

STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: November 18, 2025

DEPARTMENT: City Attorney/City Clerk

TITLE:

Ordinance No. 2025-21 – Second Reading – calling for referendum to amend Charter regarding lease terms east of A1A

SUMMARY:

The Ordinance calls for referendum to amend provisions in the Charter to allow longer lease terms for City-owned property east of A1A.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

Article II, Section 3 prohibits City-owned property east of the A1A roadway from being declared surplus, sold, hypothecated, conveyed or leased, except for a period of less than 30 years, without an affirmative vote of the City electors through referendum. This limit on lease terms may be prohibitive to investment and redevelopment in the City.

According to Florida Statute 166.031, amendments to a municipality's charter must be submitted to its electors. A referendum question is needed to amend this Section of the Charter to allow for longer lease terms. The Ordinance was approved by a vote of 4-1 at the November 4, 2025 regular meeting.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Ordinance 2025-21 calling for referendum to amend Charter regarding lease terms east of A1A.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Ordinance 2025-21
Charter – property East of A1A