

Motion to be Made:

Proposal 1: Move to recommend that the following language --- pending approval from the Council --- shall be included for The Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices within the City Charter:

Proposal 2: Move to recommend that the following policy recommendations be furthered analyzed by entities below...

- (a) Revamp of City webpage pertaining to Council and Mayoral Elections (City Clerk's Office);
- (b) Assessing the feasibility of implementing a Small-Donor Matching Funds system (Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices); and
- (c) Assessing and recommending strategies that address historical disenfranchisement (Board of Fair Campaign and Political Practices).

Section 1002. Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission

There shall be, and is thereby established, a Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission. The following provisions shall be applicable thereto:

- (a) **MEMBERSHIP.** The commission shall consist of five (5) members. Members shall be appointed by no less than two-thirds (2/3) vote of the city council. Members of the commission shall be selected by the same procedure of application and public interview which is utilized for the Planning Commission.
- (b) **TERMS OF OFFICE.** Except as provided herein below, members of the commission may serve up to two (2) four (4)-year terms for a maximum of eight (8) years. Terms of members will expire in years in which there are no regular municipal elections. A member may be appointed to a term of less than four (4) years if the Council determines that it is in the best interest of the Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission that the member serve a shorter term in order to provide for appropriate staggered terms to preserve a continuity of membership on the commission. A member who is appointed to serve an unexpired term will serve to the end of the former incumbent's term. If a member has been appointed to serve a term of less than two (2) years, the member may be reappointed to serve on the Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission for up to two (2) consecutive additional terms.
- (c) **SPECIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.** Each member of the Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission must be a qualified elector of the city and have some demonstrated familiarity and experience with campaign laws. Membership should be representative of the community. No member will be employed by the city or have any direct and substantial financial interest in any business, work or official action taken by the city. While serving on the Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission, no member will hold any elected public office. No member will participate as a candidate in any election to public office for a period of one (1) year both before and after tenure on the commission. Furthermore, no member will publicly endorse any candidate for city

office nor engage in any political or campaign activity on behalf of any candidate for city office. While serving on the Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission, no member will be employed by or have any contractual relationship with any candidate for city office.

- (d) **VACANCIES.** The office of a member shall become vacant upon the happening before the expiration of his or her term of any of the events set forth in subsections (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l) of Section 409 of this Charter. Also, the Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission may remove a member from office by two-thirds (2/3) vote at any time for misconduct, inefficiency or willful neglect in the performance of the duties of his or her office providing it first states in writing the reasons for such removal and gives such member an opportunity to be heard before the Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission in his or her own defense. If a vacancy occurs before the expiration of a member's term, the Council shall appoint a qualified person to fill such vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term of such member. Such appointments should be made within sixty (60) days from the date of vacancy.
- (e) **POWERS AND DUTIES.** The Fair Campaign and Political Practices Commission shall have the following powers and duties:
- (1) Monitor compliance with all campaign and ethics ordinances in Chapter 12.04 of the Municipal Code.
 - (2) Review and investigate allegations of violations of Title 12 of the Municipal Code and take enforcement action where appropriate.
 - (3) Make recommendations to the Council with regard to campaign and ethics violations, along with campaign and ethics policies. These include --- but are not limited to --- addressing matters on campaign finance reform and historical disenfranchisement.
 - (4) Settle challenges to commission decisions in accordance with Section 4.24.050 of Title 4 of the Municipal Code.
 - (5) To exercise and perform such other powers and duties as are expressly given to it by other provision of this Charter; and to exercise such other powers and perform such other functions and duties as may be prescribed by the Council not inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter.