

DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY

ISSUE NUMBER: GOS 2

ISSUE CATEGORY: Government Operation & Structure

SOURCE: Reginald Cunningham

RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS: §4-103 (Selection of Council President)

9/21/09 Email to Blount

RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION:

RELEVANT LAW(S):

ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT: Allow City Council to elect its leaders/officers (i.e. President and President Pro Tem)

RATIONALE:

ANALYSIS: Under the present charter the President and President Pro Tem are selected based on the candidates who receive the highest and next highest number of at-large votes, respectively. 4-103. In the past, since all members ran at-large all candidates had an equal chance at being selected for the leadership positions. However, with the recent decision to select seven (7) Council members by district and two at-large, assures that the President and President Pro Tem will be selected from candidates running for the two (2) at-large seats.

DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:

NOTES: See Historical Analysis dated April 23, 2010 entitled "*Brief Charter Review of History of Selection of Council by District; Size of Council; and Election of President and President Pro Tem*".
