

June 1, 2023

RULES COMMITTEE

June 5, 2023

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AGENDA

1. Consider **Resolution No. 23-55** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 11.05 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
2. Other items at the discretion of the Chair

BY: _____

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 11.05 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Charter for the City of Newark, Ohio, in addition to the appointment of the Mandatory Charter Review Commission every five years, allows Council at any time to appoint by three-fourths (3/4ths) majority votes, a Discretionary Charter Review Commission consisting of five (5) electors of the City; and,

WHEREAS, a Discretionary Charter Review Commission appointed by Council shall submit a final report and shall be dissolved prior to the date upon which a Mandatory Charter Review Commission is appointed; and,

WHEREAS, a Discretionary Charter Review Commission cannot be appointed until a Mandatory Charter Review Commission is dissolved and the members released from the respective appointment; and,

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Charter Review Commission was appointed in 2022 and has been dissolved and the members have been released from their respective appointment; and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Council to appoint a Discretionary Charter Review Commission for review of the City Charter, and;

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the City Council of the City of Newark, Ohio to appoint such Charter Review Commission from the qualified electors of the City of Newark, Ohio; and,

WHEREAS, this matter is declared to be an emergency for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of Newark in order to meet the filing deadline of the Board of Elections in anticipation of recommended changes.

WHEREAS, this issue was considered and approved by the City Council Rules Committee at the regularly scheduled meeting thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, COUNTY OF LICKING AND STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1: Council shall appoint five (5) qualified electors of the City of Newark, no more than three (3) of whom may be of the same political affiliation, to the Discretionary Charter Review Commission.

SECTION 2: The Discretionary Charter Review Commission shall review the Charter of the City of Newark and recommend to Council such alterations, revisions, and amendments, if any, as in its judgment are desirable and that such recommendations shall be made to Council on or before July 3, 2023.

SECTION 3: This matter is declared to be an emergency for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of Newark in order to meet the filing deadline of the Board of Elections in anticipation of recommended changes.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

CLERK OF COUNCIL

DATE FILED WITH MAYOR: _____

DATE APPROVED BY MAYOR: _____

MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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