



## RESOLUTION NO.

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the City Charter Review; creating a Charter Review  
2 Committee, consisting of XX persons, for the purpose of reviewing the  
3 existing Charter of the City of Tacoma and making such recommendations to  
4 the City Council for charter amendments as the committee may deem  
5 necessary and proper to improve the mode and manner of operation and  
6 efficiency in conducting the affairs of the City.

7 WHEREAS the existing City Charter was adopted in 1953, and, pursuant to  
8 Section 2.25 of the City Charter, the City Council shall commence a comprehensive  
9 review of the City Charter, no less frequently than once every ten years, by  
10 appointing citizens to a Charter Review Committee, and

11 WHEREAS the City Charter has not been reviewed in its entirety by  
12 representative citizens of the City since 2014, and

13 WHEREAS it is necessary to create the Charter Review Committee in order  
14 to solicit applications and allow for the appointment of committee members, and

15 WHEREAS committee meetings will commence in January 2024, and

16 WHEREAS the City Council believes that the study of the existing Charter  
17 should be a deliberate, thoughtful, and inclusive process; Now, Therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

19 Section 1. That there is hereby created a Charter Review Committee  
20 (Committee) consisting of XX citizens of the City of Tacoma, to be appointed by  
21 the City Council in the following manner: The Mayor and each City Council  
22 member shall nominate one person for appointment to the Committee for a total of  
23 9 nominations; the Government Performance and Finance Committee shall  
24 recommend to the City Council the appointment of XX persons to the committee,  
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to reflect *(a cross section of the citizens of the City)* or *(knowledge, expertise or experience in one or more of the following categories: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_;)* the chairperson of the Committee shall be selected by the Mayor; each person applying for appointment shall confirm that she or he is a resident of the City of Tacoma and \_\_\_\_\_ *(additional qualifications, e.g. registered voter, years of residency in Tacoma, et. cetera).*

Section 2. That the duty of the Committee shall be to review the existing Charter of the City of Tacoma and make such recommendations for change as the Committee may deem necessary and proper in order to amend the provisions of the existing City Charter with reference to improving the mode and manner of operation and efficiency in conducting the affairs of the City.

Section 3. That the City Council requests that the Committee consider the following topics within its scope of review and reserves the right to request additional topics and provide guidelines to the Committee with reference to the scope of the Committee's review.

Section 4. That the Committee shall submit its recommendations and findings to the City Council on or before XXXX XX 2024, so that adequate and appropriate provisions can be made for the holding of a special municipal election in November 2024, in the event that the City Council determines that recommendations for revisions or changes should be submitted to the electorate.



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Section 5. That the City Council does hereby express its intent that the members of said committee will be appointed in January 2024, and that said members shall thereafter serve until such time as the final reports and recommendations are made on or before XXXXX XX, 2024, at which time said committee shall be dissolved without further action of the City Council.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Approved as to form:  
  
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City Attorney