AD HOC CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

LIST OF PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS APPROVED BY
THE CITY COUNCIL

ARTICLE II SECTION 2.1 A – CITY ELECTIONS – to evaluate the date of Municipal Elections

ARTICLE II SECTION 2.1B – OFFICERS ELECTED – to remove the 10-year cap by stating that the two four-year terms are not impacted when a Council member is filling an unexpired term

ARTICLE II SECTION 2.4 A – NUMBER OF DISTRICTS – to replace the language as follows: At such time when the results of a decennial United States census show the population of the City to be “one million nine hundred thousand or more, the Council may take appropriate action to increase the number of District Representatives from eight to ten nine.”

ARTICLE II SECTION 2.4B DISTRICTING COMMISSION – to look at an independent districting committee process

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.1 – CREATION: COMPOSITION; POWERS AND DUTIES – to allow each Representative the discretion and full authority to employ 2 full-time employees

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.1 – CREATION: COMPOSITION; POWERS AND DUTIES – to replace the language as follows: Each Representative shall have the discretion and sole authority to appoint and remove a legislative aide Chief of Staff …

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.2 – CITY COUNCIL SALARIES – to prevent a decrease in income, as it is tied to El Paso County’s median household income according to HUD; include Council members across the board increases to City employees

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.5 A – CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS – to allow Council to adjust for emergency or City holidays

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.5 A – CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS – to allow less than a majority to call special meetings

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.9 – CLEAN-UP REGARDING PRINTED COPIES OF CITY ORDINANCES – to have copies of all ordinances available electronically
ARTICLE III SECTION 3.10 B – EMERGENCY ORDINANCES – to align to State Law that requires 1-hour notice for the introduction of Emergency Ordinances

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.11 INITIATIVE – review the initiative petition process for benchmarking purposes

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.11A REFERENDUM – to allow for a referendum regarding ordinances imposing a fee for maintenance of City rights of way and allows for a referendum using best practices."

ARTICLE III SECTION 3.18 – LEASE; FRANCHISE; AND CONVEYANCE – to make it more transparent, identify which real estate transactions are by resolution, such as easement under $50,000, certain leases, and review any other transactions that are allowed

ARTICLE IV SECTION 4.1 B POWERS OF THE MAYOR – to clarify the role of intergovernmental relationships, and review “break tie votes” to allow the Mayor to vote on all matters before the City Council

ARTICLE VI – CIVIL SERVICE REVIEW – to streamline, clarify and update processes

ARTICLE VI SECTION 6.2-2 K UNCLASSIFIED SERVICES – to replace the language as follows: A person hired solely as a District Representative’s legislative aide Chief of Staff or other district employees for a limited period of the term of office for that District Representative