

DETROIT CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION
PROPOSAL/ISSUE REVIEW SUMMARY

ISSUE NUMBER: GOS 223

ISSUE CATEGORY: Government Operations & Structure

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

RELATED CHARTER SECTIONS: §4-113 (Prohibition on Interference
in Administration)

RELEVANT ORDINANCE SECTION:

RELEVANT LAW(S):

ISSUE/PROPOSAL STATEMENT: Clarify that prohibition on interference extends to resolutions. Various grammatical and clarity changes.

ARTICLE 4. THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

CHAPTER 1. CITY COUNCIL

Sec. 4-113. Prohibition on interference in Administration.

Except for purposes of inquiries and investigations, the City Council, as a Body, or its members, individually, shall deal with City ~~officers~~ appointees and employees who are subject to the direction and supervision of the Mayor solely through the Mayor, and neither the City Council, as a Body, nor its members, individually, shall give verbal or written orders to any such ~~officer~~ appointee or employee, ~~either publicly or privately~~ including through adoption of any resolution.

RATIONALE: *“As a strong-Mayor form of municipal government, the City Council is required under all circumstances, except for inquiries and investigations, to make all requests of Executive Branch appointees and employees only through the Mayor. This change clarifies that the prohibition extends to City Council resolutions.”* -Mayor Bing Administration, Letter, dated December 20, 2010.

ANALYSIS:

DISPOSITION/COMMISSION ACTION:

NOTES: