

Charter Review Committee

May 8, 2026

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Referendum 1: Moving Elections to November

- **Yes: 66.07%**, No: 33.93% (8,779 votes)
- April 2027 election → November 2026
- April 2029 election → November 2028
- November 3, 2026
- Qualifying: June 8- June 12, 2026
- Run-Off Election: December 1, 2026
- Swearing-in December 4, 2026

Referendum 1 continued:

- Changes to Chapter 18 "Elections"
 - Canvassing Board
 - Vacancy qualifications
 - Swearing- in Dates
- Potential Code amendments?
 - Board and Committee terms

Referendum 2: Moving election dates via Ordinance

- **Yes: 62.54%**, No: 37.46%
- 8,732 votes

Referendum 3: Removing board members prior to expiration of terms

- Yes: 39.30%, **No: 60.70%**
- 8,736 votes

Referendum 4: Requiring decennial review of City Charter

- **Yes: 66.38%**, No: 33.62%
- 8,715 votes
- Amendment to the City Code to add Charter Review Committee consistent with the approved Charter amendment.

Referendum 5: Inspector General Services

- **Yes: 68.86%**, No: 31.14%
- 8,648 votes
- Appointment, term, functions, authority and powers to be established via Ordinance.

Referendum 6: Commission salaries

- **Yes: 77.84%**, No: 22.16%
- 8,654 votes
- Amendment to Section 2-29 "Compensation of mayor, commissioners, travel allowance, office expense" to require referendum.

Referendum 7: Elimination of Run-Off

- Yes: 33.65%, **No: 66.35%**
- 8,633 votes

Referendum 8: Fund Reserve Policy

- **Yes: 63.00%**, No: 37.00%
- 8,594 votes
- Amendment to Section 2-352 "Fund balance and reserve policy" to require referendum for certain amendments to the fund reserve policy, consistent with the Charter amendment.

Additional issues to discuss

- Qualifications for office: 1 year immediately prior, Section 3 of the City Charter.
- Initiative and referendum sections to be reviewed and finalized
- Estimated revenues, to be enacted via Ordinance.
- Public Works Contracts- Amending Section 24 of the Charter to increase formal solicitation threshold to consistent with state law.
- Budget transparency, to review further.
- July deadline for November 2026 ballot