk and the City Attorney. <p>Recommendation: Eliminate the City Manager's authority to approve or disapprove the appointments and removals of subordinate employees of the City Clerk and the City Attorney.</p> <p>Vote: 12-1</p>		
VII	700	<p><i>Officers and Employees Generally</i></p> <p>Appointment of City Attorney and City Clerk</p>	<p>Issue: Whether to add a City Auditor as a City Council appointed officer</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No appointment of a City Auditor 	Substantive	None



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add a City Auditor as an additional Charter officer appointed by the City Council, with the powers and duties of the City Auditor set by ordinance. The following are examples of such powers and duties: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The City Auditor shall be a certified public accountant, a certified internal auditor, or have such other or additional qualifications as the City Council may establish by resolution. The City Auditor shall set the qualifications for subordinate staff. 2. By March 1st each year, the City Auditor shall submit an annual audit plan to the City Council for approval. The annual audit plan may be amended during the year with the approval of the City Council. The City Council may, by resolution, authorize a committee, charter officer, or an individual Councilmember with respect to the Councilmember's own office, to request additional audits. 3. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with standards as prescribed by City Council resolution. 4. The City Auditor shall prepare a written report of the results of each audit conducted and will be responsible for retaining a copy as a permanent record. The City Council may prescribe by resolution the manner of report preparation and presentation. 		



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	704, 705	Controller, Treasurer	<p>5. City departments, offices and employees shall provide the city auditor access to all sources of information, property, and personnel relevant to the performance of an audit, unless restricted or prohibited by law. This section shall not apply to the office of any elected official, unless that elected official requested the audit, of that official's own office.</p> <p>6. No person shall directly or indirectly coerce or attempt to coerce the City Auditor relative to the City Auditor's examinations, audits, or the appointment or removal of any employee which is made by the City Auditor.</p> <p>Vote: 11-3</p> <p>Issue: Whether to change certain titles and listed duties in Charter to reflect new titles and duties</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current titles and duties - Change title of "Controller" to <i>Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer</i> and add listed duties of Treasurer to the listed duties of the <i>Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer</i>. 	Non-substantive	None



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			<p>Recommendation: Change title of “Controller” to <i>Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer</i> and add listed duties of Treasurer to the listed duties of the <i>Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer</i>.</p> <p>Vote: 13-0</p>		
VIII	808(e)	<p><i>Appointive Boards and Commissions</i></p> <p>Board of Library Trustees</p>	<p>Issue: Whether to change certain title of “Librarian” to <i>Library Director</i></p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current title - Change title of “librarian” to <i>Library Director</i>. <p>Recommendation: change title of “Librarian” to <i>Library Director</i>.</p> <p>Vote: 13-0</p>	Non-Substantive	None
	809	Park and Recreation	<p>Issue: Whether to remove oversight of street trees from the powers and duties of the Park and Recreation Commission</p>	Substantive	None



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	811 (New)	Commission on Sustainability	<p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No change to current powers and duties - Remove oversight of street trees from the powers and duties. <p>Recommendation: remove oversight of street trees from the powers and duties of the Park and Recreation Commission.</p> <p>Vote: 14-0</p> <p>Issue: Whether to create a Commission on Sustainability</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not create a Commission on Sustainability - Create a Commission on Sustainability. <p>Recommendation: Create a Commission on Sustainability.</p> <p>Vote: 10-4</p>	Substantive	None
IX		<i>Personnel Merit System</i>	No proposed changes	N/A	N/A
X		<i>Retirement</i>	No proposed changes	N/A	N/A



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XI	1101, 1103, 1113	<i>Fiscal Administration</i> Budget, Independent Audit	<p>Issue: Whether to modify requirements to provide hard copies of certain documents to City officials, require certain documents (budget, external audit) be posted on the internet</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current requirement - Delete requirement to provide hard copies of certain documents to City officials, require certain documents (budget, external audit) be posted on the internet <p>Recommendation: Delete requirement to provide hard copies certain documents to City officials, require certain documents (budget, external audit) be posted on the internet</p> <p>Vote: 13-0</p>	Non-Substantive	Minimal positive impact to General Fund
	1109	Public Works Contract	<p>Issue: Whether to change advertisement of opportunities for bids for public works contracts from the newspaper to electronic means (internet).</p>	Substantive	Minimal positive impact to General Fund



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			<p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current requirements - Change advertisement of opportunities for bids for public works contracts from the newspaper to electronic means (internet) <p>Recommendation: Change advertisement of opportunities for bids for public works contracts from the newspaper to electronic means (internet)</p> <p>Vote: 15-0</p>		
XII	1202(g)	<i>Department of Public Utilities</i>	<p>Issue: Whether to expand RPU Board authority to approval not only of appointment, but also <u>suspension</u> and <u>removal</u> of RPU Director.</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current authority of the Board - Expand RPU Board authority to approval not only of appointment, but also <u>suspension</u> and <u>removal</u> of RPU Director. <p>Recommendation: Expand RPU Board authority to approval not only of appointment, but also <u>suspension</u> and <u>removal</u> of RPU Director.</p>	Substantive	None



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XIII		<i>Franchises</i>	No Proposed changes	N/A	N/A
XIV	1403	<i>Miscellaneous</i> Charter Review Committee	Issue: Whether to delete obsolete language and adjust the dates for the appointment of the next committee from February 2004 to February 2019. Positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current Charter language - Adjust the dates for the appointment of the next committee from February 2004 to February 2019 Recommendation: Adjust the dates for the appointment of the next committee from February 2004 to February 2019 Vote: 13-0	Non-Substantive	None
	1406 (new)	Citizens Financial Audit Review Committee	Issue: Whether to create a citizen's audit committee to review the final report prepared by the City's independent auditor.	Substantive	None



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Misc.	Misc.	Various	<p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current Charter language - Create a citizen's audit committee to meet every two years to review the final report prepared by the City's independent auditor <p>Recommendation: That the City Council create a citizen's audit committee independent of the Charter (no amendment to the Charter)</p> <p>Vote: 12-2</p> <p>Issue: Whether to make various changes and clarifications to correct words, to delete obsolete language to reflect current practices, and eliminate reference to taxes no longer being collected.</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current Charter language - Make the recommended changes <p>Recommendation: Make various changes and clarifications to correct words, to delete obsolete language to reflect</p>	Non-Substantive	None



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	Misc.	Various	<p>current practices, and eliminate reference to taxes no longer being collected.</p> <p>Issue: Whether to insert the word “accessible” before “website” throughout the Charter.</p> <p>Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes to current Charter language - Insert the word “accessible” before “website” throughout the Charter <p>Recommendation: insert the word “accessible” before “website” throughout the Charter</p> <p>Vote: 13-0</p>	Non-Substantive	None