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Charter Review Committee Quarterly Update

Study Session Meeting | April 7, 2026

Requested By: Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Roger Neal



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Background

- 1** November 18, 2025: Charter Review Committee established
- 2** Committee meets monthly on third Wednesday of the month
- 3** Committee is reviewing the Charter by Article and Section
- 4** Multiple recommendations have been made

Recommendations

Recommendations to be Placed on the Ballot

- Amend Article I, Section 1.07 to simplify language
- Amend Article II, Section 2.06 to add language giving the City Council power to appoint or remove City Attorney
- Amend Article II, Section 2.12 to change the language for removing Municipal Court Judge to “at will”

Recommendations Not to be Placed on the Ballot

- Amend the Code of Ethics related to Council decorum, including decorum related to frivolous ethics complaints
- Coordination with the City Manager regarding communication with City staff
- Amend Code of Ethics to require annual training for City Council
- Establishment of an Ethics Committee utilizing authority in Code of Ethics
- Establish rules for adding an agenda item utilizing the Council’s Rules of Procedures

Recommendations

Upcoming Discussions

- At-large member of Council
- Moving elections to November
- Posting audits on the City's website
- Requiring a supermajority vote when only three members of Council are present
- Abstentions
- Penalties for Councilmembers who resign mid-term
- Creation of a transit Committee

Questions



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