Charter Review Committee Amendment Text

(Language stricken is deleted; underlined language is new.)

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12.30. Charter Review Committee.

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(1) There shall be convened a charter review committee for the purpose of making a comprehensive study of the Multnomah County home rule charter and, if the committee chooses, submitting to the people of Multnomah County amendments to the charter.

12.40. Appointment Of Committee Members.

- (2) The charter review committee shall be composed as follows:
- (1) The committee shall have two-four electors appointed from each senatorial commissioner district having the majority of its voters within Multnomah County, and shall have one elector appointed from each senatorial district having less than a majority of its voters within Multnomah County. The committee shall choose their chairperson leadership from among themselves and shall have authority to establish their own procedures and organization.
 - (23) The appointment of electors shall proceed as follows:
- (a) On January 1, 2021, and every six years thereafter, the Office of Citizen Involvement shall begin accepting applications for electors. The Office of Citizen Involvement shall administer the charter review committee application and evaluation process. The Office of Citizen Involvement shall take reasonable steps to inform engage the residents of Multnomah County with—of the purpose of informing them about the charter review committee and the opportunity to serve on the committee, and shall endeavor to produce a diverse pool of applicants. Only residents of Multnomah County are eligible to serve on the charter review committee.

- (b) On April 1, 2021, and every six years thereafter, the Office of Citizen Involvement shall deliver each application to the state senator who represents the applicant.
- (c) The state senator and the two state representatives who represent residents in each state senate district located in Multnomah County shall have until August 15, 2021, and every six years thereafter, to appoint the electors for the district. Before the charter review committee's first meeting, electors for each district shall be appointed by the chair of the board of commissioners with the approval of the board. The board shall endeavor to appoint a committee that represents the diverse communities in the county. Appointees shall reside in the district they are appointed to represent and Multnomah County. An appointee who moves between commissioner districts after appointment may continue to serve on the committee. If the three appointers from any senate district cannot agree upon an appointment, any two of the three appointers may make the appointment.
- (d) If two electors are appointed from a senate district, they shall not be registered in the same political party.
- (3) (c) The following persons are not eligible for appointment to the committee: the state senators and state representatives who represent districts located in Multnomah County, the members of the Multnomah County board of county commissioners, and the chair of the board, if any, serving at the time of appointment.
- (d) The Office of Citizen Involvement may fill vacancies on the committee.
- (4) The committee shall convene its' first meeting in <u>September 2021March 2027</u>, and every six years thereafter. The Office of Citizen Involvement shall convene <u>and staff</u> the meetings of the charter review committee.
- (5) The Office of Citizen Involvement shall work with the committee to include public education, outreach, and engagement that aligns with the county's equity and inclusion values as part of the committee process.
- (6) The Board of County Commissioners shall appropriate sufficient funds for the Office of Citizen Involvement to carry out its duties herein.

12.50. Scope Of Committee Review.

- (1) The committee shall commence study of the charter by all appropriate means including open hearings and meetings, the taking of testimony and interviewing witnesses.
- (2) The committee shall review the county charter and any issues relating thereto. The committee shall review the section 4.30 process for adjusting compensation for commissioners.

12.60. Report Of Committee.

At least 95 days prior to the primary or general election or both of 2004 and every six years thereafter, the committee shall report to the people and to the board of county commissioners their findings, conclusions, and recommendations including any amendments they propose to the county charter.

12.70. Submission Of Amendments To The People.

All amendments proposed by the committee shall be submitted to the people of Multnomah County at the 2004 and every six years thereafter primary or general election, or both.