

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT #5 -- Planning Board and Board of Appeals

Shall the municipality approve the charter modifications as described in the summary below?

This amendment would:

1. While the mayor would retain the authority to appoint members of the Planning Board, such appointments would require confirmation by the city council.
2. The current five-year terms for members of the planning board and board of appeals would be reduced to three years and be limited to three full three-year terms.
3. Board of Appeals members would be restricted from serving on any city board or committee whose actions are appealable to the board of appeals.

- YES - FOR THE QUESTION**
- NO - AGAINST THE QUESTION**

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT #6 -- School Budget Process

Shall the municipality approve the charter modifications as described in the summary below?

This amendment:

1. Specifies that the city charter applies to the school budget adoption process only to the extent that it does not conflict with state law.
2. Simplifies the process for enacting a budget should the council fail to act in a timely manner by specifying that the city administrator will present a final budget proposal to the council covering non-school budget items. If the council fails to adopt the budget prior to the end of the fiscal year, the administrator's proposal would go into effect.
3. Specifically authorizes the council to approve the school budget at a separate time from its action on non-school budgets.

- YES - FOR THE QUESTION**
- NO - AGAINST THE QUESTION**

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT #7 -- Budget Expenditure Limit

Shall the municipality approve the charter modifications as described in the summary below?

This amendment:

1. Replaces the Gross Domestic Product Implicit Price Deflator benchmark against which expenditure increases are measured with the Consumer Price Index Urban Northeast.
2. Applies this new limitation to the tax levy, rather than total expenditures.
3. Repeals Section 2-31 of the Code of Ordinances that reflects the charter language to be amended, i.e., the Gross Domestic Product Implicit Price Deflator benchmark to measure budget expenditure increases.

- YES - FOR THE QUESTION**
- NO - AGAINST THE QUESTION**

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT #8 -- Minor Technical Changes

Shall the municipality approve the charter modifications as described in the summary below?

This amendment would:

1. Relocate the section of the charter that limits a city employee or an individual who holds appointive city office from holding an elective city office;
2. Adds language clarifying that this prohibition applies to both city and school employees and appointive officers;
3. Eliminates the ability to sign nominating petitions in pencil;
4. Adjusts the timeline for issuing and filing nominating petitions without changing the length of time allowed for petition circulation;
5. Adjusts the time deadline of filing nominating petitions to the normal close of business of the city clerk's office on the deadline date.

- YES - FOR THE QUESTION**
- NO - AGAINST THE QUESTION**

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT #9 -- Elimination of Antiquated Provisions

Shall the municipality approve the charter modifications as described in the summary below?

This amendment would:

1. Eliminate the charter provision requiring that the council adopt a personnel ordinance;
2. Repeal the duty of the finance committee to serve as the pension board;
3. Repeal the provision that protected certain employee wage supplements in effect at the time this charter was initially adopted in 1979.

- YES - FOR THE QUESTION**
- NO - AGAINST THE QUESTION**

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