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SUBJECT: Consideration and recommendation of volunteers to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees for Proposed Charter Amendment Nos. 1 through 6 – July 29, 2024
DATE: July 22, 2024

PRESENTATION TYPE:

Request for Resolution

SUMMARY:

The Government Performance and Finance Committee will review and may recommend volunteers to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees that will prepare statements “for” or “against” propositions concerning Charter amendments which will appear in the Voters’ Pamphlet for the November 5, 2024, General Election. Below is a list of the proposed amendments:

- Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1 - Providing for Equitable Access
21, 22, and C6 – Resolution No. 41476
- Proposed Charter Amendment No. 2 - Required Meetings of the City Council
C1B – Resolution No. 41477
- Proposed Charter Amendment No. 3 - Limitations Upon Sale or Transfer of Waterfront Property
C4B – Resolution No. 41479
- Proposed Charter Amendment No. 4 - Duties and Authority of Council Members
7B – Resolution No. 41474
- Proposed Charter Amendment No. 5 - Composition of the Planning Commission
14B – Resolution No. 41475
- Proposed Charter Amendment No. 6 - Changing Term Limits for Future Elected Council Members
2C – Resolution No. 41473

BACKGROUND:

The Government Performance and Finance Committee will consider letters of interest at their special meeting scheduled on Monday, July 29, 2024, and may provide recommendations. The names of the individuals recommended for appointment will be considered by Resolution at the City Council meeting of Tuesday, July 30, 2024.

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 the resolution deadline, 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.



ISSUE:

Individuals need to be appointed to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees and submitted to the Pierce County Auditor by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6, 2024.

ALTERNATIVES:

If the City fails to appoint “For” and “Against” Committees by the deadline, the Pierce County Auditor’s Office will seek out and, whenever possible, appoint up to three members to each committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests the Government Performance and Finance Committee recommend individuals to serve on “For” and “Against” Committees to prepare statements “for” or “against” proposed Charter amendments.