



# STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** May 14, 2024

**TITLE:**

Consider and act to approve the recommendations by the Charter Review Committee and any additional requests by Council.

**AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:**

Submitted by: Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

The City of Bastrop became a Home Rule City in 2002. The Charter was last amended in 2016. The current Charter Review Commission was created by Ordinance 2024-18 on July 9, 2024. By ordinance, the Commission was created as a temporary, ad hoc advisory group, with the limited purpose of recommending to the City Council what (if any) modifications should be presented to Bastrop voters as amendments to the Charter. The Commission included members with very substantial experience in city business, including two former mayors, a former city attorney, and individuals with years of service on various city boards and commissions.

See attached Final Report from the City's Attorney Office labeled Attachment 1 - Final Report included in this staff report as an attachment for the list of recommendations and text to be included in a revised Charter after a successful election.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Approximately \$25,000 for a shared election expense.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Direct staff to prepare an ordinance considering the charter amendments recommended by the Charter Review Committee and prepare for a November 2024 election.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Final Report.
2. Draft Minutes
3. Proposed Ordinance 2024-18