

**AMENDMENTS APPROVED BY THE
2008 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
TO HAVE BALLOT LANGUAGE PREPARED IN DRAFT FORM**

QUESTION #1

A. Introduction: This section of the Final Report regarding Question #1 pertains to the Charter Review Commission's decision to place a question on the ballot that would require all future Charter Review Commissions to include in their reports to the Board of County Commissioners an analysis and financial impact statement of the estimated revenues or costs to the county or local governments, or citizens of the proposed amendments or revisions.

B. Ballot Proposal: The ballot title and question for Question #1 are as follows:

**AMENDMENT REQUIRING FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENTS FOR
AMENDMENTS OR REVISIONS PROPOSED BY THE
CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
(15 words)**

Shall the Orange County Charter be revised to require that all future Charter Review Commissions include, in their reports to the Board of County Commissioners, an analysis and financial impact statement of the estimated increase or decrease in any revenues or costs to county or local governments and the citizens resulting from the proposed amendments or revisions and that a summary of such analysis be included on the ballot? (69 words)

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C. Text Revisions: Section 702 of the Orange County Charter is amended to read as follows:

Section 702. Charter Review Commission.

A. A Charter Review Commission shall be appointed by the board. The Charter Review Commission shall consist of not less than eleven (11) members and not more than fifteen (15) members. All members of the Charter Review Commission shall be electors of the County. No elected official shall be appointed as a member of the Charter Review Commission.

B. The Charter Review Commission shall be empowered to conduct a comprehensive study of any or all phases of County Government. The Charter Review Commission shall be appointed no later than February 1, of the year prior

to a Presidential election year and shall adjourn sine die no later than the Monday following that election. A Charter Review Commission will be appointed on a four year cycle. A Charter Review Commission may, during its term, place proposed amendments and revisions of the Charter on the ballot at general elections only, ~~provided~~ ~~providing~~ a report of the proposed changes has been delivered to the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners at least 60 days prior to the election. The report shall include an analysis and financial impact statement of the estimated increase or decrease in any revenues or costs to the county or local governments or to the citizens resulting from the proposed amendments or revisions. The Charter Review Commission shall request that the Orange County Comptroller or another similar governmental entity or agency prepare such an analysis. The Charter Review Commission shall include a summary of the analysis or financial impact statement on the ballot language for any proposed changes to the Charter. Such amendments or revisions do not require the approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

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C. The Charter Review Commission shall hold no less than four (4) public hearings prior to presenting proposed Charter revisions and amendments to the public.

D. The Charter Review Commission shall create and elect appropriate officers as it deems necessary and proper for the orderly conduct of its specific duties.

E. The Board shall defray any reasonable expenses of the Charter Review Commission.

QUESTION #2

A. Introduction: This section of the Final Report regarding Question #2 pertains to the Charter Review Commission's decision to place a question on the ballot concerning whether to change the composition and selection process of future Charter Review Commissions to broaden citizen participation in the Charter Review Commission process.

B. Ballot Proposal: The ballot title and question for Question #2 are as follows:

AMENDMENT BROADENING AND DIVERSIFYING THE COMPOSITION AND SELECTION PROCESS FOR CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION MEMBERS (14 words)

Shall the Orange County Charter be revised to provide that members of future Charter Review Commissions may include nominees from established and recognized non-profit, civic, and business association entities and such

nominees shall be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration and appointment to the Charter Review Commission? (50 words)

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C. Text Revisions: Section 702 of the Orange County Charter is amended to read as follows:

Section 702. Charter Review Commission.

A. ~~A Charter Review Commission shall be appointed by the board. The Charter Review Commission shall consist of not less than eleven (11) members and not more than fifteen (15) members. All members of the Charter Review Commission shall be electors of the County. No elected official shall be appointed as a member of the Charter Review Commission.~~ A Charter Review Commission, consisting of not less than eleven and no more than fifteen members, shall be appointed as follows:

(i) Each County Commissioner shall be entitled to appoint one member, at large, and the Mayor shall be entitled to appoint two members, at large, subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

(ii) In addition, each County Commissioner and the Mayor may appoint one member from a select list of interested individuals compiled in the following manner:

(a) Established and recognized non-profit, civic, and business association groups or entities (each an "Interested Entity"), doing business or operating in Orange County, such as the Chief Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, County Watch, the Florida League of Cities, the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Metro Orlando, the League of Women Voters of Orange County, the Metropolitan Orlando Urban League, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties, and the Orlando Regional Chamber of Commerce, may identify one person to serve as the Interested Entity's nominee.

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(b) In addition, individuals not affiliated with an Interested Entity, but interested in serving on the Charter Review Commission, may apply by completing an Advisory Board Application for Appointment (or similar form).

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(c) The nominee names shall be submitted by any Interested Entity or by an individual to the County Administrator or his or her

designee on or before January 2 of the year prior to the presidential election year. A nominee submitted by an Interested Entity may be asked to complete an interest form or an Advisory Board Application for Appointment (or similar form) as designated by the Board of County Commissioners.

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(d) If less than seven nominee names are identified in this process, then the members of the Charter Review Commission shall be selected by each Commissioner in reverse order of seniority, until the list is exhausted. The Mayor may choose his or her appointee from the list first, and all selected individuals shall be approved by the Board. Any Commissioner who does not have the opportunity to select from the list may nominate another individual, at large, to be approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

(e) Reasonable notice of the application process shall be made available on Orange County's website and through any other reasonable means provided by Orange County to its citizens of similar appointments.

All members of the Charter Review Commission shall be electors of Orange County. No elected official shall be appointed as a member of the Charter Review Commission.

B. The Charter review commission shall be empowered to conduct a comprehensive study of any or all phases of county government. The Charter review commission shall be appointed no later than February 1, of the year prior to a presidential election year and shall adjourn sine die no later than the Monday following that election. A Charter review commission will be appointed on a four-year cycle. A Charter review commission may, during its term, place proposed amendments and revisions of the Charter on the ballot at general elections only, providing a report of the proposed changes has been delivered to the clerk of the board of county commissioners at least sixty (60) days prior to the election. Such amendments or revisions do not require the approval of the board of county commissioners.

C. The Charter Review Commission shall hold no less than four (4) public hearings prior to presenting proposed Charter revisions and amendments to the public.

D. The Charter Review Commission shall create and elect appropriate officers as it deems necessary and proper for the orderly conduct of its specific duties.

E. The Board shall defray any reasonable expenses of the Charter Review Commission.

