

DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION
PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY

ISSUE NUMBER: GOS 1

ISSUE CATEGORY: Government Operation & Structure

SOURCE: Citizen Email to Blount

RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS: Article 4, Chapter 1 (City Council); 2-108 (Pay Plans)

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RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION: Art. III, Div. 2 **RELEVANT LAW(S):** MCL 117.5(c)

(Elected Officials Compensation Commission)

2-3-16 et al.

ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT: Allow voters to approve all raises for City Council

RATIONALE:

ANALYSIS: The method for determining salaries of local officials is established by the Home Rule City Act and has been incorporated into the City of Detroit's Charter. Currently the salary of City Council is determined by the Elected Officials Compensation Commission as set forth by city ordinance. The Commission is composed of seven (7) city residents appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. Excluded from serving on the Commission are employees of the judicial, legislative and executive branches of government and immediate family members of such employees. The Commission meets every odd numbered year and are required to make its determination on salaries within forty-five (45) calendar days of its first meeting.

The determination made by the Commission on the salary of elected officials becomes effective thirty (30) days after filing it with the clerk, unless rejected by a 2/3 votes of members serving on City Council. If rejected the existing salary is maintained.

DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:

NOTES: