



Charter Amendment Suggestions		Related Charter Section(s)
1	Convert Chief of Police to be appointed (versus elected) either by City Council or City Manager	Section 600 City elected officers
2	Convert the City Clerk position to be appointed (versus elected).	Section 600 City elected officers
3	Voting Method of Elected Mayor, City Clerk, Police Chief	Section 600 City elected officers
4	Convert the Mayor from a directly elected position to a rotating role amongst seven elected Council Members.	Section 600 City elected officers
5	Section 707 requires two regular meetings each month. In practice, Council takes the month of July off. Amend section 707 to require at least one meeting every 30 days and at least 20 meetings per year, separated by 14 days.	Section 707 Regular Meetings
6	Provide that certain city officers (city council, city clerk, chief of police, city manager, and city attorney) have a duty to report when they know of a violation of the City Charter. Create complaint process for city staff who report suspected City Charter violations. Provide whistleblower protections for those who report. In the interest of good government, penalties without a reporting/enforcement mechanism are not effective.	Section 712 Proceedings Section 807 Prohibition against Councilmanic interference Section 1107 Prohibitions Section 1801 Violations
7	Section 714 states that no property exceeding \$500.00 in value shall be sold without first publishing notice of intention to sell in an official newspaper....” Amend so value is appropriate and includes automatic increase based on inflation.	Section 714 Power to lease, sell, or convey City property
8	Consider revising the required five-sevenths vote for an emergency ordinance to four-sevenths vote should one or two council members not be available.	Section 811 Emergency ordinances



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9	Require proposed ordinances to be available on city's website at least three days before adoption, including the full text of the ordinance. Currently the Charter requires a proposed ordinance to be posted at least three days prior to its adoption in three public spaces. In addition, prior to the final ordinance adoption, a single publication of the ordinance must be provided in an official newspaper, including the title, date of its introduction, a brief summary, and a list of the places where copies of the full text of the proposed ordinance are posted.	Section 812 Publication of ordinances Section 813 Codification of ordinances Section 814 Adoption of printed building codes Section 815 Publishing of legal notices
10	Section 908(c) requires that the City Attorney "attend all meetings of the City Council and give his/her advice or opinion in writing whenever requested to do so by the City Council, or by any of the boards or officers of the City." Amend to include commissions.	Section 908 City Attorney
11	Charter Section 1006 states that all City Planning Commissioners shall not hold any paid office or employment in the City government; but Section 1101 declares all members of boards or commissions are members of the unclassified service.	Section 1006 Planning Commission – Generally Section 1101 Classified Service
12	Amend to require complete city budget to be posted on the city website.	Section 1302 Budget – Submission to City Council
13	Charter requires that every public works contract that involves an expenditure of more than \$1,000 "shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder after notice by publication in an official newspaper...." Adjust value to be appropriate and automatically adjust based on inflation.	Section 1310 Contracts on Public Works
14	Charter requires three copies of final audit and report to be available for public inspection. Amend to require posting on city's website.	Section 1319 Independent Audit
15	In general, amend Charter to include "to the extent possible, the full materials prepared before public meetings in addition to the agenda shall be available on the city's website in addition to the three public places such information is posted. "	