

City of Gainesville

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Legislation Text

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Proposed Charter Amendment to Delete the Charter Office of the General Manager for Utilities, thus Transferring Administrative Authority over the City's Utility System to the City Manager (B)

The City Charter Review Commission discuss the draft charter amendment ordinance and receive public comment

This Charter amendment proposed by the City Charter Review Commission (the CCRC) would place the following ballot question on the November 3, 2020 general election ballot: "SHALL THE CITY CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ELIMINATE THE POSITION OF GENERAL MANAGER FOR UTILITIES FROM THE DESIGNATED CHARTER OFFICERS OF THE CITY, THUS TRANSFERRING ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY OVER THE CITY'S UTILITY SYSTEM TO THE CITY MANAGER, AS PROPOSED BY ORDINANCE NO. ______?" The draft ordinance is attached as back-up to this agenda item.

In order to be placed on the ballot, per 5.01(2) of the City Charter, the CCRC shall hold at least three public hearings that are a minimum of seven calendar days apart, on any proposed charter amendment(s). No charter amendment shall be submitted to the city electorate for adoption unless favorably voted upon by a majority of the entire membership of the CCRC. No later than six months prior to the November general election (in this case, by May 3, 2020), the CCRC shall deliver its proposed charter amendments to the city commission. The city commission may veto a proposed charter amendment by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the city commission. For all proposed amendments that are not vetoed, the city commission shall adopt an ordinance requesting the county supervisor of elections place those proposed amendments on the next November general election ballot. The clerk of the commission shall deliver the ordinance to the county supervisor of elections no later than four months prior to the November general election (in this case, by July 3, 2020.)

None.