COMMITTEE REPORT



REPORT TYPE:	Charter Review Committee
MEETING:	July 18, 2023
Present:	Lonn Reisman, char; LeAnn Durfey; Bob Newby; David Baskett
Absent:	None
DEPARTMENT:	City Administration
STAFF CONTACT:	Sarah Lockenour

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 2023 SPECIAL ELECTION

Lonn Reisman presented this item at the June 6, 2023, Regular Council meeting. The Charter Review Committee recommended the following:

1- Amend Article III, Sections 1, 5, 7 and 9 and Article VIII, Section 8 of the City Charter of the City of Stephenville to reduce the number of City Council Members from eight to six change the number required for a quorum from six (6) to four (4); and authorize the existing Stephenville City Council to adopt rules of transition.

MOTION by David Baskett, second by Maddie Smith, to amend Article III, Sections 1,5,7 and 9 and Article VIII, Section 8 of the City Charter of the City of Stephenville reducing the City Council Members from eight to six and change the number required for a quorum from six to four; and to place on the November 2023 ballot. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Lonn Reisman presented this item at the July 18, 2023, Charter Review Committee meeting. The Charter Review Committee recommended the following:

2- Amend Article III, Sections 5 and 10 of the City Charter of the City of Stephenville to increase the number of terms candidates seeking public office can hold by changing the existing term of office for all City of Stephenville Council Members from two (2), two-year terms to three (3), two-year terms or two, three-year terms for a maximum total time in office of six (6) years.

MOTION by Lonn Reisman, second by David Baskett, to amend the Charter as presented changing the term limits from two (2), three (3) year terms to three (3), two (2) year terms for a maximum total time in office of six (6) years; and to place on the November 2023 ballot. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.