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REPORT IN BRIEF

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RECOMMENDATION

Charter Review Committee - Adopt a motion selecting Charter sections for initial review based on City Council priorities to return to the next meeting with suggested changes for discussion.

DISCUSSION

At the March 18, 2019 City Council Meeting, Mayor Murphy brought forward an item to discuss possible amendments to the City Charter. Council directed staff to return with a timeline and list of milestones in order to place possible amendments on the March 2020 Primary Election.

At the April 1, 2019 City Council meeting, staff reported on a timeline and set of milestones that would need to be met in order to place possible Charter Amendments on the March 2020 Primary

Election. At the same meeting, Council directed staff to begin the process that would lead to that end.

At the May 20, 2019 City Council meeting, Council discussed priority items for the Citizens Advisory Charter to review in addition to an overall review of the Charter.

Items directed by City Council for review were as follows:

1. Charter Section 1112. - Cash Basis Fund (removal of section)
2. Charter Section 400. - Mayoral Term (review change from 2 to 4 year term)
3. Charter Section 402. - Compensation (review of Council monthly stipend)
4. Possible addition of a section regarding financial auditors directly reporting to the City Council.
5. Flexibility of Citizens Advisory Charter Review Committee to suggest changes to additional sections as time permits.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Charter Sections 1112, 400B, and 402

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