

## CITY COMMISSION ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION

Ordinance 22-8 (Commission) TITLE:

**DESCRIPTION:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, SUBMITTING TO REFERENDUM AN AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY AT ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "LEGISLATIVE;" AND IN PARTICULAR AMENDING SECTION 3.01 ENTITLED "CITY COMMISSION, POWERS AND COMPOSITION"; AMENDING SECTION 3.02, ENTITLED "QUALIFICATIONS, ELECTIONS AND TERMS;" DELETING SECTION 3.03, ENTITLED "ELECTION DISTRICTS," IN ITS ENTIRETY; AMENDING SECTION 3.07, ENTITLED "FILING FEES AND NOTICE OF CANDIDACY;" PROVIDING FOR THE ELIMINATION OF SINGLE-MEMBER COMMISSION DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, COMMENCING WITH THE NOVEMBER 2024 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE POSITIONS COMMISSIONER 3 AND COMMISSIONER 4, WHICH SHALL BE ELECTED AT LARGE AT THE NOVEMBER 2024 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION, ALONG WITH AN AT LARGE ELECTED MAYOR; PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE POSITIONS COMMISSIONER 1 AND COMMISSIONER 2, WHICH SHALL BE ELECTED AT LARGE AT THE NOVEMBER 2026 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE, WHEN ADOPTED, SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT AND IT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE AS PROVIDED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR THE ADVERTISING OF THE REFERENDUM ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Motion to approve submitting to a referendum an amendment to the Charter to eliminate Election Districts in its entirety.

## **BACKGROUND OF ITEM:**

At the April 12, 2022, Commission Meeting, the City Commission approved having an ordinance drafted to eliminate the election districts. If passed on 1st reading, the ordinance will be heard on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading on May 10<sup>th,</sup> 2022, during a Regular Commission meeting. The ordinance with ballot language will then be forwarded to the Supervisor of Elections for inclusion on the November 2022 general election ballot.

The proposed ballot language shall read as follows:

Shall the Cooper City Charter be amended to provide for the elimination of single-member commission districts and the establishment of four (4) commission seats elected at-large, along with an at-large elected mayor; commencing in November 2024 with the positions of Commissioner 3, Commissioner 4 and the mayor elected at-large, and in November 2026 with the positions of Commissioner 1 and Commissioner 2 elected at-large?

This proposed Charter amendment will have no financial impact to the City.

YES ? NO ?

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Ordinance 22-8
- 2. Section 3.01 City's Charter

Workflow History			
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Allen, Tedra	NEW ITEM: Not Yet Routed	*COMPLETE: Forwar	04/20/22 11:25 AM
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Napoli, Joseph	Assigned to City Manager	COMPLETE: Forwar	04/20/22 02:06 PM
Allen, Tedra	Assigned to City Clerk	APPROVE ITEM: En	04/20/22 03:13 PM
Allen, Tedra	END WORKFLOW - APPROV		04/20/22 03:23 PM