

DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY

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RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS: Art. 8 (Planning and Financial Procedures),

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RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION:

RELEVANT LAW(S):

ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT: Should the Charter Revision process create or maintain critical oversight departments and/or agencies, the city should develop a base funding level for the oversight agencies. The base funding should be a proportionate or ratio amount of the total budget of the General Fund appropriation of any given average of five years.

RATIONALE: **Proportional funding for critical elements of government to encourage balance of power, appropriate investigations and systematic service improvements.** To insure that the strong-mayor-weak council pattern of government protects the interests of the city, the Mayor and the Council should not have the ability to raid or reduce governmental support for critical oversight departments and agencies.

ANALYSIS:

DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:

NOTES: