



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

CHARTER REVIEW

JUNE 13, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

Cover Sheet

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ITEM TITLE: First Charter Review Meeting

COUNCIL ACTION:

COUNCIL DISCUSSION	YES	Department: LEGISLATIVE
CONSENT AGENDA		Exhibits: • Charter Review Memo (Town Attorney)
NEW BUSINESS		
ADMINISTRATIVE		

REQUEST: The request is for the Town Council to review for document changes the Town Charter as part of a rigorous Charter Review under the guidance of the Town Attorney.

SUMMARY: We the people of the historic Town of Eatonville, Florida, the Oldest Incorporated Black Municipality in the United States, under the constitution and laws of the State of Florida, in order to provide the benefits of local government responsive to the will and values of our citizens, do hereby adopt this Charter to define the powers and structure of our government. By this action we enable our government to provide services and meet the needs of the people efficiently; allow fair and equitable participation of all residents in the affairs of the Town; provide for transparency, accountability, and ethics in governance; foster fiscal responsibility; promote prosperity and advance the quality of life; and, preserve our unique history for generations to come.

The Town shall have all powers possible for a Municipality to have under the constitution and Laws of the state of Florida as fully and completely as though they were specifically enumerated in this Charter. The Town of Eatonville is a Municipal Corporation with a Mayor-Council form of Government.

The Town Charter was last adopted in 2016 and the Town Council seeks a Charter Review. According to the Charter, Sec. 6.02. there shall be a periodic review of this Charter by a Charter review advisory committee appointed by the Town Council in 2024 and every eight (8) years thereafter. The Town of Eatonville is within the timeframe of a Charter Review.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommendation is for Town Council to review for document changes the Town Charter.

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: N/A