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July 12, 2006

To:

Mayor and Members of the Charter Amendment Committee

From:

Larry Herrera, City Clerk

Subject:

July 11, 2006 Charter Amendment Committee Meeting Synopsis

This is summary of the consensus reached by the Charter Amendment Committee on July 11 relative to potential November 6, 2006, ballot measures.

## I. Consensus on Potential November 6 Ballot Measures

- A. Obsolete Sections --Deletion of tax levies relating to recreation, library, transportation and the Municipal Band and provisions relating to non-existent financial activities and Department of public utilities
- B. Revision of term limits to allow serving three terms
- C. Strengthening of elective office residency requirement
- D. Allowing successful Primary Election write-in candidates to be treated as listed candidates on any run-off election ballot

## II. Committee Request for More Information

Staff was requested to provide more information on the following:

- A. Creation of an Independent Reapportionment Commission to revise district lines based on the Decennial United States Census
- B. Creation of an Independent Compensation Commission to set salaries for City Officers\*
- C. Deletion of City Prosecutor duties regarding Civil Service Commission (City Prosecutor)
- Change of election cycles to odd-numbered calendar years or move April Primary Election to February in even-numbered years (City Clerk)

## III. Ballot Issues

The committee also requested that the City Manager report back on August 1, 2006, with feedback from community meetings related to a potential public safety ballot measure.

At the conclusion of this meeting, the Committee agreed to request Mayor-Elect Bob Foster to convene on August 1, 2006. The deadline for submittal of resolutions calling for a Special citywide election in November 2006 is August 8, 2006.