



Legislation Text

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TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORATE AN AMENDMENT TO THE GAHANNA CITY CHARTER PERTAINING TO POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Gahanna Charter Review Commission has made recommendation to City Council that a change be made to Sections 5.13, Police Department, 5.14, Fire Department and 5.15, Rules for Government of Police and Fire Departments, Article V, Administrative Departments, of the Gahanna City Charter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the question of an amendment to the Charter of the City of Gahanna, which is deemed to be in the best interest of the citizens of Gahanna be submitted to the electors of the City of Gahanna at the next regular general election so that, as amended, the same shall read as follows on EXHIBIT A, attached hereto and made a part hereof as if fully written herein.

Section 2. That the Clerk shall make available to the Board of Elections sufficient copies of this text so as to have one copy per precinct in all voting places within the City of Gahanna.

Section 3. That this amendment be digested on the voting machine with the following language:

Shall Sections 5.13, Police Department, 5.14, Fire Department and 5.15, Rules for Government of Police and Fire Departments, of Article V, Administrative Departments, be amended to meet Civil Service Requirements, identify all fire departments that service the city.

For _____

Against _____

Section 4. That the Board of Elections of Franklin County, Ohio, be and it is hereby directed to give public notice of the time and place of holding such election shall be given by publication of notice thereof at least ten (10) days prior to the day of such election in a newspaper published and of general circulation in the City of Gahanna.

Section 5. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to publish the full text of the proposed Charter amendment as set forth in EXHIBIT A, attached hereto and made a part hereof as if fully rewritten herein, once a week for not less than two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality, with the first publication being at least fifteen (15) days prior to the election, all in accordance with Section 9 of Article XVIII, Ohio Constitution, and Section 731.211(B), Ohio Revised Code, and that the Clerk is directed to verify a copy of this resolution to the Board of Elections within the time period prescribed by Section 8 of Article XVIII, Ohio Constitution.

Section 6. That the Board of Elections is hereby authorized to place the digest shown in Section 3 above, within the voting machine at a special election to be held on the date of the general election, Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

Section 7. That language to the effect that a majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage be digested on the voting machine.

Section 8. That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to do any and all things necessary to ensure that the issues are placed on the ballot in conformance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Ohio and the Charter of the City of Gahanna.

Section 9. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.