

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT NO. 4 – REQUIRING THE CITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT PROCEDURES FOR FILLING COUNCIL VACANCIES

This amendment to Section 2.08 would require that the City Council to adopt specific rules and procedures for filling council vacancies including provisions for public notice of such vacancies and that the interviews of applicants for the position be done in public.

Should this amendment to the Charter be enacted?

Yes

No

Full Text:

Section 2.08 Vacancies in Council: Vacancies in the city council shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the city council, but such appointee shall hold office only until the next regular general election, at which time a person shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. The city council shall adopt rules and procedures for filling council vacancies which shall include provisions for public notice of such vacancy and public interviews of the applicants selected for interview. In the event of the extended excused absence or disability of a councilmember, which shall include, without limitation, the period the mayor pro tempore serves as mayor in case of a vacancy in the office of mayor, the remaining members of the city council shall have the power to appoint a councilmember pro tempore to serve during the absence or disability.