

North Canton City Council  
Ordinance and Rules Committee

ORDINANCE 52 - 2022

An ordinance to submit to the electors of the City of North Canton a Charter amendment for the purpose of permitting Council to call Charter Review Commissions more frequently than every ten years.

WHEREAS, the North Canton Charter Advisory Board recommended the adoption of the proposed amendment unanimously at their meeting on April 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, a two-thirds majority of the seated members of City Council have voted in favor of submitting the proposed amendment to the electors of the City of North Canton for consideration; and

WHEREAS, items of pressing concern may cause Council to desire to call a citizen review of the Charter of the City of North Canton more frequently than every ten years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH CANTON, COUNTY OF STARK, AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the following ballot language be, and is hereby, certified to the Stark County Board of Elections for Consideration at the general election to be held on November 8, 2022.

**PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT  
CITY OF NORTH CANTON**

A proposed amendment to the Charter of the City of North Canton, specifically Article VI, Section 6.04, Charter Review, to amend the frequency in which Charter Reviews can be called.

The Charter of the City of North Canton, specifically Article VI, Section 6.04, Charter Review, shall be amended from *"In January, 1967, and in January of each tenth year thereafter, the Council shall appoint a commission of fifteen (15) electors of the municipality who hold no other municipal elective or appointive office, except on advisory bodies of the municipality, as members of a Charter Review Commission. The commission shall appoint a chairperson, vice chairperson, and a secretary. Such commission shall review the Municipal Charter, and within five (5) calendar months after such appointment, recommend to Council such alterations, revisions, and amendments, if any, to this Charter, as in the judgment of the Charter Review Commission are desirable by the majority vote of the Commission members. The Council shall cause the recommendations of the Charter Review Commission to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality on two successive weeks, and Council shall hold a public hearing on such recommendations within one week after the second publication thereof. Meetings of the Charter Review Commission shall be public meetings."* to read as follows:

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