CITY OF BELLE SLE, FLORIDA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: August 19, 2025

<u>To:</u> Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: Rick J. Rudometkin, City Manager

Subject: Potential Charter Amendment – Going from 7 to 5 commissioners

Background:

Belle Isle has a city council with all the legislative powers of the city vested therein. The city council may, by ordinance or resolution, prescribe the manner in which any power of the city shall be exercised. The council currently has 7 voting members and a non-voting mayor.

There has been an interest in considering reducing the number of voting members from 7 to 5 and either a voting or non-voting mayor.

Some steps may include;

- Amending the City Charter or local ordinances.
- Emphasize transparency, seeking public input or voter approval, depending on the nature of the changes.
- Consult with legal counsel to ensure compliance with Florida law and local codes.
- Redistricting, Internal Costs, and Advertising

Staff Recommendation: None at this time

Suggested Motion:

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Alternatives: Leave it as is

Fiscal Impact: There will be cost increases

Attachments:

Draft Charter Amendment Language