

## **Proposal - Part G –Amendments and Charter Review**

**Proposal #13** – to amend section 200-1 to cause Council to review the Charter Review Commission’s written report five years after submission to Council to see if proposed amendments that did not go to the electors initially might go to the electors at the present time.

**Reason:** a second review of the Commission’s report five years after submission ensures that recommendations are not forgotten in between required Charter reviews.

### **§ 200-1 Charter Review Commission**

Not later than the first day of February in the year 2018 and of each succeeding tenth year thereafter, the Council shall provide for the selection of a Charter Review Commission and shall appropriate adequate funds for a comprehensive review of the existing Charter provisions.

The Charter Review Commission shall consist of fifteen electors of the City of Cleveland appointed or elected in the manner prescribed by ordinance.

Within thirty days after selection the members shall meet, choose a Chairman and Secretary, and adopt rules to govern the procedure of the Commission. The Commission may employ necessary assistants and professional services as it deems necessary, within the funds appropriated for this purpose.

Not later than one year after its organization the Charter Review Commission shall report to the Council proposed amendments to the Charter as the Commission determines to be necessary or desirable and a statement of the reasons for submitting the proposed amendments to the electors; or that no changes in the Charter are required or desired.

Upon receipt of the report of the Charter Review Commission setting forth any proposed amendment or amendments to the Charter, the Council shall determine by ordinance whether the proposed amendment or amendments shall be submitted to the electors of the City of Cleveland in the manner provided and governed by the provisions of Section 200 and in conformity with Section 9 of Article XVIII, of the Ohio Constitution.

Five years after the date a Charter Review Commission’s report is submitted to the Council, the Council shall review the proposed amendments that were not submitted to the electors to consider whether any of those proposed amendments might thereafter be submitted to the electors.

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**Proposal #14** – to amend section 200-1 to provide that the composition of the Charter Review Commission be fifteen electors of the City, with Council members making up no more than one-half of the Commission.

**Reason:** to ensure at least half of the Commission members involved in the Charter review process are regular citizens of the City and not members of Council.

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