Charter Commission Meeting

March 31, 2022







Welcome & Commission Business	10 min
Review Work Session & Identify Discussion Priorities	15 min
Take Verbal Public Comment	50 min
Break	10 min
Discuss & Refine Areas of Agreement	70 mins
Take Preliminary Vote	20 min
Preview Next Steps	5 min



Phase I Timeline

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drafting

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June 29 Ballot referral

Review Work Session & Identify Discussion Priorities



		Work Session Review
1	Executive authority	Mayor
2	Mayor is a member of council	No
3	Mayor votes with council	Tie breaking only or never
4	Mayor veto authority	No
5	Authority to hire city manager/administrator	Mayor nominates, council approves
6	Authority to supervise city manager/administrator	Mayor
7	Authority to fire city manager/administrator	Mayor
8	Authority to hire and fire bureau directors	City manager/administrator alone or with mayor input
9	Responsibility for policy development	Council
10	Responsibility for budget preparation	Mayor proposes, either council amends/approves or disposes
11	Number of districts	At least 4
12	Number of elected leaders per district	3
13	Council size	At least 12
14	Voting method	Ranked choice voting
15	Timing of elections	Staggered every two years, November only
16	Districting process	Community body with criteria, redistricting every 10 years









Discuss & Refine Areas of Agreement



Desired Outcomes for Charter Reform

Participatory and growing democracy with more voices being heard in elections

Responsive government with Councilors who understand your community needs

Accessible and transparent government with Councilors who are easy to reach

Accountable government with Councilors who answer to the people

Reflective government with Councilors who look like the community they represent

Trustworthy government with Councilors who safeguard democracy

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4	Mayor veto authority	No: stayed the same
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6	Authority to supervise city manager/administrator	Mayor
7	Authority to fire city manager/administrator	Mayor: modified to mayor or ¾ of council
8	Authority to hire and fire bureau directors	City manager/administrator alone or with mayor input: modified to city manager/administrator
9	Responsibility for policy development	Council
10	Responsibility for budget preparation	Mayor proposes, either council amends/approves or disposes: modified to show intent for council to have more power in process
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		3.31.22 Preliminary Vote
1	Executive authority	Mayor
2	Mayor is a member of council	No
3	Mayor votes with council	Never
4	Mayor veto authority	No
5	Authority to hire city manager/administrator	Mayor nominates, council approves
6	Authority to supervise city manager/administrator	Mayor
7	Authority to fire city manager/administrator	Mayor or 3/4 of the Council
8	Authority to hire and fire bureau directors	City Manager/Administrator
9	Responsibility for policy development	Council
10	Responsibility for budget preparation	Mayor proposes, council amends & approves, with intention to empower council in process
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Commissioner	Vote
Commissioner Candace Avalos	Yes
Commissioner Melanie Billings-Yun	Yes
Commissioner Anthony Castaneda	Yes
Commissioner David Chen	Yes
Commissioner Salomé Chimuku	Yes
Commissioner Gloria Cruz	Yes
Commissioner Dave Galat	Yes
Commissioner Yasmin Ibarra	Yes
Commissioner Brenda Ketah	Yes
Commissioner Debbie Kitchin	Yes

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Summary			
Yes	20		
No	0		





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