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**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Accepting the final 2014 Charter Review Recommendations – May 6, 2014.  
**DATE:** April 24, 2014

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**SUMMARY:**

A Resolution accepting the recommendations and final report of the 2014 Charter Review Committee.

The documents that will be used for the final report are available for review at the following link:  
[www.cityoftacoma.org/charterreview](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/charterreview)

The 2014 Charter Review Committee (“Committee”) was convened by the City Council to commence a comprehensive review of the City Charter and make recommendations for changes as it deems necessary and proper to improve the mode and manner of operation and efficiency in conducting the affairs of the City. This Resolution accepts the 2014 Charter Review Committee’s final report.

**COUNCIL SPONSORS:**

N/A

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

State and briefly explain which strategic policy priority is best aligned to this action. Please remove the statements below you are not directly addressing.

- Encourage and promote an open, effective, results-oriented organization.

**BACKGROUND:**

On November 12, 2013, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 38773, which created a Charter Review committee, consisting of 15 persons. The Mayor and each City Council member recommended one person for appointment to the Committee and the Government Performance and Finance Committee recommended the appointment of six persons. The Charter Review Committee and its five subcommittees met a total of approximately 59 times to complete its work, from January to April 2014.

**ISSUE:**

Resolution No. 38773 states that the Charter Review Committee shall submit its recommendations and findings to the City Council on or before May 6, 2014, so that adequate and appropriate provisions can be made in advance of the general election in November 2014.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

There is no requirement that the City Council formally accept the Charter Review Committee’s recommendations and final report by Resolution.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt this Resolution to accept the recommendations and final report of the 2014 Charter Review Committee Report and complete the work of the 2014 Charter Review Committee.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.