



Legislation Details

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**Type:** Ordinance **Status:** Adopted

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**Title:** CHARTER LAW AMENDMENTS TO MOVE CITY ELECTIONS TO THE FALL OF EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS COINCIDING WITH STATEWIDE ELECTIONS, AND TO TRANSITION TO 4-YEAR CITY COMMISSION TERMS (B)

Ordinance No. 160876

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida; proposing an amendment to the Charter Laws of the City of Gainesville; amending Article II of the Charter Laws, entitled "City Commission", by requiring regular municipal elections to be held every other year in even-numbered years coinciding with statewide elections rather than every year, by changing the terms of office of the Mayor and City Commissioners from 3-year terms to 4-year terms, by providing transitional terms of office at specified lengths to achieve the changes; by specifying the commencement date of terms of office; providing for submission of the charter amendment to the voters for approval or disapproval at the November 6, 2018 election; approving the question to be placed on the ballot; providing that this charter amendment shall become effective if approved by the voters; providing directions to the codifier; providing directions to the clerk of the commission; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an immediate effective date.

**Sponsors:**

**Indexes:**

**Code sections:**

**Attachments:** 1. 160876 Memo to CCOM re Elector Qualifications\_20170608.pdf, 2. 160876\_Election Date Changes Proposal\_20170720.pdf, 3. 160876 - Proposed Charter Amendments.pdf, 4. 160876 - Proposed Charter Amendments Draft Ordinance.pdf, 5. 160876\_finalOrdinance\_20180104.pdf

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
1/4/2018	7	City Commission	Adopted on Final Reading (Ordinance)	Pass
12/7/2017	7	City Commission	Adopted on First Reading (Ordinance)	Pass
10/5/2017	6	City Commission	Approved, as shown above	Pass
8/17/2017	5	City Commission	Approved, as shown above	Pass
7/20/2017	4	City Commission	Approved, as shown above	Pass
6/8/2017	2	General Policy Committee	Approved, as shown above	Pass
3/16/2017	1	City Commission	Referred	Pass