

**DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION**

**PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY**

**ISSUE NUMBER:** GOS 161

**ISSUE CATEGORY:** Government Operations & Structure

**SOURCE:** Janice Winfrey, City Clerk

**RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS:** §3-101 (City Elections)

Letter, dated December 17, 2010

**RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION:**

**RELEVANT LAW(S):**

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**ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT:** Vacancies in office of Mayor to be filled by succession under §5-109 and unexpired term to be filled at next general election held not sooner than 180 days after occurrence of vacancy. [This proposed revision is suggested to be incorporated into new section 3.5-105 (City Elections)].

**RATIONALE:** “The City should move away from the need to call for special elections. Vacancies should be filled by appointment until the next scheduled elections. Also, a distinction must be made between how executive and legislative vacancies are to be filled.”-*Janice Winfrey, City Clerk, Letter, dated December 17, 2010.*

**ANALYSIS:**

**DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:**

**NOTES:** See full text of City Clerk’s proposed revisions under “Proposed Revisions” tab.