Charter Amendment Election November 6, 2012 Overview

March 20, 2012



2012 Charter Revision Committee

- CRC considered 3 Council Resolutions
- Final report submitted to Council Feb. 22, 2012
- 19 recommendations
 - 8 campaign finance recommendations
 - 4 personnel recommendations
 - 4 council administration recommendations
 - 1 Planning Commission recommendation
 - 1 initiative & referendum recommendation
 - 1 bond election recommendation



Recommendation Subjects Currently Addressed In Charter

- Council structure
- Switching Council seats
- Changing election month
- # of signatures for initiative and referendum
- 4 identified personnel issues (City Attorney, City Auditor, City Clerk, council staff)
- Fundraising after elections
- Increasing officeholder accounts to \$40,000
- Ex officio Planning Commission members
- Revenue bond elections



Recommendation Subjects Not Currently Addressed in Charter

- Independent redistricting commission
- Reporting contributions in last 9 days
- Disclosure of independent expenditures
- Campaign finance database
- Bundler information
- Lobbyist bundling limits
- Ethics Review Commission role



Items Not Addressed by CRC

Resolution items:

- Increase contribution limits
- Conform council vacancy language to state law
- Restate that run-off contributions may only be collected after general election day
- Establish petition submission deadline
- Conform election document retention schedule to state schedule
- Revise charter language regarding council meeting frequency and location
- Revise ordinance template to include effective date

Staff items:

Conform limited purpose annexation notice to state law



Going Forward: Council Options & Considerations

- Identify and prioritize items for staff to prepare. Options include:
 - Original Council Resolutions
 - Charter Revision Committee Recommendations
 - New items
 - Some variation/combination of the above
- Identify source document for change
 - Ordinance
 - Charter amendment
- Identify effective date



Calendar

- 1. March 20: Staff Presentation
- 2. April 3/5:
- 3. April 10/12:
- 4. April 24/26:
- 5. May 22/24:
- 6. June 5/7:
- 7. June 12/14:
- 8. June 26/28:
- 9. July 31/August 2:
- 10. August 14/16: [no action]

August 20: Legal Deadline To Call November 2012 Election



Questions

