

DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY

ISSUE NUMBER: GOS 65

ISSUE CATEGORY: Government Operations & Structure

SOURCE: City Council,

RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS: §4-20_ ([Auditor General] Vacancy)

Letter dated December 2, 2010

(New Provisions)

RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION:

RELEVANT LAW(S):

ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT: Allow City Council to fill a vacancy in office of Auditor General within sixty (60) days of the vacancy, for a full term.

Sec. 4-20 Vacancy (New Provision)If a vacancy occurs in the office of auditor general, the city council shall, within sixty (60) days, fill the office for a full term.

RATIONALE: “These provisions [i.e. 4-20_, 4-201, 4-204, 4-206, 4-304] are being offered as an attempt to harmonize the powers of the ombudsperson’s office and the auditor general’s office. The auditor general has expressed concern regarding the difficulty in filling staff positions in an efficient manner. This proposed section 4-204 would give the office more flexibility in hiring staff.

“The Charter Revision Commission may wish to consider adding a provision requiring that city council determine these officials’ pay rate within the same pay grade. Currently, section 4-304 requires that the ombudsperson’s salary is equal to that of the auditor general.”-*City Council’s Rationale, Letter, dated December 13, 2010.*

ANALYSIS:

DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:

NOTES: