



**Agenda Sheet for City Council Meeting of:**  
12/04/2023

<b>Date Rec'd</b>	11/22/2023
<b>Clerk's File #</b>	RES 2023-0106
<b>Renews #</b>	
<b>Cross Ref #</b>	
<b>Project #</b>	
<b>Bid #</b>	
<b>Requisition #</b>	

<b>Submitting Dept</b>	CITY COUNCIL
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<b>Agenda Item Type</b>	Resolutions
<b>Agenda Item Name</b>	0320 - RESOLUTION RESCINDING PRIOR RESOLUTION 2023-0043

**Agenda Wording**

A resolution rescinding prior Resolution 2023-0043 referring a matter to the voters of the City of Spokane, and directing the City Clerk to advise the Spokane County Clerk to remove the proposition from the February 13, 2024, ballot, and calling for

**Summary (Background)**

The attached resolution would repeal Resolution 2023-0043. In lieu of a proposition to change the city charter specifically with respect to the redistricting provisions, the resolution calls for creation of a "City Charter Review Committee" to review the charter and make recommendations for technical corrections and substantive changes to the City Charter, in anticipation of consideration by the city voters in November 2024.

Lease? NO	Grant related? NO	Public Works? NO
<b>Fiscal Impact</b>		<b>Budget Account</b>

Neutral	\$	#
Select	\$	#
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<b>Approvals</b>		<b>Council Notifications</b>	
<b>Dept Head</b>	BYRD, GIACOBBE	<b>Study Session\Other</b>	11/27 PIES
<b>Division Director</b>		<b>Council Sponsor</b>	CP Kinnear and CM Zappone
<b>Finance</b>		<b>Distribution List</b>	
<b>Legal</b>		gbyrd@spokanecity.org	
<b>For the Mayor</b>			
<b>Additional Approvals</b>			
<b>Purchasing</b>			

## Committee Agenda Sheet

### Public Infrastructure, Environment & Sustainability Committee

<b>Submitting Department</b>	City Council
<b>Contact Name</b>	Chris Wright
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<b>Council Sponsor(s)</b>	CM Zappone and CP Kinnear
<b>Select Agenda Item Type</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion     Time Requested: 10
<b>Agenda Item Name</b>	Resolution repealing Resolution 2023-0043 regarding redistricting provisions in the City Charter, and calling for the creation of a City Charter Review Committee
<b>Summary (Background)</b>  *use the Fiscal Impact box below for relevant financial information	<p>On July 24 the City Council adopted Resolution 2023-0043, requesting the Spokane County Auditor hold a special election in conjunction with the scheduled election on February 13, 2024, to submit a proposition for amendments to the Spokane City Charter relating to the city council redistricting process.</p> <p>The attached resolution would repeal Resolution 2023-0043. In lieu of a proposition to change the city charter specifically with respect to the redistricting provisions, the resolution calls for creation of a “City Charter Review Committee” to review the charter and make recommendations for technical corrections and substantive changes to the City Charter, in anticipation of consideration by the city voters in November 2024. .</p> <p>To ensure the redistricting proposal does not appear on the February 13, 2024 ballot, it must be adopted by the City Council and delivered to the Spokane County Auditor no later than December 15, 2023.</p>
<b>Proposed Council Action</b>	Adoption of Resolution Repealing Resolution 2023-0043
<b>Fiscal Impact</b> Total Cost: <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a> Approved in current year budget? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A  Funding Source <input type="checkbox"/> One-time <input type="checkbox"/> Recurring Specify funding source: <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a>  Expense Occurrence <input type="checkbox"/> One-time <input type="checkbox"/> Recurring  Other budget impacts: (revenue generating, match requirements, etc.)	
<b>Operations Impacts (If N/A, please give a brief description as to why) N/A</b>	
What impacts would the proposal have on historically excluded communities?  Communities will be represented in the Charter Review Process and historically excluded communities will participate in the process. The City Council Equity Subcommittee will also be included.	

How will data be collected, analyzed, and reported concerning the effect of the program/policy by racial, ethnic, gender identity, national origin, income level, disability, sexual orientation, or other existing disparities?

N/A

How will data be collected regarding the effectiveness of this program, policy, or product to ensure it is the right solution?

The Charter Review process will include various stakeholders that will provide input.

Describe how this proposal aligns with current City Policies, including the Comprehensive Plan, Sustainability Action Plan, Capital Improvement Program, Neighborhood Master Plans, Council Resolutions, and others?

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he City of Tacoma implemented a Charter Review process that takes place every 10 years to ensure that the Charter is up to date and in alignment with changing policies, and make recommendations to the City Council who will determine which recommendations to forward to the voters. This resolution calls for a process following that example.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0106

A resolution rescinding prior Resolution 2023-0043 referring a matter to the voters of the City of Spokane, and directing the City Clerk to advise the Spokane County Clerk to remove the proposition from the February 13, 2024, ballot, and calling for creation of a City Charter Review Committee.

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2023, the city council adopted resolution 2023-0043, a resolution requesting the Spokane County Auditor hold a special election in conjunction with the scheduled special election on February 13, 2024, to submit to the electors of the City of Spokane a proposition regarding amendments to the Spokane City Charter adding a new section 62 and repealing sections 59 and 60, all relating to the city council redistricting process; and

WHEREAS, there has not been a comprehensive review of the Spokane City Charter since creation of a City Charter Review Committee in 2008; and

WHEREAS, it is customary in other jurisdictions to review their charters every ten years for technical inconsistencies and substantive corrections; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to repeal Resolution 2023-0043 to allow for more comprehensive review of technical and substantive provisions of the Spokane City Charter, in anticipation of referral of such changes to the voters of Spokane for consideration in November 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Spokane that Resolution 2023-0043 is repealed, effective immediately, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Spokane County Auditor no later than December 15, 2023;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council requests that there be convened a "City Charter Review Committee" consisting of City Council members, senior administration officials, and community stakeholders to review the City Charter and make recommendations for technical and substantive changes to the City Charter no later than July 1, 2024, in anticipation of referral of such changes to the voters of Spokane for consideration in November 2024.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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City Clerk