

Charter Review Committee Proposed Amendment

VERSION B

ARTICLE III; SECTION 3.2

COUNCIL-MANAGER RELATIONSHIPS

Original Amendment

Section 3.2 – The Manager shall be responsible to the Council for the administration of all units of the City government under the Manager’s jurisdiction. ~~Except for the purpose of inquiry, the Council and its members shall deal with administrative officers and employees under jurisdiction of the Manager solely through the Manager.~~ Neither the Council nor any member thereof shall give orders to the Manager’s subordinates or otherwise interfere with managerial functions through such means as directing or requesting the appointment or removal of any of the Manager’s subordinates, or the making of particular purchases from or contracts with any specific individual or organization. Outside of these prohibitions, the Council is permitted to make direct inquiries of and receive relevant and timely information from staff for the purposes of the formation of budget and policy. The Manager shall have the right to attend all meetings of the Council and to take part in the discussion of matters coming before the Council, but not the right to vote.

The following proposal is based upon council conversations at the special meeting on May 17, 2024:

NEW AMENDMENT

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