



**TO:** T.C. Broadnax, City Manager  
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**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Appointing For and Against Committee Members – July 22, 2014  
**DATE:** July 17, 2014

**SUMMARY:**

A resolution appointing the following members to For and Against Committees for proposed amendments to the Tacoma City Charter:

Proposed Charter Amendment	For	Against
Resolution No. 38948 – Amendment No. 1 Election provisions	Terri Baker	Tom Stenger
Resolution No. 38949 – Amendment No. 2 Gender neutral language	Terri Baker	Tom Stenger
Resolution No. 38950 – Amendment No. 3 Anti-discrimination provisions	Terri Baker	N/A
Resolution No. 38951 – Amendment No. 4 Effective date of emergency ordinances	N/A	Tom Stenger
Amended Resolution No. 38952 – Amendment No. 5 City Council authority to confirm appointment of department heads	N/A	Terri Baker
Resolution No. 38953 – Amendment No. 6 City Council confirmation of the Director of Utilities	N/A	Mike Crowley Dawn Lucien Harold Moss
Amended Resolution No. 38954 – Amendment No. 7 Adding requirements for the Landmarks Preservation Commission	Sharon Winters	Terri Baker Tom Stenger
Amended Resolution No. 38955 – Amendment No. 8 Term limits for Mayor and Council	N/A	Sherry Bockwinkel Tom Stenger
Amended Resolution No. 38956 – Amendment No. 9 Citizen Commission on Elected Salaries	N/A	Sherry Bockwinkel Tom Stenger
Resolution No. 38957 – Amendment No. 10 Deleting prohibition of new cemeteries	Terri Baker	Tom Stenger
Resolution No. 38958 – Amendment No. 11 City employee participation in conservation, environmental, and other programs	N/A	N/A
Resolution No. 38959 – Amendment No. 12 Removing citizenship and City residency as requirements of eligibility for City employment	Terri Baker	Anita Latch

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

This item best aligns with the strategic priority policy related to encouraging and promoting an open, effective, results-oriented organization by allowing the voters of the City of Tacoma to choose how the Charter should be amended.



**BACKGROUND:**

On November 12, 2013 the City Council adopted Resolution No. 38773, creating a Charter Review Committee for the purpose of reviewing the existing Charter of the City of Tacoma. The Committee finished its review and submitted its recommendations to the City Council on May 6, 2014. The City Council reviewed the recommendations at a special meeting of the City Council on June 17, 2014, and advanced 12 amendments to the City Charter for consideration as resolutions at the regular City Council meeting on July 15, 2014.

At the July 15, 2014 City Council meeting, Resolution Nos. 38948, 38949, 38950, 38951, 38953, 38957, 38958 and 38959; and Amended Resolution Nos. 38952, 38954, 38955, and 38956 were adopted for submission to the voters of the City of Tacoma at the special municipal election to be held on November 4, 2014. Per RCW 29A.32.280, for each measure from a unit of local government that is included in a local voters' pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall, not later than forty-five days before the publication of the pamphlet, formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' approval of the measure and shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the measure.

At the July 16, 2014 meeting, the Government Performance and Finance Committee recommended the appointment of the individuals listed above to the For and Against Committees for proposed amendments to the Tacoma City Charter.

**ISSUE:**

Members must be appointed to serve on For and Against Committees for proposed amendments to the Tacoma City Charter.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

If Council does not adopt the resolution, the City will not comply with RCW 29A.32.280.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests the City Council appoint members to serve on For and Against Committees for proposed amendments to the Tacoma City Charter.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.