



## CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

TO: Members of Troy City Council

FROM: John Szerlag, City Manager  
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SUBJECT: City Charter Amendments

### Background:

- City Council approved six charter amendment ballot questions, which were submitted to the Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and Oakland County Clerk, prior to the filing deadline of August 25, 2009.
- Subsequently, the Attorney General's Office has reviewed the proposed charter amendment ballot questions, and has requested minor modification to the proposals. Modifications do not substantively change the approved ballot questions.
- The Attorney General's Office has required a format change to include the charter language, if approved by the voters. Therefore, since City Council's original motion approved the ballot language as to form, Council will need to take action on these non-substantive revisions.
- The Attorney General's Office has indicated that City Council can approve all six ballot questions as an attachment, therefore requiring only one motion to approve all six ballot questions for placement on the November 3, 2009 General Election.
- Due to the lateness of the communication from the Attorney General's Office, the proposed ballot questions, as revised by the Attorney General's Office, will be submitted in a separate delivery on Friday, August 28, 2009. This allowed for State approval prior to submitting the revisions in the agenda packet. It is anticipated that the State will not require further amendments to the proposed ballot questions.

### Suggested Resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Troy City Council hereby **APPROVES** as to form the six ballot questions, as set forth in the attached document, for placement on the November 3, 2009 General Election Ballot, with a copy to be **ATTACHED** to the Original Minutes and **DIRECTS** the City Clerk to forward this Resolution, with attachments, to the Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, and Oakland County Clerk.