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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

CM/DCM/ACM: Sara Hensley

DATE: December 3, 2024

SUBJECT

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Charter Review Committee recommendations.

BACKGROUND

The Denton City Charter was originally adopted in February 1959. Section 14-13 of the Charter states that amendments to the charter may be framed and submitted to the voters subject to requirements of the Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 9, and all other applicable laws. Since its original adoption, the charter was further amended in 1976, 1980, 1999, 2006, 2009, and 2017.

On June 4, 2024, the City Council approved Resolution 24-1158 to create the Charter Review Committee and issue the charges put forward by the Council. The Charter Review Committee held eight regular meetings between July and November to review and consider the charges. Each charge included consideration of a staff presentation, Committee discussion, and ultimately an official vote of the Committee to create the recommendations of the Committee to return to Council for consideration.

Staff will present the Committee's recommendations, proposed ballot language, and estimated financial impacts for Council to consider for placement on the ballot. Council's direction on the recommendations will inform the final ballot language and calling of the election through ordinance at the January 7 Council Meeting. Council Rules of Procedure states that ordinances submitting proposed Charter amendments be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Council.

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. Charter-Perfecting Amendments Summary
3. Charter Recommendations Financial Impact Estimates
4. Denton City Charter
5. Resolution 24-1158
6. Presentation

Respectfully submitted:
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