

DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY

ISSUE NUMBER: GOS 192

ISSUE CATEGORY: Government Operations & Structure

SOURCE: Mayor Bing Administration

RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS: §2-103 (Oath of Office)

Letter, Rec'd December 21, 2010

RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION:

RELEVANT LAW(S):

ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT: Require City officers swear an oath to support the Detroit City Charter.

Sec. 2-103. Oath of office.

Every elective officer and every appointee before entering on official duties shall take and subscribe the following oath before the Detroit City Clerk: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this state and the Detroit City Charter, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of office to the best of my ability;" ~~And shall file that oath, duly certified by the officer before whom it was taken, in the office of the city clerk. The original of the oath shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk and a copy provided to the elective officer or the appointee.~~

RATIONALE: *"During City Council's attempt to remove former Mayor Kwame M. Kilpatrick, it was discovered that City elective officers are not required to swear or affirm that they will support the Detroit City Charter. The proposed change will remedy this omission."-Bing Administration, Letter, December 21, 2010.*

ANALYSIS:

DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:

NOTES: