

DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION
PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY

ISSUE NUMBER: GOS 225

ISSUE CATEGORY: Government Operations & Structure

SOURCE: Mayor Bing Administration
Letter, dated December 20, 2010

RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS: §4-402 ([Planning Commission]
Powers and Duties)

RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION:

RELEVANT LAW(S):

ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT: Clarify the limited role and functions of the City Planning Commission and expressly prohibit any action on matters within the jurisdiction of the Executive Branch.

ARTICLE 4. THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

CHAPTER 4. CITY PLANNING COMMISSION.

Sec. 4-402. Powers and duties.

The City Planning Commission shall advise the City Council on zoning matters and on development matters as defined in Section 6-204 of this Charter, ~~and perform other functions as directed by the city council any matter.~~ but is not authorized to take any action on a matter that is under the jurisdiction of the Executive Branch of City Government. Any resolution adopted by the Commission is advisory and shall not be binding until adoption of the resolution by the City Council.

RATIONALE: *“Since adoption of the 1997 Detroit City Charter, the City Planning Commission staff has been directed by the City Council to handle matters, such as the licensing of adult entertainers, which is outside the Body’s jurisdiction. The change in this section clarifies that the City Planning Commission and its staff have limited jurisdiction and may not implement programs, services, and activities.”* -Mayor Bing Administration, Letter, dated December 20, 2010.

ANALYSIS:

DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:

NOTES: