



Legislation Text

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City Council Meeting Date: November 20, 2018

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Ben Martig, City Administrator

Public Hearing for Proposed Charter Amendment to Section 3.8 Subd. 2.

Action Requested:

The Northfield City Council is asked to hold a public hearing for the proposed Charter Amendment to Section 3.8, Subd. 2 proposed by the Charter Commission.

Summary Report:

The Northfield Charter Commission adopted the attached proposed changes to Northfield Charter Section 3.8, Subd. 2 at their September 27, 2018 meeting (attachment 1). Charter Commission Chair Lance Heisler submitted the attached amendment to the City Clerk on October 8, 2018 and requested to begin the process for presentation of the proposed amendment to the City Council. This was the “option 2” at the Council joint work session with the Charter Commission that was discussed in detail. Mr. Heisler will be at the meeting to present the proposed amendments during the public hearing.

The publication deadline for the public hearing notice was not met to have the public hearing on the November 13, 2018 meeting. A revised public hearing notice (attachment 2) was published in the Northfield News on November 7. A revised timeline is noted below.

Charter amendments require a unanimous vote of all seven members of the City Council to pass. If all seven members are not going to be present for the December 4 and December 11 (if the first reading passes), we will need to look at adding a special meeting.

City Administrator Martig will present the proposed amendment at the meeting. Additionally, Charter Commission Chair Heisler also will attend at the meeting.

Alternative Options:

N/A

Financial Impacts:

N/A

Tentative Timelines:

November 20, 2018 - Public Hearing

December 4, 2018 - First Reading of Ordinance

December 11, 2018 - Second Reading of Ordinance (if first reading is adopted unanimously by all 7 City Council members)

December 19, 2018 - Ordinance Publication (if second reading is adopted unanimously by all 7 City Council members)

March 19, 2019 - Ordinance effective date (90 days after publication)