

PROPOSED ARTICLE III, THE MAYOR

Section 3.04 Executive & Administrative Powers

Section 3.07 Vacancy

Present Charter	Proposed Charter	Reasoning
<p>ARTICLE III THE MAYOR</p> <p>SECTION 3.04 EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS.</p> <p>The executive and administrative powers of the Municipality shall be vested in the Mayor, directors of departments, and other administrative officers and boards provided for in this Charter or by ordinance. The Mayor shall be recognized as the chief executive and the official and ceremonial head. The Mayor shall function as the chief conservator of the peace, to see that all laws, resolutions and ordinances are enforced. The Mayor should attend all meetings of Council with the right to participate in debate, but not to vote. The Mayor shall appoint and shall have the power to remove:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) All department heads.(b) The Mayor's appointees to boards and commissions.(c) Any other employees as otherwise provided in this Charter or whose positions may be created by Council and for whose appointment the Mayor shall be responsible. <p>The Mayor shall appoint or delegate to the heads of departments, appointments of municipal employees, subject to the provisions of this Charter, any applicable collective bargaining agreements and any applicable Civil Service regulations adopted in accordance with this Charter. The Mayor may, without notice, cause the affairs of any department or the conduct of any employee to be examined. Except</p>	<p>ARTICLE III THE MAYOR</p> <p>SECTION 3.04 EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS.</p> <p>The executive and administrative powers of the Municipality shall be vested in the Mayor, directors of departments, and other administrative officers and boards provided for in this Charter or by ordinance. The Mayor shall be recognized as the chief executive and the official and ceremonial head. The Mayor shall function as the chief conservator of the peace, to see that all laws, resolutions and ordinances are enforced. The Mayor should attend all meetings of Council with the right to participate in debate, but not to vote. The Mayor shall appoint and shall have the power to remove:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) All department heads.(b) The Mayor's appointees to boards and commissions.(c) Any other employees as otherwise provided in this Charter or whose positions may be created by Council and for whose appointment the Mayor shall be responsible. <p>The Mayor shall appoint or delegate to the heads of departments, appointments of municipal employees, subject to the provisions of this Charter, any applicable collective bargaining agreements and any applicable Civil Service regulations adopted in accordance with this Charter. The Mayor may, without notice, cause the affairs of any department or the conduct of any employee to be examined.</p>	<p>ARTICLE III THE MAYOR</p> <p>SECTION 3.04 EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS.</p> <p>In order to keep Gahanna citizens fully informed about the functioning and activities of the city's government, the Mayor would be required to present a public State of the City address on an annual basis.</p> <p>SECTION 3.07 VACANCY This change clarifies that vacancies in the position of Mayor are only to be filled at the next municipal election as opposed to the next general election for state and federal officials.</p>

EXHIBIT A

as otherwise provided in this Charter, the Mayor may remove any employee for whose appointment the Mayor is responsible. The Mayor shall execute on behalf of the Municipality all authorized contracts, conveyances, evidences of indebtedness, and all other instruments to which the Municipality is a party, and shall, where required, attach thereto the official seal of the Mayor's office. The Mayor or the Mayor's designee shall execute the purchasing function for the City. (Amended Nov. 7, 2006.)

SECTION 3.07 VACANCY.

In the event of death, resignation, recall, or removal of the Mayor, the President of Council, Vice President of Council, or any member of Council designated by the majority vote of Council, in that order, shall become the Mayor, to serve until the certification of results by the Board of Elections of the next election or for the balance of the unexpired term, whichever occurs first, and his/her office as Councilperson shall become thereby vacant; provided that if the Mayoral vacancy occurs within ninety (90) days of the next election and the Mayoral position is not already on the ballot in that election, the new Mayor shall serve until the certification by the Board of Elections of the results of the next following election or for the balance of the unexpired term, whichever occurs first. The salary of the Mayor for the balance of the term shall be that established by the ordinance for the term as provided in this Charter.

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THE MAYOR SHALL PRESENT AN ANNUAL STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF EVERY CALENDAR YEAR. SAID ADDRESS SHALL NOT BE PRESENTED AT A COUNCIL MEETING BUT SHALL BE PRESENTED AT A TIME AND PLACE DETERMINED BY THE MAYOR WITH NOTIFICATION TO THE PUBLIC. (Amended Nov. 7, 2006.)

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