


2023 Charter Review Committee Meeting

Item 2, Discussion and Action on Preliminary Committee Recommendations on Charter Provisions Related to the Elected Chief of Police and City Clerk

September 21, 2023

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City Clerk

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      A --> C[If appointed, should the appointing authority be the City Council or the City Manager?]
      B --> D[If the Committee recommends the position remain elected and the qualifications should not be changed, no ballot language is required.]
      B --> E[If the Committee recommends changes to qualifications for the elected City Clerk position, it must identify changes and propose 75- word ballot language.]
      C --> F[Prepare charter change to identify City Council as Appointing Authority]
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- If appointed, should the appointing authority be the City Council or the City Manager?
 - Prepare charter change to identify City Council as Appointing Authority
 - Prepare charter change to identify City Manager as Appointing Authority

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Chief of Police

