EXECUTIVE BRIEF REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: November 2, 2021 DEPARTMENT: City Commission

TITLE:

Ordinance No. 2021-20 – First Reading – Ballot language for setting term limits of two consecutive terms for a given seat by referendum on March 8, 2022

SUMMARY:

The ordinance provides a referendum question for the March 8, 2022, General Election to set term limits of two consecutive terms for a given seat.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Charter Review Committee submitted recommendations to the City Commission regarding changes to the City's Charter at the October 5, 2021 regular meeting. The first recommendation was to have term limits of two consecutive terms for a given seat (terms are three years). Should the referendum pass, a Commissioner or the Mayor could only serve for six years and would not be able run again for the same seat in the next election. However, a Commissioner or Mayor could run for a different seat or run again for the same seat after a break.

The Commission gave consensus to move forward with a ballot question regarding term limits at the October 19, 2021 regular meeting. Term limits are not currently addressed in the Charter.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Ordinance 2021-20 on first reading and set the second reading and public hearing for November 16, 2021.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Fiscal Impact Analysis – N/A Ordinance 2021-20